



City of Auburn Parks, Arts & Recreation Parks & Recreation Board



Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 9, 2015

5:30 p.m.

Auburn Senior Activity Center, Rotary Room

I. Call to Order

Members present were Chair Michael Hassen and board members Greg Dobbs and Vicki Gilthvedt. Department staff present were Parks Director Daryl Faber, Parks Planning & Development Manager Jamie Kelly and Parks Secretary Julie Mehl.

II. Minutes

The previous minutes are not approved as there is no quorum.

III. Committee Member Input

IV. Correspondence/Public Input

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

VII. Department Report (Faber / Kelly)

The Les Gove Community Campus bid came in \$750,000 under budget. A street will connect the White River Valley Museum to Auburn Youth Resources. The entrance to the library may be moved 30' to the north to give a marketplace feel. We must keep the same amount of parking spots, will add an ADA ramp. We are considering sidewalks on H St SE so citizens can walk or bicycle from Auburn High School to the Campus. Lighting will be added throughout the Les Gove Community Campus. (Faber)

Green River Park Property at the base of Lea Hill has been transferred to the City from King County and Washington State as of last week. We will be cleaning up the area and putting together a long range plan. (Faber)

Deferred Maintenance Study – Bob Droll (Landscape Architect) is involved in completing the study which includes organizing & prioritizing parks updates for the Parks Plan update. This plan gives us the ability to apply for various grants. The deadline is early October for the draft, review with Park Board then on to City Council meeting in November. (Kelly)

Summer camp numbers were up from last year, the climbing wall was very busy. Teen Trip Thing and Movin' On Up sold out nearly every week. Daycamp and Sports Camp numbers were strong. We have been integrating special needs kids into summer camps. One or two days per week will be with special needs kids and three days will be with non-special kids only. Summer camps are fun, active and fast paced. (Faber)

Vegetation management is underway at Cedar Lanes Park. We are removing understory so homeless folks can no longer hide out. There are drug houses in that area contributing to the problem. (Kelly)

West Hill Lake – A volunteer group may begin to clean up understory at West Hill Lake property. Will need parking to access from west side.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Approved this ____ Day of _____, 2015

Michael Hassen, Chair

Daryl Faber, Director