CITY OF WOODLAND
PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 15, 2012

The regular meeting of the Woodland Park Board was held on August 15, 2012, at the Port of Woodland, 115 Davidson Avenue, Woodland, WA 98674.

Chair Hammons called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. Roll call found the following:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Virginia Allen
Mike Curry
Brad Hammons, Chair
Mark Haskins, Vice-Chair (Absent)
Karen Huddleston

MAYOR/COUNCIL:

Al Swindell
John Burke (Arrived Late)
Susan Humbyrd

STAFF:

Jody Bartkowski, Engineering Tech
Bart Stepp, Public Works Director

MINUTES

The June 2012 minutes were reviewed and approved as presented. The July meeting was cancelled.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Council Action.** Staff reported that Veteran's Appreciation Day was approved as presented and that the Lewis River Fall Fest agenda was modified to include a car show. Lewis River Fall Fest is being arranged by the Rotary Club of Woodland and will benefit the Scott Hill Park and Sports Complex.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- **Scott Hill Park and Sports Complex.** Bart Stepp, Public Works Director, explained expenses to date relating to the sale of the house at 310 Scott Hill Road. Proceeds from the sale will go to pay off the interfund loan for the purchase of parkland and support the Park and Recreation fund for 2012. City Council will take action to surplus the home and then list it for sale with realtor.

  Sandy Larson, Rotary Club of Woodland and Hilltop Park Ad Hoc Committee, reported that the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is being re-reviewed by the Rotary and that the Fun Run was completed. The Fun Run will be held again in 2013 and the Rotary is taking suggestions on how to improve the event for next year. Discussion ensued regarding advertising (web sites and flyers), runner and traffic concerns, stations, food, and participation.

  Horseshoe Lake Management Committee (HSLMC). Boardmember Mike Curry reported that the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is scheduled to begin water quality testing the first week of September, that visibility is at

six- to eight-feet, that the pump is maintaining the current water level but only running at approximately 1,200 GPM, and on the goose problem at the east end of Horseshoe Lake Park. Discussion ensued regarding the potential application of a geese repellant. The Board requested that Mr. Curry continue researching details and costs for geese repellant and report back.

- **Budget 2013**. Bart Stepp reported that the 2013 draft budget recommendations include eliminating watering at all parks, retaining two full time five month temporary park workers, and no student hires. Other maintenance expenses are status quo including $1,200 for another year of baseline water quality testing at Horseshoe Lake by the WDFW with HSLMC volunteers. There is an additional $2,000 request for electrical work and the installation of automatic locks to close the public restroom at night due to vandalism and cleaning issues. If the house at 310 Scott Avenue sells for what is anticipated the estimated ending fund balance is expected to carry the Park and Recreation Department through the end of 2013 with no additional cuts.

OTHER

Boy Scout / Eagle Scout Projects. Staff presented photos of the completed benches and reported that one was vandalized. Discussion ensued regarding options for replacing the stolen boards and what could be done with the bolts so that additional boards cannot be removed.

Community Garden. John Stark spoke regarding the status of the Community Garden and plans for 2012. Discussion ensued regarding soil preparation, coordinating with the school plant sale, and recent late growing seasons. The Board chose to postpone a decision until the next regular meeting.

Swimming Pool Update. Bart Stepp reported that a decision was issued, that no appeals have been received to date, and that if the site plan is approved a process for relocating Park Road will go through City Council sometime in October-November. Board and staff discussed the effect on Horseshoe Lake Park, funding, alternate locations, and YMCA participation.

October 17, 2012 Meeting Location. Staff reported that the regularly scheduled October 17, 2012 meeting will be held at the Woodland Community Center at 782 Park Street due to a scheduling conflict.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 19, 2012, in the Port of Woodland's Community Room.

Minutes approved: 9/19/12

Jody Bartkowski 9/20/12

Jody Bartkowski, Park Board Secretary Date