

CITY OF WOODLAND
PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JULY 17, 2013

The regular meeting of the Woodland Park Board was held on July 17, 2013, at the Port of Woodland, 115 Davidson Avenue, Woodland, WA 98674.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:08 p.m. Roll call found the following:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Virginia Allen
Mike Curry
Brad Hammons, Chairperson (Absent)
Karen Huddleston, Vice-Chairperson
Adonica Simpson

MAYOR/COUNCIL:

Al Swindell
John Burke (Absent)
Susan Humbyrd (Absent)

STAFF:

Jody Bartkowski, Engineering Technician
Bart Stepp, Public Works Director

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Vice-Chairperson. Discussion ensued regarding appointment procedures and terms.

Boardmember Allen moved to recommend that Karen Huddleston be assigned the position of Vice-Chairperson. Boardmember Curry seconded the recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

The May 15, 2013 minutes were approved as presented. The June 19, 2013 meeting was previously cancelled.

PRESENTATION

City Councilmember Al Swindell reviewed a "*Tobacco Free Parks and Recreation Areas to Promote Health and Wellness in Cowlitz County*" flyer and provided additional information about the program. Discussion ensued regarding the clean-up of cigarette butts, lake contamination, odor, smoking sections, and inclusion of all City of Woodland parks including Horseshoe Lake and the skate park.

Boardmember Allen moved to recommend that City Council pass an ordinance to have smoke free parks in Woodland. Boardmember Curry seconded the recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- **Alcohol in City Parks.** Bart Stepp and Al Swindell reported that City Council took action to allow alcohol in Horseshoe Lake Park for special events with advance permission.
- **Scott Hill Park and Sports Complex.** Sandy Larson, Rotary Club of Woodland and Hilltop Park Ad Hoc Committee member presented a brochure distributed at Planter's Days and reported on the approved Memorandum of Understanding, fundraising, estimated conceptual design costs, and parking.
- **Horseshoe Lake Management.** Boardmember Curry reported that the Lake is approximately 2" below full (4" above last year), clarity is good, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife contact is on leave, pump is doing the best it can, and that the airport valve to the outlet structure is completely shut.

Discussion ensued regarding the percentage of locals vs. out of town folks using the lake, increased use of the lake for canoeing, kayaking, paddle boarding, etc., and homeowners policing the lake.

- **Budget 2013.** Discussion ensued regarding the current state of the budget, impact fee revenue exceeding expectations, appropriate uses for impact fee funds, CDBG funding levels for the Horseshoe Lake Path, the use of extra funds generated by allowing alcohol in City Parks, and Lewis River Fall Fest's intention to donate a percentage of their profits for the development of Scott Hills Park & Sports Complex.

Further discussion was held regarding the new La Center Spray Park, previous action taken to build a similar water feature at Horseshoe Lake Park, and the difference between the Horseshoe Lake Trail (through town and around the Lake) and the Horseshoe Lake Path (from Hoffmann Plaza along the water to the Skate Park).

OTHER

Bees Along South Pekin – The bee population appears to be decreasing. Discussion was held regarding jurisdiction, relocation of bees, and the process of moving hives.

ADJOURNMENT

Discussion was held regarding attendance at the August meeting, Mike Curry and Adonica Simpson are not available. The meeting will be cancelled if a quorum cannot be met.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21, 2013, at the Port of Woodland.

Minutes approved: September 18, 2013



Jody Bartkowski, Park Board Secretary

9/19/13

Date