



**RIDGEFIELD PARKS BOARD
MEETING AGENDA**

**Wednesday, November 8, 2023
RACC - Columbia Assembly Room
510 Pioneer Street, Ridgefield, WA 98642**

I. GENERAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM

- 1. Flag Salute**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Late changes to the agenda**

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

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III. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Minutes from the October 11, 2023 Meeting**

IV. PRESENTATION

- 1. Watershed Alliance and City of Ridgefield Partnership Update - Sunrise O'Mahoney, Watershed Alliance of Southwest Washington**

V. BUSINESS

- 1. Notification of Parks Board Officer Elections at the December 13th, 2023 Parks Board Meeting - Corey Crownhart, Park Manager**

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VII. STAFF REPORTS

1. Update on Abrams Park Master Plan - Corey Crownhart, Park Manager
2. Update on Waterfront Park Master Plan - Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

VIII. FROM THE BOARD

IX. ADJOURN

**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD
REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

MEETING DATE: November 8, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NAME: Approval of Minutes from the October 11, 2023 Meeting

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

STAFF CONTACT:

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Parks Board Minutes 10.11.23



**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON
PARKS BOARD MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 11, 2023**

Regular Meeting - 6:30 PM

I. GENERAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM

- 1. Flag Salute**
- 2. Roll Call**

Present:

Chair Rian Davis
Board Member Brigid Taylor
Board Member Alex Earl
Board Member Sarah Scott
Board Member Whitney Randall
Board Member Sandy Schill

Excused: Vice Chair Beth Bicknell

- 3. Late changes to the agenda**

None.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

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III. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Minutes from the September 13, 2023 Meeting**

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Board Member Sandy Schill
SECONDER:	Board Member Brigid Taylor
AYES:	Board Member Taylor, Chair Davis, Board Member Schill, Board Member Scott, Board Member Randall, Board Member Earl

IV. BUSINESS

1. Meet and Greet with New Parks Manager - Corey Crownhart - Chuck Green, Public Works Director

Chuck Green introduced Corey Crownhart as the new Parks Manager for the City of Ridgefield. He comes to us from the Idaho Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs. Corey is committed to fostering inclusive environments through effective leadership and collaborative initiatives. He is excited to engage with the community and the Parks Board to foster communication and further connectivity to the parks.

2. ADA Transition And Access/Mobility Plan Initiative - Chuck Green, Public Works Director

Chuck shared the ADA Transition and Access/Mobility Plan Initiative with the Parks Board. The initiative is being implemented over the next six years to increase accessibility and ensure community connectivity for generations to come.

3. RCO and Other Grant Opportunities - Chuck Green, Public Works Director

Chuck shared some of the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) Grant opportunities for the 2024 grant cycle. A possible option could include looking at a different location for the Skate Park at Overlook Park below the Splash Pad instead of Davis Park.

4. Workplan 2023 Summary & Ideas for 2024 - Chuck Green, Public Works Director

Chuck shared the updated Parks Board Work Plan to include Corey as the new Parks Manager. The goal for the 2024 work plan is to focus on fewer items and see more tasks completed.

V. PRESENTATION

1. Travelog - Council/Planning Commission/Parks Board Tour - September 18, 2023

Chuck provided details surrounding the Council/Planning Commission/Parks Board Tour from last month. Stops were made at Greely Acres Park, the Boschma Farms/Clark College site, the construction site for Costco and the Union Ridge Town Center, RORC, Davis Park, and the waterfront area.

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VII. STAFF REPORTS

Chuck announced the AKS consultants are reviewing the budget for Abrams Park. The consultants for the Waterfront Park Master Plan are yet to be determined at this time.

VIII. FROM THE BOARD

None.

IX. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD
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AGENDA ITEM NAME: Watershed Alliance and City of Ridgefield Partnership Update - Sunrise O'Mahoney, Watershed Alliance of Southwest Washington

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Update of the partnership with Watershed Alliance and City of Ridgefield with Sunrise O'Mahoney from Watershed Alliance of SW Washington.

STAFF CONTACT: Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ridgefield Parks Board 2023 short



*We are a grant- and donation- funded,
community-based nonprofit*

*Our mission is to empower community
members to protect and restore southwest
Washington's waterways and natural
areas for the benefit of current and future
generations*

Our Vision for Clark County

- ◆ Southwest Washington will become known for having especially clean and healthy **lakes, rivers, and creeks**.
- ◆ These water bodies will serve as excellent fish and wildlife **habitat**, contribute to a safe and reliable source of **drinking water**, support year-round **recreation**, and increase the region's ecological and community **resilience** in the face of climate change
- ◆ The **community** will be proud of its role in safeguarding and stewarding its watersheds

What We Do

💧 Public Property Restoration

- 💧 Tree planting events
- 💧 Litter clean-up events
- 💧 Small-scale restoration projects

💧 Private Property Restoration

- 💧 Backyard Habitat Certification Program
- 💧 Riparian planting plans

💧 Education

- 💧 Outreach
- 💧 Classroom engagement with on-site riparian planting
- 💧 Environmental film series

Horns Corner

119 volunteers planted 3,785 native plants



Public/private instream and restoration project Abrams Park/Gee Creek



Volunteer planting





The Backyard Habitat Program provides support and incentives for residents who seek to restore native habitat to their backyards. We help people create yards that are healthy for people, wildlife, and the planet.

The program is offered to private residences (under one acre), as well as to schools, community groups, public institutions, and businesses.

A collaboration between **Portland Audubon** and **Columbia Land Trust**, this program is facilitated by the Watershed Alliance.

Visit **backyardhabitats.org** for more information and to sign up!

Backyard Habitat in Ridgefield

21 site visits and 4 certifications



View Ridge Middle School and Sunset Ridge Intermediate School



Outreach and education through community events

- 💧 Tabled at many events where we interacted with **over 300 people**
- 💧 Participated in the Green and Clean event **23 volunteers**
- 💧 Participated in an outreach Walk with the City of Ridgefield **16 walkers**

Spanish speakers can experience barriers to volunteering. We understand the importance of making our events as inclusive as possible. We are working to make our organization **bicultural*** in Spanish through:

Transcreation** of outreach efforts
Spanish translation available at volunteer events
Volunteer events led in Spanish
Volunteer materials in Spanish

***Bicultural** - combining two cultures and customs

****Transcreation** - adapting a message from one language to another while maintaining its intent, style, tone, and context



OUR FUTURE



How Can You Help?



- ◆ Volunteer
- ◆ Spread the word!
- ◆ Monthly e-newsletter

Upcoming Volunteer Events!

Vancouver Make a Difference Day Tree Planting

Saturday, October 28th 9:00am to 12:00pm

Ridgefield's Make a Difference Month

Saturday, November 4th 9:00am to 12:00pm

Vancouver Tree Planting

Saturday, November 18th 9:00am to 12:00pm

Ridgefield Tree Planting

Saturday, December 16th 9:00am to 12:00pm

MLK Day of Service Ivy Pull

Monday, January 15th 9:00am to 12:00pm

Vancouver Tree Planting

Saturday, January 27th 9:00am to 12:00pm

Tree Planting with WaferTech

Sunday, February 18th 9:00am to 12:00pm



Learn more about us, find more events, and register at
www.thewatershedalliance.org/events



Contact



Email: sunrise@thewatershedalliance.org

Visit our website www.thewatershedalliance.org

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MEETING DATE: November 8, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NAME: Notification of Parks Board Officer Elections at the December 13th, 2023 Parks Board Meeting

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Notification of Parks Board Officer Elections to take place December 13th Parks Board Meeting.

STAFF CONTACT: Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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AGENDA ITEM NAME: Update on Abrams Park Master Plan

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Abrams Park Master Plan Update

STAFF CONTACT: Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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AGENDA ITEM NAME: Update on Waterfront Park Master Plan

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Waterfron Park Master Plan Update.

STAFF CONTACT: Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

None