



**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON
PARKS BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 10, 2024**

Regular Meeting - 6:30 PM

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

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

Present: Board Member Brigid Taylor Chair Rian Davis Board Member Sandy Schill Board Member Sarah Scott Board Member Alex Earl	Excused: Board Member Beth Bicknell
Absent: Board Member Whitney Randall	

- 3. Late changes to the agenda**

None.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Anyone requesting to speak to the Board regarding all items not subject to a specific Public Hearing may come forward at this time. Please state your name and limit comments to three minutes. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk prior to the meeting.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Minutes from the March 13, 2024 Meeting**

Approval of the minutes from the March 13, 2024 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 Earl

IV. BUSINESS

1. Abrams Park Master Plan - Refined Concept Review - Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

Kirstie of AKS, presented the refined concepts for the Abrams Park Master Plan. The concepts focused on three principles of a user's experience: nature, environment, and safety. It also highlighted three programming themes: community connections, natural zone, and active zone. Both concepts include increasing trail connectivity and wayfinding, improving the stage/event space, increased parking and restroom availability, creating a trailhead for Mayors Meadow, and maintaining the natural zones.

Concept A retains the current field space but rearranges the configuration. It includes the potential for improving Bennett Hall and reconfiguring the softball field to regulation size. Concept B repositions Bennett Hall for increased parking. Under this option, it reduces the existing field space while increasing other sports facilities (i.e., pickleball/tennis, covered multi-use court). It also expands the seating place for organized sports and adds a T-ball field in exchange for the loss of the softball field.

MOTION: Approve the recommendation for Concept B to City Council. The motion did not receive a second.

MOTION: Approve the recommendation for Concept A to City Council with the following amendments.

- Mayor Meadow Trailhead : eliminate the roundabout and limit the footprint of the trailhead while retaining at least eight parking spaces.
- Softball Field : Allow for the design of either a t-ball or softball field, dependent on the availability of facilities in Ridgefield, the equity of sports field access, and the consultation of city partners.
- Playground/Tot Lot : inclusion for covering of the Tot Lot play structure.

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

2. 2024 Parks Board Work Plan - Quarter 1 Report - Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

A motion was made to approve the 2024 Parks Board work plan.

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

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VI. STAFF REPORTS

Corey gave thanks to those that volunteered for the Green Clean event. He also encouraged people to check out the osprey camera on YouTube that the Port of Ridgefield put up.

VII. FROM THE BOARD

None

VIII. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kim Zurcher".

Kim Zurcher, Parks Board Clerk

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rian Davis".

Rian Davis, Chair