



CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON

Parks Board MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2020

Regular Meeting - 6:30 PM

GENERAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM - [6:35 PM](#)

ROLL CALL - [6:30 PM](#)

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Rian Davis	Board Member	Present	
Beth Bicknell	Board Member	Present	
Kimberly Stenbak	Board Chair	Present	
Rachel Coker	Board Member	Present	
John Rose	Board Member	Present	
Marie Bouvier	Board Member	Present	

LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENT - [6:36 PM](#)

Chair Stenbak acknowledged two public comments that were received and forwarded to the Board.

Resident Brook Brown - asked that trash cans be placed in a couple of neighborhood parks.

Resident Bradly Wiltfong - inquired about adding trails at Abrams Park and installing a lighted crosswalk on Pioneer just south of Gee Creek Loop.

CONSENT AGENDA - [6:40 PM](#)

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Rose, Board Member
SECONDER:	Rachel Coker, Board Member
AYES:	Davis, Bicknell, Stenbak, Coker, Rose, Bouvier

1. Approval of Minutes from Tuesday, 11/10/20 Meeting

MEMBER REPORT - [6:41 PM](#)

1. Innovative Parks Presentation, Play Ground & Interpretive Signage, Beth Bicknell

Board Member Bicknell gave a presentation on a play area concept for the new Horns Corner Park. Her inspiration came from parks she visited in Europe. With the need for social distancing, it could impact the type of playground/layout we consider. One idea is a Peter Pan exploration type of layout where activities are spread out along a trail making it a whole trail type of adventure. Parents could walk with

strollers and still see their children playing. There could be unique structures for children to climb in and out of, places to run and hide, logs, rocks or other interesting shaped items to jump on, rope fences for balancing, a variety of swinging options, slides built into the side of a bank, places for kids to roll down a hill, and seating areas or promenades for picnicking that brings the community together. There are numerous ways to create interest. A design that has a more natural playground feel would be well suited for this space.

OLD BUSINESS - [7:04 PM](#)

1. 2021 Work Plan Update, Chair Stenbak

Chair Stenbak ran through a final review of this document with the Board and then asked for a motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2021 WORK PLAN AND FORWARD TO CITY COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Rose, Board Member
SECONDER:	Rachel Coker, Board Member
AYES:	Davis, Bicknell, Stenbak, Coker, Rose, Bouvier

NEW BUSINESS - [7:25 PM](#)

None

PUBLIC COMMENT - [7:25 PM](#)

None

STAFF REPORTS - [7:25 PM](#)

Public Works Update

Bryan submitted a FLAP (Federal Land Access Program) application for the remaining segment of the north part of the Gee Creek Trail from Heron Drive up to Main Avenue. And the trail that goes up to the Wild Life Refuge. Included in this grant are *two hundred and fifty thousand dollars* for pre-planning study of the pedestrian overpass that will replace the rail crossing at Division Street down to the Port. And just under *two million dollars* for final design, permitting, ROW acquisition and construction of the trail.

This week, Public Works promoted a City employee, Kelly Melroy, as the new Facility Supervisor to replace Tad Arends who resigned a few weeks ago.

There is a new segment of trail near Boyse Park. It is a small corner of Kemper Loop off N 32nd Avenue. A section of the trail runs through the Nye property. The City will be working with them to obtain an easement for access.

FROM THE BOARD - [7:34 PM](#)

Board Member Updates

Board Member Coker is excited to have her term on the Parks Board extended.

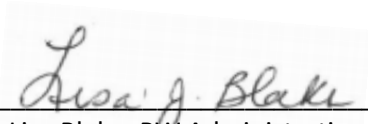
Council Update

Chair Stenbak will present the Parks Board 2021 Work Plan to Council on Thursday, January 14, 2021. Board Members are encouraged to attend.

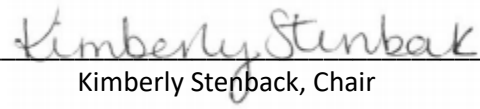
Requests from the Board for Upcoming Meetings - [7:36 PM](#)

Chair Stenbak will train Parks Board members on how to use the MS Groups share drive as a central location for powerpoint presentations and other Parks related documents generated by Board Members.

ADJOURN - [7:36 PM](#)

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Lisa Blake, PW Administrative Assistant

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Kimberly Stenbak, Chair