



**RIDGEFIELD PARKS BOARD
MEETING AGENDA**

**Wednesday, August 10, 2022
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

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 address. Comments are limited to three minutes. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk prior to the meeting.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Minutes from Wednesday, 6/8/22 Meeting**

IV. MEMBER REPORT

V. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Update on Parks Projects - Galina Burley, Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager**

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Updated Signs at the Disc Golf Course - Galina Burley, Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager**
- 2. Watershed Alliance Program Introduction - Galina Burley, Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager**
- 3. Planning for Volunteer Event in October - Galina Burley, Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager**
- 4. Trail Signs Grant through Parks Foundation - Galina Burley, Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager**

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VIII. STAFF REPORTS

- 1. Public Works Update**

IX. FROM THE BOARD

- 1. Board Member Updates**

2. Council Update
 3. Requests from the Board for Upcoming Meetings
- X. ADJOURN

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CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON

Parks Board MEETING MINUTES

June 8, 2022

Regular Meeting - 6:30 PM

GENERAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Rian Davis	Board Member	Present	
Sandy Schill	Board Member	Absent	
Bruce Carpenter	Board Member	Present	
Jake Bredstrand	Board Member	Absent	
Sarah Scott	Board Member	Absent	
Whitney Randall	Board Member	Present	
Beth Bicknell	Board Member	Present	

LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT - [6:32 PM](#)

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CONSENT AGENDA - [6:36 PM](#)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bruce Carpenter, Board Member
SECONDER:	Rian Davis, Board Member
AYES:	Davis, Carpenter, Randall, Bicknell
ABSENT:	Schill, Bredstrand, Scott

1. Approval of Minutes from Wednesday, 5/11/22 Meeting

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS AMENDED.

MEMBER REPORT - [6:37 PM](#)

None.

OLD BUSINESS - [6:38 PM](#)

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Jun 8, 2022 6:30 PM (CONSENT AGENDA)

1. Parks Tour, Galina Burley, Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager

Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager Burley shared that the mayor requested a different date for the tour than originally planned. Advised it would be scheduled another 6-8 weeks out to give people time to plan for it. Chair Bicknell asked for an itinerary for planning purposes. Burley will follow up on requests and offered to do a 1:1 meetings for any of the Parks Board members who may want to visit specific sites as needed.

2. Parks and Trails Signage, Galina Burley, Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager

Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager Burley shared presentation showing signage examples and costs. Advised there is an option to make a motion to send it to Council, send part to Council, or hold to think about it. Chair Bicknell's recollection was they had identified some preferred designs and recommends that the Board looks in their individual notes and reports back with details on their previous preference. Board Member Carpenter, Randall, and Davis prefer the version with the curved font with the lighter color as it will stand out from a distance and looks more welcoming, and Vice-Chair Davis prefers the blue sign. Chair Bicknell also offered that they may need to discuss lighting, and would like it noted that they would like the full Board available to weigh in. Board Member Carpenter wants to keep "dark sky" in mind and isn't sure that sign lighting makes sense. Burley will continue researching and will come back to the Board with some cohesive designs for the parks and trails systems.

3. Mayor's Meadow Alternatives Presentation, Galina Burley, Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager

Galina Burley shared a presentation regarding 3 design alternatives for Mayor's Meadows and seeks feedback from the Board. This segment had been specifically mentioned through community comments as a priority since this stretch along Pioneer currently has no existing trail. A pedestrian and bicycle program grant has been applied for to help with funding this project.

Board members had concerns with the safety of adding a pedestrian crossing over road with current speed limit of 40 MPH, building retaining walls for the path in between driveways, potential impact to homeowners, geological hazard scoring for project options, and future traffic lane expansion. The Board would like to revisit when all members can be present, and to see additional mockups along with input from homeowners in the area before making recommendations. Uncomfortable recommending plans that would put pedestrian crossings on the road over Pioneer with the current speed limit for that stretch of road.

NEW BUSINESS - [7:46 PM](#)

1. Arts Association, Beth Bicknell, Chair

Board Chair Bicknell introduced discussion to recommend to City Council that the city engage with the Arts Association. Would like to see them involved with the Nature Play Area. Staff may end up doing base level of paint and then have the Arts Association do further decorating to features in the park. Burley will check and see if the Board will need to make a motion for a memorandum of understanding.

2. Abrams Bridge Repair Update, Galina Burley, Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager

Galina Burley shared that there was some action that had to take place on the Abrams Bridge. While mapping out assets with condition estimates this bridge scored quite high. Burley went out with Facilities and determined that the bridge needed to be immediately closed down and repairs be made. An emergency contract will be put in place for longer term repairs and temporary repairs were made so that vehicle access can continue.

PUBLIC COMMENT - [7:54 PM](#)

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STAFF REPORTS - [8:20 PM](#)

Public Works Update

Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager Burley shared updates from Public Works. There is a robust partnership with YMCA that will provide camps in our parks and Burley urged the Board to spread the word regarding these programs. Work on a contract for master planning for Boyse Park is under way. Planning is 95% completed for the Hillhurst Multi-modal trail system and there is an application out for a grant to add a new crosswalk for this project. Waiting for consultants to return cost and scope for Horns Corner and Refuge before proceeding to as-built stage. Burley has submitted an RFQ for the Skate Park to find either an alternative location or reinvest into current site. The Splash Pad has started to go to design and they're hoping to go to build later this year. Additionally, Burley shared that she is handling parks reservations along with the community garden.

FROM THE BOARD - [8:26 PM](#)

Board Member Updates

None.

Council Update

None.

Requests from the Board for Upcoming Meetings

None.

ADJOURN - [8:27 PM](#)

Chalea Johnston, PW Administrative Assistant

Beth Bicknell, Chair