



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](#)

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 sites as needed.

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

Parks, Trails and Recreation Manager Burley presented signage examples and costs. Advised there is an option to make a motion to send it to Council, send part of it to Council, or hold to think on it. Chair Bicknell's recollection was that they had identified some preferred designs and recommends that the Board reviews their 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 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 identified 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 the road with the current speed limit of 40 MPH, building retaining walls for the path in between driveways, the potential impact to homeowners, geological hazard scoring for project options, and design for 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.

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 the bridge scored quite high. Burley went out with Facilities and determined that the bridge needed to be immediately closed down for temporary repairs to be made. An emergency contract will be put in place for longer term repairs 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 help 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 the 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 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.

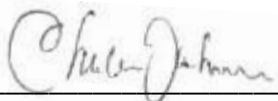
Council Update

None.

Requests from the Board for Upcoming Meetings

None.

ADJOURN - [8:27 PM](#)



Chalea Johnston, PW Administrative Assistant



Beth Bicknell, Chair