PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
Willis Tucker Park (Zoom meeting)
6705 Puget Park Drive Snohomish Washington
Tuesday June 9, 2020 3:00pm – 5:00pm (Zoom meeting)

10. Call to Order
10.1. John Ewald called the meeting to order. Sharon Swan was hosting the Zoom meeting. A quorum was present.

20. Roll Call
20.1. Voting Board Members –

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<td>Steve Yandl (Dist. 4) (Notes)</td>
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20.2. Staff (Parks and other County Departments or agencies) – Sharon Swan, Russ Bosanko, Tom Teigen, Tammy Dunn (ex officio),


30. Review and Approval of Minutes of May 2020 meeting
30.1. No changes, Minutes were unanimously approved.

40. Public Hearings/Meetings
40.1. The County Council opted to take the recommendation of this advisory board that was made at the May meeting. Price reductions (50%) in parking and boat launch fees at certain parks will not be offered to those over 62 in the current year but may be reconsidered once the COVID-19 restrictions end and there is less financial stress.

50. Oral Requests from the Audience/Correspondence
50.1. Jamie Holland made a few brief comments on how various operations with BMX facilities have been offering opportunities to the BMX community and how they might respond to entering Phase 2 of restrictions.

60. General Business
60.1. Boards and Commissions Training – Russ indicated that Ting Liu had observed the online training so we were 100% trained.

60.2. May 12, 2020 Field Trip – Rescheduled for September 8, 2020 – Esperance, Cavalero, Flowing Lake. Leave Willis Tucker Park at 2pm, hopefully return by 5:45pm.

60.3. RCO (Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office) -Planning staff have been working hard on nine (9) grant applications! County Parks could use additional letters of support from the Park Advisory Board and perhaps other groups that you are affiliated with. Sharon will review and provide a written sample.

60.3.1. Whitehorse campground.

60.3.2. Kayak Point
60.3.3. Whitehorse trail – next phase.
60.3.4. Meadowdale Park – culvert project.
60.3.5. Oso slide memorial.

70. Reports from the Staff/Status Reports

70.1. COVID-19 impacts – Consistent with the Governor’s 4 phase plan:

70.1.1. Phase 2 – Snohomish County was granted by the Governor’s office entry into Phase 2
    70.1.1.1. Gatherings limited to your immediate family + 5 others...or 10 max.
    70.1.1.2. Most camping allowed but all yurts except Yurt 10 closed at Kayak Point.
    70.1.1.3. Restrooms increased cleaning.
    70.1.1.4. Playgrounds still closed.... Some athletic field use with approved safety protocols.
    70.1.1.5. Park staff wear face masks.
    70.1.1.6. Camping picnic shelters open w online reservations.
    70.1.1.7. No cash handling.... Payment online, pre-paid, credit cards.
    70.1.1.8. Dog parks open w social distancing.
    70.1.1.9. Playgrounds closed until Phase 3.
    70.1.1.10. McCollum pool closed.
    70.1.1.11. Willis Tucker Park Spray Pad does not open yet.
    70.1.1.12. Picnic Shelters closed until further notice.
    70.1.1.13. Drinking fountains/showers closed.
    70.1.1.14. Events cancelled.

70.1.2. Phase 3 – Outdoor group re: sports activities (5-50 people, Recreation facilities at less than 50% capacity) such as public pools.
    70.1.2.1. Allow gatherings with no more than 50 people.
    70.1.2.2. Indoor gyms – less than 50% capacity.
    70.1.2.3. Government offices open...telework remains strongly encouraged.

70.1.3. Phase 4 – Resume public interactions with physical distancing.
    70.1.3.1. Resume all recreational activities.
    70.1.3.2. Allow gatherings with more than 50 people.
    70.1.3.3. Concert venues.
    70.1.3.4. Large sporting events.
    70.1.3.5. Resume unrestricted staffing of worksites but continue to practice physical distancing and good hygiene.

70.2. Planning/Engineering/Design/Construction Projects

70.2.1. Cavalero County Park – Substantial completion was reached on Friday, June 5, allowing us to have the park site open to the public on Saturday, June 6, 2020. Minor punch list items can be accomplished by the contractor while the park is open to the public until final acceptance of the project has been achieved. No official grand opening ceremony perhaps late summer or Fall.

70.2.2. Esperance County Park also reached substantial completion with the park being open to the public, but playground remains closed. Perhaps grand opening ceremony late summer or Fall.
70.2.3. Kayak Point Golf Course/Public- Private Partnership RFP) (4th) open 1/31/20 – 2/28/2020. Possible RFP evaluations Wednesday, March 19, 10am - 12pm – Update from Russ Bosanko.

70.2.3.1. Received 11 proposals for various county park properties – 4 of the 11 relate to the Kayak Point Golf Course Property specifically.

70.2.4. Carousel Ranch County Park – Demolition of the remaining structures completed by contractor and county parks staff. Getting close to 90% plans, possibly go out to bid late 2020, or Spring 2021. McCollum County Park, Community Transit park and ride improvements, Russ working on new maintenance and operation agreement with Community Transit, Potential Farmer’s Market via RFP proposal. Drive thru COVID 19 testing may be occurring at McCollum Park soon.

70.2.5. Evergreen State Fair Park – East side will be used as future field hospital replacing the Angels of the Wind Arena in Everett.

70.2.6. Possible County-wide Parks and Trails Bond, November 2022.

70.2.7. West Lake Roesiger Update Tom Teigen.

70.2.7.1. DNR has purchased additional acreage. Possibility of working with DNR in acquiring more acreage.

70.2.7.2. Considering options for use as an equestrian focused recreation area that could create the most significant equestrian use park in the western part of Washington. Other users wouldn’t be excluded but this would be a significant asset for the equestrian community.

70.2.8. Executive Horse Council of Snohomish County – Update Tom Teigen/Sharon Swan/Russ Bosanko.

70.2.9. Whitehorse Community Park – Camping Improvements go out to bid late May early June with possible construction later Summer/Fall. MOU w Town of Darrington, Darrington School District, Darrington Youth Athletic Association and Snohomish County Parks.

70.2.9.1. Contract out to bid June 18. Hopefully initial improvements will be complete in September.

70.2.9.2. Timber framers plan to participate with a project and at the same time work on a separate project as part of the Oso Memorial.

70.2.10. Veteran’s acknowledgement on Centennial Trail, looking to relocate project possibly at county campus in Everett.

70.2.11. Lighting one (1) field at Willis Tucker Park with Mill Creek Little League

70.3. Events

80. Park Director’s Time (Tom Teigen with help from Russ Bosanko).

80.1. Parks Personnel Changes resulting from COVID-19 impact.

80.1.1. Hire no park, Fair Park seasonal staff. Shift several of the Fair Park Maintenance staff to assist with maintenance duties at large regional parks, i.e. Kayak Point County Park, Lord Hill Regional Park, Willis Tucker Community Park, etc.

80.1.1.1. Interviewing underway with the hope for an approval to hire a senior planner after the departure of Amy Lucas.

80.1.2. Tom indicated that members of County Council were interested in how Parks Advisory Board felt about opening more park assets as we work through COVID-19 restrictions.

80.1.2.1. The Parks Advisory Board was in favor of opening permanent restrooms and not opposed to opening playgrounds and picnic shelters, provided appropriate signage warned the public of disease risk.

90. Messages from the Board. Around the Table

90.1. John Dewhirst
90.1.1. John has concerns on the financial health of Parks, other county agencies and our community as we work through COVID-19 restrictions and health impacts. He asked Tom and Russ about specific adjustments to the budget.

90.2. David Divoky
90.2.1. David was pleased with the placement of picnic tables around the perimeter of the dog park area at Willis Tucker.

90.3. Tammy Dunn
90.3.1. Tammy asked for a time estimate for how long it would take to complete sports fields at Carousel after groundbreaking. The response from Sharon was 6 or 7 months.
90.3.2. Tammy indicated just how much has been lost and how much sports events have been off kilter due to the COVID-19 restrictions.

90.4. John Ewald
90.4.1. John Endorsed the ideas Tom proposed regarding West Lake Roesiger.
90.4.2. He wants to brainstorm with Tom and Russ before engaging in a discussion group with resident stakeholders on the Lake Roesiger plans, just to make sure everyone is on the same page.

90.5. Mike Farrell
90.5.1. Mike indicated that despite the upheaval caused by COVID-19 the city of Monroe Parks Dept was moving forward with a parks needs and plans analysis that is supposed to run on a 6 year cycle.

90.6. Ting Liu

90.7. Bob McCarty
90.7.1. Bob indicated all his regular jobs (fair, folklife festival) were shut down due to COVID-19.

90.8. Darrell Olson
90.9. Robert Putnam
90.10. Shawn Tobin
90.10.1. Shawn indicated it’s quite a juggling act for State Parks with fluid changes altering different aspects of parks and the fact that state parks span multiple counties which might be at very different stages in easing COVID-19 restrictions.
90.10.2. Trails associated with state parks were being well used by a public anxious to do outdoor recreation.

90.11. Steve Yandl
90.11.1. With COVID-19 reducing area traffic, wildlife that might usually spend more time in Willis Tucker Park or other greenbelt areas (bears, coyotes etc.) are making regular appearances providing needed entertainment on security cameras.

100. Adjournment

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