

**CITY OF LAKE STEVENS
PARK AND RECREATION PLANNING BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

City Hall, Conference Room A
1812 Main Street
Lake Stevens, WA 98258

Monday, November 5, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 PM by Tina Decker, Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tina Decker, Carl Johnson, Chris Jones, Roger Schollenberger; Terry Van Wyck; Susan Green; Council Liaison Kurt Hilt

MEMBERS ABSENT: Marlene Sweet

STAFF PRESENT: Jim Haugen, Parks and Recreation Coordinator; Teresa Meyers, Planning Department

GUESTS PRESENT: George Wood; Linda Ehmen

EXCUSED ABSENCE:

Carl Johnson made a motion to excuse Marlene Sweet; Terry Van Wyck seconded the motion. Motion carried (6,0,0,1)

ACTION ITEMS:

Meeting minutes for October 8 and November 5, 2018 to be approved next regular meeting on January 14, 2019

GUEST BUSINESS:

Chris Jones introduced George Wood. In the process of naming the 20th Street Ballfields and in accordance with council request for additional naming options with historical background, Chris invited Mr. Wood to share his knowledge of the field inception with the board.

As the President of Clubs Inc. (Boys & Girls Club) and a long-time member of the community, Chris asked Mr. Wood to offer his history with the 20th Street field location. According to George, Pee Wee football played on the fields in 1973. Mr. Neil West lived on 20th Street adjacent to the current field location and started a soccer league and clinics on the field. Neil was the head referee for North County Soccer which consisted of teams from Everett, Lake Stevens and Marysville. Neil constructed a practice field for his "special" team

named the "Tigers". The West family and Halstead family are the two historical names generally associated with the fields.

Linda Ehmen with the Arts Commission presented her "Arts in Parks: Realizing Imaginative Public Places" presentation for the Board. The concept behind the presentation stems from the Arts Commission and Arts Foundation mission to install artwork in parks to provide an individual signature for each park. The intent of the presentation for the Park Board focused on three City parks: North Cove, Eagle Ridge and Cavelero offering unique options such as water features, stepped seating, public seating areas and themes.

Tina Decker asked whether the art in the park concept was incorporated in the Park Board Work Program? Where does the funding for art in the park live? Linda suggested devising small work groups to focus on art decisions for the parks; seek private, corporate, state and county funding as the parks are under re-development and development.

Tina Decker wanted to know whether Planning has seen the presentation. Jim Haugen agreed to obtain a copy and distribute to staff and all board members for further review.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Park naming: A plan needs to be developed for naming recommendations. Staff will provide a comprehensive re-cap of Mr. Woods' information for the Board. Ideas suggested for the 20th Street Ballfield naming discussion may include: Hewitt Fields; West-Halstead Fields; North County Memorial Field.

Frontier Heights Park Update: Jim Haugen shared "red lined" park plans. Chris Jones suggested Terry Van Wyck assist with grant writing for the fields – possibly asking for turf. Phase 1 of the park rehabilitation will begin in 2019. The board recommended spreading the fitness stations throughout the park; proposed a pickleball court or wall ball court instead of half of full basketball court; incorporate art concepts and consider potential skate features.

Work Program: Jim provided an updated Work Program for 2019 incorporating the Board's input as discussed at the previous meeting.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Tina Decker suggested integrating "Art in the Parks" in the work program for Park Board participation.

STAFF REPORT – Jim Haugen

Cavelero Skate Park – Construction plan permit expected to be approved and issued by the end of the month.

Main Street Improvement – Public Meeting will be held November 8th, 5:30 – 7:00 pm, at the Community Center. The Board is invited to attend.

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn the meeting moved by Chris Jones; seconded by Terry Van Wyck. Motion carried (6-0-0-1). Meeting adjourned 8:05 PM.

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Tina Decker, Chair

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Teresa Meyers, Secretary