



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, January 24, 2018, 5:00 PM
Lacamas Lodge, 227 NE Lake Road

I. CALL TO ORDER

Parks Commission: Eunice Abrahamsen, Randy Curtis, Katy Daane, David Gast, Steve Lorenz, Cassi Marshall, Dareen Stepanyuk

City Council Members: Deanna Rusch and Melissa Smith

Staff: Jerry Acheson and Susan Newlove

Present: Eunice Abrahamsen, David Gast and Chair Randy Curtis

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approve Minutes of Parks Commission meeting held on Wednesday, December 6, 2017

 [Parks Commission Minutes of December 6, 2017](#)

A motion was made by Gast, seconded by Lorenz, and carried to approve the Parks Commission Minutes of December 6, 2017.

This Minutes was approved.

III. MEETING ITEMS

- A. Introduction of new members and City Council Liaison

Melissa Smith introduced our new City Council member, Deanna Rusch, who will also be the new Liaison for the Parks and Recreation Commission. Smith stated that she's enjoyed working with the Camas Parks and Recreation Commission throughout the years.

Randy Curtis welcomed Katy Daane and Dareen Stepanyuk, the two newest members of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

- B. Election of Officers

A motion was made by Lorenz, seconded by Marshall, and carried to nominate Randy Curtis as the Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission for 2018.

A motion was made by Marshall, seconded by Gast, and carried to nominate Steve Lorenz as Vice Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission for 2018.

This Action Item was approved.

C. Crown Park Master Plan and Pool Audit

Parks and Recreation Manager, Jerry Acheson, did a presentation on the Crown Park Pool Assessment and Master Plan that was presented to City Council on November 20, 2017. Acheson stated that public outreach for this project began in February 2017 with an open house on the Crown Park Master Plan. Other public outreach throughout the year included; surveys, a booth at Camas Days, presentations to the Parks Commission and a presentation to City Council.

The study began with a current assessment of the physical operations of the Camas Municipal Pool, which was done by Water Technology Institute of Seattle. The pool was built in 1954 and the city has spent a lot of money over the years on pool repairs and maintenance. In November 2017, the city received a letter from the Clark County Health Department stating that the pool requires \$400k in required maintenance before it can be re-opened to the public.

Acheson reviewed Crown Park renovation options and fees determined by the study. A restroom, a playground and a water feature were the top three items the public would like in Crown Park according to the survey results. Acheson displayed a Crown Park map that included several features. He reviewed the prices associated with different layouts of the park; one layout features a pool and the other layout features a splash pad. Acheson reviewed the financial impacts of both options over the next twenty years. After reviewing the results of the survey, a recommendation was made by the Camas Parks and Recreation Commission to add a water feature in Crown Park and build a pool in a different location.

Curtis stated that people do want a pool in the community and he urges City Council to start a process in finding a replacement for the pool at Crown Park.

Public comments were made by the following people:

Wayne Patterson, 2917 SE 2nd Avenue

Shannon Larsen, 2610 NW Ogden Court

Anastasia McDonnell, 1425 NE Everett Street

Kristen Castle, 1642 NW 43rd Avenue

Brandy Livingston, 1722 NE Lone Loop

Charity Feb, 1401 NE 7th Avenue

Melissa Peak, 1317 NE Everett Street

Henry Rico, 812 NW 27th Avenue

Joelle O'Connell, 5440 NW 15th Circle

Tanya Ward, 6127 NW Klickitat Court

Carrie Duffy, 3217 NW 21st Avenue

Nikki Capshaw, 7705 NW Quinault Street

Bonnie Carter, 3377 NW 47th Avenue

Rocky Fresh, 1331 NE NE 6th Avenue

Curtis stated that the general consensus of the comments is that there is concern with the development and design of Crown Park. He recommended that the city get more public feedback on the Crown Park Master Plan before a final decision is made. He stated that it will cost the City \$2 million to get a renovated pool in Crown Park so it's important to make the right decision. The next step is for City Council to give direction and it's important to find a solution for the next 60 years.

Deanna Rusch thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for all of the public feedback on the issue.

D. Topics for Retreat

Curtis stated that the Annual Park Commission retreat will be held on Monday, February 12th at 4 pm. Discussion ensued on possible topics for the retreat.

IV. PROJECT UPDATES

V. OTHER ITEMS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm. The next Camas Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 28th at 5 pm.

If you will not be able to attend, please contact Susan Newlove at 834- 5307. Thank you.