



## **PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, December 9, 2015, 5:00 PM**

**Lacamas Lodge, 227 NE Lake Road**

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### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Staff: Jerry Acheson and Susan Newlove

Presenter: Juanita Rogers

Present: Chair Randy Curtis, Vice Chair Steve Lorenz, Eunice Abrahamsen, Juli Bradley, David Gast, Cassi Marshall and Sean Vergillo

### **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Bradley, seconded by Marshall, and carried to accept the Minutes of the October 28, 2015 meeting as written.

**This was approved.**

#### **A. Approval of the Minutes of the October 28, 2015 Meeting**

 [Parks Commission Minutes of Oct 28 2015](#)

### **III. MEETING ITEMS**

#### **A. Lacamas Lodge 2015 Annual Report**

 [Lacamas Lodge 2015 Report](#)

Acheson reviewed the Lacamas Lodge 2015 report to the Commission. In response to Curtis' question regarding the annual increase in fees, Acheson stated that the expenses in the report don't include employee salaries or debt payments.

#### **B. Camas Community Center 2015 Annual Report**

 [Camas Community Center 2015 Report](#)

Acheson reviewed the 2015 Community Center report to the Commission. In response to Abrahamsen's concern about the parking lot, Acheson stated that the Street Department tries to stripe the lot annually. Abrahamsen clarified that her main concern was with the amount of leaves and debris in the parking lot and she is curious as to how often the parking lot is maintained.

#### **C. Fallen Leaf Lake Concept Plans Review**

Acheson introduced Juanita Rogers of Berger ABAM. She presented the Concept plans for Fallen Leaf Lake Park, which were based on the vision, direction and ideas about the site.

She reviewed the overall Concept plan, two different modifications of driveway/event parking plans and the north trailhead plans. The Commissioners all gave positive feedback on this project. In response to Vergillo's question regarding a timeline, Acheson stated that the plan is to submit a grant application in 2016.

Juanita Rogers stated that a public forum on the Fallen Leaf Lake Park concept plans will be held at Lacamas Lodge on Wednesday, January 20th at 4:30 pm. Information will be mailed out three weeks prior to the meeting. Vergillo recognizes great potential for this project.

**D. 2015 Parks Commission Annual Report**

Curtis stated that the Parks Commission will be presenting the annual report to City Council at the Annual Planning Conference in January. The report will summarize 2015 project involvement, which includes; roles and responsibilities of the Parks Commission, Louis Bloch park improvements and Dave Kuhlmann's work on this project, the Ad Hoc Committee, Cooper's View Park, Friends of the Camas Cemetery, Lacamas Lake property leases, Washougal River Overlook, the Trail Mapping project, Fallen Leaf Park Master Plan, Crown Park Pool 2015 Report, Parks and Recreation fee schedule for 2016 and the Community Center Development Committee. The future goals in the report include; Fallen Leaf Master Plan review, Crown Park Master Plan review, review/update park & trail signage and park assessment needs.

Acheson suggested adding the survey for the Friends of the Camas Community Center to the list. The Commission liked Bradley's idea of picking two parks each to evaluate and present feedback to the board. In response to Lorenz, Acheson stated that the next budget cycle will cover 2017 and 2018 and budget recommendations should be made in September of 2016. Vergillo stated that it's important to prioritize needs within the annual report to Council.

**IV. PROJECT UPDATES**

Lacamas Heritage Trail - A new parking lot at the Goodwin Road entrance is in the concept design phase. The Parks Commission gave approval of the concept layout of the parking lot.

Dog Park - An allowable use request will be submitted and is needed to convert the location next to the old bowling alley to a dog park.

Friends Survey - The survey will be emailed to everyone and needs to be completed by January 8, 2016.

Washougal River Greenway Trail Overlook - The overlook should be completed by the end of 2015.

Fuel Medical - Thank you to Fuel Medical for volunteering to hang lights at Lacamas Lodge for the holiday season.

**V. OTHER ITEMS**

Volunteer Coordinator - Vergillo stated that it would be great if the City of Camas could get a Volunteer Coordinator for city projects, especially regarding liability issues. He stated that

Clark County has great volunteer program in place.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm. The next meeting will be held at Lacamas Lodge on Wednesday, January 27th at 5 pm.

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