

City of Olympia

*The Olympia Center
222 Columbia St. NW
Olympia, WA 98501*



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, May 2, 2013

6:00 pm

The Olympia Center, Room 200

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

1. CALL TO ORDER

Present: 8 - Chair Robert L (Rob) Ahlschwede, Vice Chair Jim Nieland, Committee Member Barbara Benson, Committee Member Robert Dengel, Committee Member Dave Hughes, Committee Member Brian Tomlinson, Committee Member Joel Hansen, and Committee Member Gerry Hodge

Absent: 2 - Committee Member Jesse Dwyer, and Committee Member Noah C McCord

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Meeting called to order at 6:03 p.m.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.A Approval of April 11, 2013 PRAC Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

Minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

James Reddick reminded PRAC to turn in raffle ticket sales for PARC foundation raffle. He is working with Tenino and Thurston County to schedule next Regional Park Board meeting. He stated that he believes in multiple uses at the Artesian Park and it needs to have more active facilities like basketball. PARC foundation was approached to receive donation of a piece of property on Harrison Avenue. The Foundation cannot accept but suggested the property be donated to a non-profit.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Hodge and Mr. Hansen reported on the recent community meeting that was held regarding the Ward Lake water quality. Staff from Thurston County and City of Olympia reviewed last 18 years of water quality data and described the testing that was done to check for contamination.

Mr. Turlove stated that The Evergreen State College has not authorized use of their campus for an interim dog park. Staff has contacted the owners of all four possible sites and all property owners have declined the interim dog park use.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

2013 Park Evaluations

Gerry Hodge opened with a discussion on whether PRAC wanted to continue the park evaluation effort this year and whether the information collected was valuable to park staff. Jonathon Turlove stated that staff does value the information collected from the evaluations, as it gives information on who is using the park, what minor or major repairs are needed, and gives PRAC the opportunity to interact with the public. PRAC agreed to continue the park evaluations for 2013. Evaluation packets will be handed out at the June meeting. In October, each PRAC member will report back to the committee with their evaluation results.

2013 Work Plan

Jonathon Turlove gave an update on each item of the work plan. Leads and subcommittee members were assigned as needed.

7. REPORTS

North Capitol Campus Heritage Park Development Assoc. - Nothing to report as the Association is waiting for funding from the State to become available.

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee - Nothing to report.

Planning Commission - Liasion has not been appointed yet.

PARC Foundation of Thurston County - The Jocelyn Endowment has a \$10,000 grant available for a classical choral project.

8. OTHER TOPICS

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Upcoming

Next PRAC meeting will be on June 6, 2013.

Accommodations