

City of Lake Forest Park
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Regular Meeting Summary
17425 Ballinger Way NE – Lake/Forest Room
June 25, 2019

Regular Meeting: Call to Order – 7:00 PM

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Members Present:

Tony Auriemma, Ben Greif, Derek de Bakker, Paula Karlberg

Others Present:

Residents: Mike Dee, Natalie Pascale Boisseau

Staff Present:

Cory Roche - Community Volunteer Coordinator

Welcome and Introductions

Review/Approve May Meeting Minutes:

Derek motioned to approve May meeting minutes, Ben second motion, approved unanimously.

Park Name Recommendation to Council – Update on Process:

Derek, the Chair for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, will lead the presentation/discussion on the Boards process and name recommendation to Council on Thursday, June 27, City Council Regular Business Meeting.

Horizon View Recommendation and Discussion:

City Staff is requesting recommendations and thoughts on a location for a Bocce Ball Court or two to be installed at Horizon View Park. The Board agreed that the area next to the Tennis Court should be kept open for a future tennis court or larger activity, same with area near the front parking lot. Paula motioned the option near swings along the pathway be the Board's recommendation, Ben second the motion, approved unanimously.

Begin Park Naming Process for Property along 37th Ave NE & NE 178th St:

Final survey language will be voted on during July's PRAB Meeting. Survey will be published and out to the public for recommendation the first couple of weeks of August. During the August meeting, based on survey input, names will be chosen for a second round of community input at Picnic in the Park, Saturday, September 7. Tony mentioned bringing hand written copies to Planet Fitness. The Board's recommendation to Council will then be decided at the September or October meeting.

Discussion on Meeting Day/Time:

The board agreed to keep July's meeting date/time the same, they will take a look at August's meeting date/time during July's meeting.

Other Business:

Cory gave a quick update on the Picnic Shelter for Pfingst Animal Acres Park, documents for the PAUE Process should be submitted before the end of July. The hearing process can take up to six months.

Ben also asked for a Horizon View tennis court update. The City decided to add one pickle ball court lines to the tennis court. The resurfacing will take place the second full week of July.

Ben mentioned he noticed the parking lot at Whispering Willow had been revamped and wondered if there was a way for the board and maintenance with Public Works to connect.

Paula wondered if there is something the Board should be doing to help find funding. Derek mentioned that he and Tyler met with the Mayor to get a better understanding of what they need to be doing and thinks they are on the right track.

Ben stated maybe it's not the lake property but something else in the City they can promote and chase after, like an additional pickle ball/tennis court at Horizon View.

Tony mentioned they could take a look at our current parks and see what areas could be turned into active recreation, like adding exercise equipment at Horizon View.

Derek mentioned the addition of another court at Horizon View would double the capacity as well as adding nice turf to play all year long for large field usage.

Ben mentioned that they would like to be involved with the community fun runs, Cory will see what she can do to connect the Board to the groups for involvement.

Public Comments:

Natalie, board member of the Stewardship Foundation, wanted to let everyone know they are really happy about the Five Acre Woods name recommendation and will be giving the last installment of funds they raised during the next City Council Meeting.

Natalie said she would do a presentation on grants for how Five Acre Woods happened and its resources if they would like. She also wanted to tell the story of Five Acre Woods as she is a neighbor of the property. She researched and received information on the history with photos of the property. Grandson of the Lienard family wanted to advocate the last name be incorporated in the park property name. She mentioned naming trails could be a great way to bring other history into this park and others.

Mike gave the definition of the Boards mission statement. Stated that on page 60 of the PROST plan it calls for pickle ball courts. He mentioned the PAUE hearing is a public meeting and can make comments. Stated that another family lived on the Five Acre Woods property with the last name Gordon. Mentioned the Public Works maintenance funds and that there is a lot of funds left over, said to look at the Task Force and PROST plan. Mentioned the 'Duck Haven' lakefront property and the levy coming up to vote that would help with park funding. Started there are two runs in LFP. Mike mentioned a way to pay for the Horizon View court could be with KCD funds, which there is \$79,000 in the City's member jurisdiction funds available, \$7,000 adds every year. Cory stated that they would most likely not fund a project like that. Mike stated there is a presentation on the history of Lake Forest Park from the friends of the library he recommends viewing.

Adjourn: 8:15 PM