

CITY OF MONROE PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MINUTES

September 19, 2019

7:00 p.m.

City Hall, Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Kinney called the Park Board meeting to order at 7:04pm in City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

Boardmembers Present: Tami Kinney, Ron Petrick, Jessie Robinson, Devlin Piplic, Daniel Enrico
Boardmembers Absent: Michael Stanger

AGENDA REVISIONS - None

APPROVE MINUTES - Motion was made by Boardmember Petrick, seconded by Boardmember Robinson, to approve the August 15, 2019 meeting minutes. Motion carried 4-0. Minutes of approved August meeting minutes were signed by Chairperson Kinney and Boardmember Enrico. Boardmember Enrico signed minutes from April and June 2019.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

STAFF REPORTS/UPDATES

1. **AB 19-011- East County Parks and Recreation District (ECPRD) Bond, Proposition One:** – Ms. Johns, Senior Park Planner, described outreach efforts to date, ongoing and upcoming work of Strategies 360 to provide additional outreach materials. Strategies 360 work was discussed including their process, future work with the City; their final materials will be sent to board members via email and will also appear on Facebook feeds. General discussion followed on how to provide information to community members, vote requirements, school district mass communication, and utility bill ECPRD insert.
2. **Parks & Recreation Department Report** – Director Farrell updated Boardmembers on recent local events, projects, and activities referencing the attached Monthly Staff Report. Discussion followed about the City's Parks and Open Space Plan to be studied and updated beginning in 2020. Director Farrell's report included the Ribbon Cutting at Sky River's new exercise equipment; Lake Tye All-weather design development, permitting, funding, bidding process, construction planned to begin spring 2020, and HD Hogan construction management role; Forterra grant for interpretive and wayfinding signage; the Skykomish-Snohomish River Coalition Recreation Planning coalition; higher number of (homeless) camps found this month compared to last month; Herald reporter to shadow staff at Al Borlin; and future interpretive feature will create a cohesive river identity, importance of hazard warning, safety protocols and ecological benefits.

Director Farrell informed the Park Board that Boardmember Whalen advised the City he will be unable to continue serving as Park Boardmember. Director Farrell expressed his appreciation for Boardmember Whalen's work with the City over the years; the notice ^{open} Boardmember available position is on the City's website. Discussion followed about the value of board members holding differing points of view and selection process.

3. Chairperson Kinney discussed the Park Board Work Plan; suggested Boardmembers visit Blueberry Park because a group tour opportunity has passed. Director Farrell pointed out the October meeting is targeted to update the work plan including the PROS Plan, *Light up Monroe* at Traveler's Park, event in November. Discussion followed about 'living Christmas

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Tree' and tree donations to the City, Director Farrell donations would be reviewed on a case by case basis.

BOARD DISCUSSION - None

AGENCY REPORTS

A. **Planning Commission** – No Report

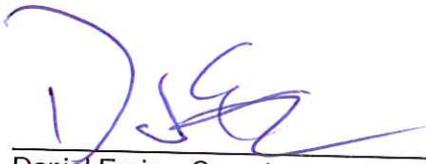
B. **Monroe School District** – Boardmember Devlin described work in process at various schools including Frank Wagner, Hidden River and Chain Lake Schools. Discussions took place about the availability of school play and athletic fields after hours and that the City would be interested in promoting this use; only Monroe High School is inaccessible after hours. City Council budget review was including funding for surveillance cameras to be installed likely parks would be Lewis Street and Sky Valley Park, discussion ensued about School District use of surveillance cameras. Memorial Field potential future uses and various school district properties were discussed and is still being reviewed, no decisions have been made.

Chairperson Kinney recommended the presentation by Deborah Knight, City Administrator be postponed to a later date.

ADJOURNMENT – Chairperson Kinney requested a motion to adjourn, Boardmember Devlin motioned to adjourn and Boardmember Enrico seconded, motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM.



Tami Kinney, Chairperson



Daniel Enrico, Secretary