

**CITY OF MONROE**  
**PARK BOARD MINUTES**  
**May 21, 2015**

**Call To Order**

Vice Chairperson Karin Coppernoll called the Park Board meeting to order at 7:04pm in the Parks/Public Works Conference Room.

**Roll Call**

Board Members Present: Karin Coppernoll, Shawna Chamberlain, Tami Kinney, Ralph Yingling

Board Members Absent: Steve Whalen, Lara Ramey, Dian Duerksen

**Agenda Revisions** – None

**Approval of Minutes** - Motion was made by Ralph Yingling and seconded by Tami Kinney to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2015 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Audience Participation** – None

**Unfinished Business** – Director Farrell briefed the Board that the draft Park Plan and Element are in comment review for the next month and any comments received will be forwarded for consideration. The entire Comprehensive Plan is expected to be adopted by the end of June, so a recommendation from the Park Board of the Park Plan and Element is expected in May. Discussion ensued regarding clarification of the name for Park Meadows Park. Ralph Yingling moved to make a “Recommendation that the draft Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan and Element of the Monroe Comprehensive Plan be moved forward to the Planning Commission with the realization that minor revisions may still be made”. The motion passed unanimously.

**New Business** – *Draft Agenda* –May 21, 2015 to include approval of the April minutes and a park tour.

**Staff Reports/Updates** –Director Farrell gave an oral department update that included news on events, programs and projects.

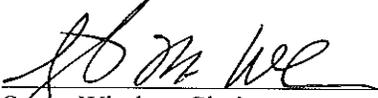
**Board Discussion** – Board member Tami Kinney inquired about an inoperable drinking fountain at Sky River Park. Director Farrell acknowledged that the drinking fountain is out of order and waiting on parts to complete the repair. Board member Karin Coppernoll inquired about the status of the wake park. Director Farrell informed the board that H3O is in the process of proposing to the Monroe City Council a phased approach to developing the cable park which could trigger an amendment to their existing agreement with the City. No development is proposed to be scheduled for this calendar year.

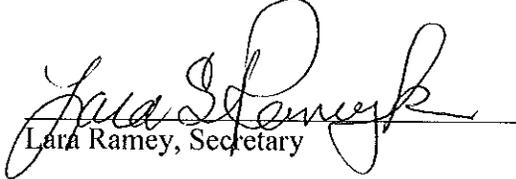
**Agency Reports-** *Planning Commission* –No report.

*School District* – Board member Ralph Yingling briefed the Board on the WWII memorial currently at the school field along N. Kelsey street, the plan that teachers and students have for finishing the memorial, possibly relocating it, and the separate plan that the American Legion has for establishing a veterans memorial in Monroe at a site to be determined. Representatives from the School District, City of Monroe, Monroe Historical Society and American Legion have met to discuss these preliminary plans and options. One option for the memorial at the school field is that the fence could be moved around the monument, which would make it more accessible to the public. Board member Tami Kinney, who serves on the Monroe Historical Society, concurred and added that it would be appropriate for it to remain at Memorial Field in keeping with its original intent if cleaned up. She also stated that there is a scheduled presentation /assembly on June 3<sup>rd</sup> regarding the memorial student project.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Tami Kinney and seconded by Shawna Chamberlain to adjourn. Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.

  
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Steve Whalen, Chairperson

  
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Lara Ramey, Secretary