

## **BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MINUTES**

Wednesday, January 6, 2021 5:30pm, via Zoom

### **Present:**

Sarah Daniels, Troy Kirby, Erwin Vidallon and Aram Wheeler

Excused: Ken Balsley

Staff: Jen Burbidge, Carolyn Elliott, Scott Devlin, Sean Finney and Sue Falash

Public: None present

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 pm, by Chair, Sarah Daniels.

### **Additions or deletions to the Agenda**

**Commissioner Kirby made a motion to approve the agenda as written and Commissioner Vidallon seconded. Motion carried.**

### **Announcements & Introductions**

None

### **Minutes**

**Commissioner Kirby made a motion to approve the December 2, 2020 minutes, and Commissioner Wheeler seconded. Motion carried.**

### **Calendar**

No updates

### **Correspondence**

None

### **Citizen/Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda**

None

### **Old Business**

a) COVID-19 Update. Ms. Burbidge shared the newest guidelines due to COVID-19 as they pertain to Parks, Culture and Recreation. They will take effect Monday, Jan. 11, 2021.

b) Annual Report. Ms. Burbidge reviewed the changes to the annual report.

**Commissioner Vidallon made a motion to approve the Annual Report, and Commissioner Kirby seconded. Motion carried.**

### **New Business**

a) Field Use Fees. Sean Finney explained that a fee increase for 2021 is not recommended due to COVID-19.

b) Park Board & City Council Joint Worksession-March 3, 2021. Ms. Burbidge let everyone know the date for the Joint worksession was printed incorrectly, it is **Thursday, March 4**. The board agreed to cancel the March 3, Park Board meeting.

## **Director's Report**

- a) Staff Presentation-none
- b) Sports Commission update-none
- c) Programs & Special Events. Sue Falash gave highlights of the programs that staff are working on.
  - Today, Jan. 6 was registration for winter programs. Just under \$7,000 was collected for registration of classes. Swim lessons and fitness/lap swim filled and have waiting lists.
  - Elfie in the Parks was very successful with 125 participants. In January, there will be snowman activities in different parks.
  - The VCB is conducting a nationwide search for a new CEO. Interviews will be in March.
  - Cultural Celebration event will be all virtual this year.
- d) Construction Updates
  - 1. Depot and Playground-The fence came down ahead of schedule and the playground is open along with the restrooms.
- e) Planning
  - 1. Greg Cuoio Park Master Plan. Ms. Burbidge shared the list of stakeholders that we currently have and asked for input from the Commissioners on any other groups or community member they think could be added to the list.
  - 2. Community Outreach Project. No timeline yet. Ms. Burbidge has met with one kickoff meeting before the holidays. She will share information as she gets it.
- f) Grants & Budgets-no report
- g) Volunteers-no report
- h) Miscellaneous.
  - 1. Ms. Burbidge shared the new logo and branding for the Lacey Museum and Cultural Center.
  - 2. The Blue Star Memorial by-way marker is completed, and looks wonderful. Ms. Burbidge thanked Scott Devlin and Rick Hood for all their hard work on this project. The Gold Star Monument project is still in progress at the same site and there is a board (Commissioner Kirby is on the board).

## **Commissioner's Report**

Commissioner Wheeler asked if the changes being made under the MLB's new proposal will it have any effect on the timeline of development of Phase 3 of the RAC. Ms. Burbidge has heard about the MLB changes and feels they will spark momentum for a wood bat league in Lacey and will fit in well to be able to hear from the public during the upcoming Community Outreach Project.

## **Chair's Report**

Commissioner Daniels went by Huntamer Park for the first time and really enjoyed the lights at the park and the music over the radio. There were a lot of people out enjoying the park.

## **Committee Reports**

- a) PARC Foundation. No report

## **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

**Next meeting:** Wednesday February 3, 2021 at 5:30pm via Zoom.