

FINAL ADOPTED - Library Board Minutes  
September 5, 2018, 5:30pm  
(Lacey Timberland Library Community Room)

Present: Scott Robinson, Sharla Desy, Amy Blondin, James Murray, Pam Nelson, Sue Falash (Lacey Parks and Rec), Holly Paxson (Lacey Timberland Library Manager)

Scott R. called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Moved, seconded and carried to amend the agenda to allow Sue Falash from Lacey Parks and Rec to speak first.

Minutes from the June 13 meeting were approved as written.

There were no public comments.

Sue Falash presented information on the proposed Metropolitan Park District (MPD) for Lacey.

- As Lacey has grown, the Parks department has been able to acquire land, but has not developed the land. The City Council and the Park Board agree that establishing a MPD as a revenue source needs to go on the ballot.
- The proposed MPD would fund projects that are sustainable and include amenities for all ages with the following priorities:
  - Athletic Fields
  - Spray Park
  - Identify & Replace aging playgrounds
  - Pump System/Irrigation at Rainier Vista
  - Skate Parks
  - Playground at Lacey Museum
- The maximum that could be asked for is 75 cents per \$1000 of property value, but the City of Lacey requires a cap of 47 cents per \$1000.

Scott informed the board that Irene has been re-appointed for another one year term.

Library Manager's Report:

- The library remains fully staffed.
- Holly encouraged everyone to vote in the Great American Read.
- The new website is up but still working out a few bugs.
- TRL has an app (separate from Libby) for holds, searches and g-mail account management.
- Summer Reading grew by more than 200 participants compared to last year.
- The first round of space planning for the building project is complete, and the City has agreed to do project management with the caveat that Spring of 2019 is the earliest they will have staff available.
- Actual construction is expected to begin second quarter of 2020.
- The library will need to conduct a fundraising campaign.

Scott R. reports that the proposed library budget will be presented to the City Council on October 25<sup>th</sup>. There will be public comment periods with final action expected in December. There is expected to be an opportunity around the beginning of November for board members to comment at the budget hearing.

Holly informed the board that TRL Strategic Planning and Community Engagement is wrapping up its initiative from a 5-year plan that ends in 2018. Beginning in 2019 they will build a 3-year plan based on community engagement feedback. This plan will serve 27 branches in 5 counties. Beginning in Spring 2019 Community Conversations will take place. Each conversation will have a facilitator from a different community. The themes and initiatives identified in these conversations will be the basis for focus groups to be formed in Summer 2019.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in the Library Community Room.

Meeting adjourned 6:47.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharla Desy