



PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES April 15, 2019

1. Roll Call:

Members Present: Mayor Scott Korthuis, Ron DeValois, Nick Laninga, Mark Wohlrab

Staff Present: Parks Director Vern Meenderinck; and Admin. Asst. Nancy Norris

2. Action Items:

A. **Approval of minutes from March 18, 2019**

Wohlrab motioned to approve the minutes, Laninga seconded the motion.

Action: The minutes from March 18, 2019 were approved.

B. **YMCA pool bid award to Anderson Poolworks**

The bids came in about \$75,000 higher. The Rec. added \$25,000.

Anderson Poolworks will do the whole project with no subcontractors.

Action: Parks Committees supports awarding the bid to Anderson Poolworks for the needed repairs of the YMCA pool.

C. **Begin planning for a one-way road thru City Park**

Parks Committee reviewed the concept map of a one-way road going thru City Park. The concept drawn is on the 5-year plan.

Other ideas included the road exiting along the East side of the YMCA.

Action: This is the beginning of planning for a one-way road thru City Park.

3. Information items:

A. **Homeowner at 429 Fishtrap Way agreed to install the bushes if the City purchases them.** The homeowner would like to plant the shrubs in October.

B. **Windows ordered for the Benson house**

The new windows have been ordered for Benson house. The earliest they could be installed is approx. 5-7 weeks from now.

C. **Discussion regarding meeting with Rec. District re: bond issue**

The Rec. District will meet with their Attorney to draw up the bond description and meet with the bond council. They have a good start on forming a promotion committee.



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D. Rotary auction and climbing rocks/bb court plans.

The Rotary Club auction raised funds to support a climbing rock park and basketball courts to be constructed at Bender Fields.

Parks Committee reviewed the site plan of the layout and conceptual layout of the project.

E. Conceptual future trail map ideas.

Parks Committee reviewed the Conceptual Trail map that the Trail Committee has been working on.

Park and Trail Advisory recommended adding trails to the west side near the Lynden Business Park area.

Parks Committee had no additional trail recommendations to add.

F. LC middle school volunteers for spreading playground wood chips.

A thank you letter was sent to LC Middle School Students for spreading the wood chips around the Million Smiles playground. It took 3 days, with the work of nine classes of students to spread over $\frac{3}{4}$ of the plie of wood chips. Their help with this project was very much appreciated!

G. Dog leash report-

With Berthusen Park being in the County and owned by the City. Whatcom Humane Society questions whose law do they enforce? The County laws or the City of Lynden's law? This would need legal advice and the County would also need legal permission to enforce animal control in Berthusen Park.

Action: The mayor will have Mike look into the City providing Animal Control out at Berthusen.

4. Items added

Lynden Youth Sports is looking to replace their current storage shed located at Bender Fields with a larger shed. This replacement would be at the expense of LYS.

Next meeting: May 20, 2019

Meeting Adjourned: 4:35pm.