



PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

4: 00 PM. Oct 21, 2019

1. Roll Call:

Members Present:

Mayor Scott Korthuis; Councilors, Ron DeValois, Nick Laninga, and Mark Wohlrab

Staff Present:

City Administrator Mike Martin; Parks Director Vern Meenderinck; and Admin, Assistant Nancy Norris

Public Present:

Kevin Russ

2. Action Items:

A. **Approval of minutes from Sept. 16, 2019**

DeValois motioned to approve the minutes, Laninga seconded the motion

Action:

The Minutes from September 16, 2019 were approved.

B. **Pump track proposal- Kevin Rus**

Kevin Rus made a presentation/proposal to install a BMX pump track at Bender Fields. It would be approximately 120 ft X 80 ft. with an asphalt track. The track would be similar to one built in Pinto Lake. They are in the process of fund raising and will provide all funding and labor. No cost to the City. Kevin is willing to make a presentation to full council in November or December.

Action:

Motion by Wohlrab to approve the concept and forward to full council, second by Laninga.

This project also has full support from the Rotary Club who is installing the new boulder park/basketball/pickleball/ volleyball park.

C. **Recommendation to approve Ordinance 1593- Setting Park hours**

Action:

-The Parks committee is in support of Ordinance 1593- Setting Park hours and recommended forwarding to full council for approval.



- D. Recommendation to approve Resolution 1009- Support for the Rec. District bond issue.

Action:

-Parks committee is in agreement to support the efforts of the Lynden Regional Park and Recreation District in their submitting their bond proposal for approval to the public and recommends full council approving Resolution 1009- Support for the Rec. District bond issue.

3. **Information items:**

- A. Quote for camera through the PD, willing to split the cost
Matt Torok from the PD forwarded a proposal for purchasing remote camera's that operate off of radio waves. The Police Department is willing to split the costs of the receiver and 2 cameras (one of which will be dedicated to the Parks Department).
-Recommendation to move ahead with the purchase which the PD will take care of.
- B. Rotary project- Making great progress:
-So far the Rotary Club has collected over \$400,000 for the project.
-concrete work is completed and it looks amazing
-blacktop work for the courts will be pushed back to next spring to make sure it can set up and seams don't separate due to cold weather. The acrylic finish will be installed at that time also
-light standards will also be pushed back until spring.
-The 3rd boulder should arrive in 4 weeks?
-Community support has be awesome !!
- C. Start looking at what impact fees for parks should look like for budgeting next year.
-Park impact fees for the City were set in 2004 and have not been increased since. Will be comparing our fees with other local communities and make a recommendation on fees and structure sometime next spring.
- D. Art wall report:
-Wohlrab has been in contact with a concrete contractor re: cost/donation of installing an art wall possibly at City Park for our "budding" artists to use rather than the sides of our buildings and playgrounds. Further study on the effectiveness in other cities will follow before a final decision is made.



- E. Letter received: re: skate park- response?**
-We received a letter from a young person requesting a skate park in Lynden. We will respond informing him of the possible pump track which will be able to be used by skaters/scooters etc.

4. Items added

- A. Lynden Youth Sports has requested adding a lean to onto the shop building so they will have a place to store their pitching mounds etc. LYS will pay for the installation and then gift it to the City. Recommendation to have LYS present their plans for approval before a final decision is made.**

Meeting Adjourned at 5:08pm.

Next meeting: November 18

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