

City of Fairview  
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
July 8, 2019

**PRESENT:**

Chair Steve Marker, Deborah Aronson, Hollie Holcombe, Michelle Ellis, Councilor Natalie Voruz

**ABSENT:**

Vice Chair Bob Dolphin, Stuart Johnson

**STAFF:**

Eric Rutledge, Associate Planner

**OTHER ATTENDEES:**

Mayor Cooper, Lisa Barton-Mullins

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Chair Marker called the meeting to order and the roll was called.

**2. REVIEW AND ADOPT MINUTES – June 10, 2019**

Hollie Holcombe moved to approve the minutes from May 13, 2019 and John Sumpter seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**3. DISCUSSION ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Lisa Barton-Mullins reported that she was at Lakeshore Park recently to kayak and noticed excessive fireworks left behind after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday. Ms. Barton-Mullins was able to pick up much of the litter but there was still some left. Chair Marker said that he understands the police are busy this time of year, but has not seen any police cars on his street (NE 217<sup>th</sup> Ave) which is where Lakeshore Park is located. Ms. Barton-Mullins said she spoke with the sheriff's office who said they were very busy on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday. There was discussion about firework activity, litter, and enforcement.

Ms. Barton-Mullins also said she kayaks often on Fairview Lake and reported there is not a safe place to launch without damaging the bank vegetation. The informal launch is currently located to the west of the dock but is either overgrown with vegetation or is not designed as a kayak launch. The dock is also not designed to launch kayaks because it sits high above the water. The committee discussed changes to the area that would be more appropriate for launching a kayak, such as a wider beach.

Councilor Voruz mentioned that vegetation at the west end of the park near the shelter is overgrown, which is impacting the view of the lake. The grasses immediately around the shelter are also overgrown and unkempt. Councilor Voruz also mentioned the fossil table in the new Nature Play Center is not draining water correctly. AP Rutledge said he would have the Public Works team investigate both issues. AP Rutledge noted that with the park improvements such as shelters and Nature Play Center, additional long-term maintenance is also incurred and it's important to find a balance between the capital improvements and long-term staff maintenance capacity.

#### 4. STAFF UPDATES

AP Rutledge reviewed the draft PRAC work plan for 2019-2020, which are intended to support the council goals. The committee reviewed the work plan for consistency with the discussion during the last meeting. There was a correction to the work plan item related to the Pacific Power property – the site is located at the northwest corner of Fairview Parkway and Halsey. No other changes were made. The work plan will be forwarded to council for approval.

#### 5. PELFREY PARK IMPROVEMENTS

AP Rutledge said the play structure at Pelfrey Park is in the budget to be replaced because it is aging. However, the committee has also heard from the public that drainage is an issue in the grassy area. Other ideas for improvements have also been floated including adding community gardens. The next step is to begin the planning process including soliciting feedback from the public.

Councilor Voruz mentioned that the nature play theme was chosen for Lakeshore Park because a traditional playground already existed at Pelfrey Park. If the traditional play structure is removed, the balance within the larger neighborhood would be lost.

Chair Marker asked if a survey would be helpful to obtain feedback. Ms. Holcombe recommended having photos and a map to begin the design process. Ms. Aronson inquired about the demographics of the neighborhood in order to guide the type of improvements that would fit the current community needs. Councilor Voruz recommended obtaining community feedback during an upcoming Neighbor Fair. AP Rutledge said he will take this feedback and begin putting together the planning process.

#### 6. SALSIIH PONDS FISHING EVENT

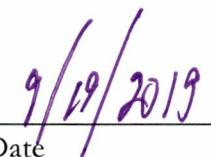
AP Rutledge said that the only update is that ODF&W can stock the pond prior to the event. The biologist expressed the need for the water to be cool enough to place trout in. While the planned date of September 14<sup>th</sup> may work, the later in the season the more likely the temperature will be acceptable for stocking.

Ms. Holcombe said she saw that Blue Lake Regional Park is partnering with “Get Hooked Foundation” a non-profit group that holds events to teach underserved youth how to fish. The organization is holding ongoing events on Thursdays from 10am – noon. Ms. Holcombe said the City may be able to partner with the organization for the event. Chair Marker said that fishing may be limited at Blue Lake Regional Park in the future, because of water pollution. The committee was supportive of looking into the organization and potential opportunities for this event and others.

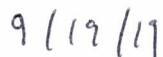
#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Marker adjourned the meeting.

  
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Eric Rutledge  
Associate Planner/Code Compliance Officer

  
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