



Parks & Recreation Commission
7:00 P.M.
May 25, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: Brent Erickson

Present: Eunice Abrahamsen, Juli Bradley, Walt Eby, Cassi Marshall, Mark Nickerson and Melissa Smith.

Excused: Steve Lorenz

Staff Present: Jerry Acheson and Susan Newlove

Public: Don Larson

A motion was made by Eby, seconded by Abrahamsen, and carried that the minutes of the general meeting of April 27, 2011, be approved as written.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Don Larson of 19913 NE 43rd Circle stated that he has been a heavy user of Heritage Trail since 2000. He added that trail usage continues to increase every year and he suggested the addition of 15 parking spaces at the Trail head on Goodwin Road.

Acheson responded that there is a Federally protected plant species near the trailhead. Acheson stated that the City is working with Clark County on this issue and that posting signs directing people to the boat launch is also being considered. Larson also suggested adding a picnic and sitting area on the south side of the trail.

FALLEN LEAF LAKE PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

Acheson asked the Commission for any changes or requests to the draft of the Rules and Regulations for Fallen Leaf Lake Park.

In response to Eby, Acheson stated that it may be possible to have a host at the park during the rental season. Eby suggested a few changes in wording under the rules and regulations section for better clarification. The Board suggested that the wording be changed from park to shelter.

Marshall questioned the issue of alcohol use and Eby suggested that since it is for private use only, alcohol should be allowed. Erickson noted that Blue Lake Park allows alcohol in a specified area. In response to Eby's question regarding use of the lake itself, Acheson stated that the shelter area specifically will be reserved.

Discussion ensued regarding other issues of concern, including the allowance of pets in the facility.

Erickson stated that it will be a special use park for events only. It is only open for private events and the gate will be locked unless it is rented for a private event. Erickson brought up the issue of the placement of garbage containers at the facility and suggested six containers. Eby suggested providing the sanitation supplies needed if the City wants people to clean up after themselves.

OTHER ITEMS

Camas Cemetery – Abrahamsen stated that the Friends of the Cemetery have seventeen volunteers ready for the Memorial Day weekend event and the Friends will be serving refreshments. Eby suggested replacing the security gates at the Cemetery since vandalism has been occurring recently.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 22nd at 7:00 p.m.