

City of Fairview  
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
July 28th, 2016

**PRESENT:**

Darren Riordan, Chair  
Steven Marker, Vice Chair  
Ray Hansen  
Lauri Kreamier  
Steve Kaufman  
Bob Dolphin  
Councilor Tamie Arnold

**ABSENT:**

None

**STAFF:**

Allan Berry, Public Works Director

**OTHER ATTENDEES:**

Brian Cooper (as member of the public)  
Danielle Utter (██████████)  
Becky Schmitz (██████████)

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

Chair Riordan called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**2. REVIEW AND ADOPT MINUTES**

The minutes from the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June 2016 meeting were tabled and reviewed. Kaufman moved to approve the minutes as submitted, Marker seconded it, and minutes were approved by consensus.

**3. STAFF UPDATES**

Berry reminded PRAC of the joint meeting between PRAC and the City Council next Wednesday. A staff report was prepared for the meeting with Council. Allan read the staff report to PRAC for their comments. PRAC were ok with the Staff Report. Berry indicated that during the last PRAC meeting, Peter Armans (staff), presented a conventional play equipment option to PRAC. Armans also forwarded to PRAC by e-mail a pre-engineered pre-manufactured nature play looking equipment.

Marker indicated that the conventional play equipment was previously presented to the Council and they were opposed to it.

**4. DISCUSSION ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA (Public to be heard)**

Marker indicated his concerns with the Cottages' communication with the City in regards to the stocking of West Salish Pond. Marker felt that the Cottages have not been involved by volunteering in discussions and came across as exerting their authority. Marker mentioned that he expected the Cottages to be forthcoming and involved in meetings/discussions during the decision making process rather than after the fact. Marker also indicated that PRAC promised the fishermen, sometime in the past, that the ponds will be stocked with fish.

Berry informed PRAC that the City will be meeting with the Cottages next week to discuss their concern. Berry also mentioned that the City's goal is not allowing the previous destruction to the park to happen again.

Becky Schmitz, a member in the board of directors with the Cottages, indicated that they felt they were not included in the discussion and were informed after conversation started with ODFW. Schmitz asked the City to insure that the nature identity of the park be preserved and insure the appropriate amenities are available to the public.

Berry indicated that the City met with two representatives from the Cottages' board of directors and explained the process prior to the Cottages' letter requesting a meeting with the City. Berry also mentioned that Armans shared the City's implementation/enforcement plan with the Cottages. Berry and Marker mentioned that the City shares the same goals and has the same concerns as the Cottages in regards to the preservation of the Park.

Marker commented that stocking will not happen unless PRAC and the City have a solid implementation plan and an effective enforcement plan.

Marker reported to PRAC about a report on ABC news regarding children getting burned on playground metal equipment caused by metals becoming much hotter than the air temperature.

## **5. ECHO PRESENTATION**

Danielle Utter introduced herself as the new Executive Director of East County Historical Organization (ECHO). Utter reported that ECHO is trying to grow their museums. For Fairview, ECHO wants to invite more of the public to the City Parks during ECHO events. ECHO does gathering events and adult coloring events in gardens which helps adults with anxiety. ECHO would like to emphasize the history by including information on signs at parks. ECHO will be having a large event during the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> weekends of December with multiple vendors and activities.

Utter indicated that Park Cleon, Fairview Community Park, Lakeshore Park and Handy Park all have informational stone signs, made by children, to tell the history behind Fairview. Fairview City Jail is now listed on the national registry of historic sites.

Hansen mentioned that he is working with ECHO to discuss the History of Fairview.

## **6. SALISH PONDS UPDATE**

Berry reported to PRAC that an ordinance passed that limits fishing at Salish to the numbers indicated on the park signs, currently 2 per platform and 4 on the ADA platform. The City will continue to communicate with the Cottages and coordinate with ODFW. The plan is to stock the West Pond with less and smaller fish. The City's goal is to install the signs and stock sometime in September or October.

Schmitz asked if the restroom can remain permanently open. Berry reported the cost to have it permanently open is high requiring an upgrade which is not currently in the budget. Bathrooms would be open during fishing events. Riordan expressed his concern that a bathroom is needed given the increased foot traffic and that the City should assess the cost of adding a bathroom vs. the cost of damage that may be caused to the park if no bathrooms are available.

## **7. LAKESHORE PARK UPDATE**

Berry mentioned that the meeting scheduled between PRAC and the City Council should clarify playground equipment desired at Lakeshore Park. Marker indicated that he likes the pre-engineered nature looking equipment. Berry reported that Armans is still working with the Department of State Lands on the permitting for the bank stabilization project.

The improvements scheduled for this year are bank stabilization, the gazebos, the viewing platforms, clearing of west end vegetation and walking trails.

Dolphin discussed that PRAC's goal is to keep the chain-link fence at the west end of the park.

**8. RECREATIONAL WALKING**

Riordan commended Hansen's efforts in his recommendations for the park benches, trash receptacles and doggy pots.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Kaufman moved to adjourn the meeting, Riordan seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM by consensus.

  
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Peter Armans  
Engineering Associate

  
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Darren Riordan, Chair  
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