ANACORTES PARKS & RECREATION
Advisory Commission
Meeting Minutes

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Doug Colglazier
Aaron Rasmussen, Chairperson
Marcia Hunt
Sarah Nichols

January 11, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT: Doug Colglazier, Sarah Nichols, Marcia Hunt and Aaron Rasmussen.

STAFF PRESENT: Gary Robinson, Jonn Lunsford, Dustin South and Mary Snyder.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:03.

Minutes: Minutes from the December were approved as submitted.

Public Comments: None.

Correspondence/Communications:

- Doug reported that the Park Foundation remains very busy with ongoing projects, such as the Guemes Channel trail and SHIP project. There is still interest in the development of N Avenue and the Foundation has set up an account to accept donations toward the efforts of the Guemes Channel trail.
- Marcia stated that the Forest Board discussed a 20 acre parcel near Scimitar Ridge that was donated in 1997 and trail connections to the ACFL. The existing trails on the parcel were developed for horse use and riders are aware of the availability of such.

Special Events Request: There were three applications for use of Causland Memorial Park for weddings. Shane Castle & Grace Guenther, use date of June 25, 2011, with approximately 120 guests. Luke Harrison & Gina Russnagle, use date of August 27, 2011, with approximately 60 guests. Ashley Janz & Doug Geffe, use date of September 10, 2011, with approximately 75 guests. All uses were approved however all were to be reminded that parking should be arranged to reduce the number of people parking in a residential setting and no receptions are allowed.

Department Reports:

- Jonn reported that Mike Harris completed his work on the tall wall that was storm damaged on the Guemes Channel trail. Chuck has completed the removable planters on Q & R Avenue and drought tolerant plants will be placed. The crew has been working on plumbing problems at Washington Park. Storvik Park has been closed periodically secondary to cold weather but will open once it warms outside. Gearing up for baseball season. There will be a second public meeting on Heart Lake milfoil on January 20 with speakers present who have dealt with the problem.
- Dustin stated that the winter menu has been sent out. The Daddy Daughter Dance will be 2/26/2011. The Sunset Loop Relay Race is scheduled for 3/12/2011. The event will be renamed in honor of Dallas Kloke as well as renaming the Mt. Erie Road and Trail Run. Pee Wee Basketball will be starting soon. The high school sailing team will start in February. The port and small boat center are working to get the pier and dock in.

- Eli Lindbo should be moved into the residence at Washington Park by the end of the month. Details of the arrangement were discussed.
- Gary stated that the SHIP trail should be done within a couple of weeks. The next step will be signage. Gary is working with Transpac on boardwalk portions of the elevated piece. Acquisitions and easements are being developed on the Guemes Channel trail connections. Gary will bring a map of parcels to the next meeting.

Other Business:

- Volunteer Park work continues to rebuild the batting cages/field house. When completed, the structure should be approximately 6500 sq. feet heated space for multiple users. Doug is hopeful that the architecture will spill to 13th Street to help direct people to the fields.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:59 pm.

The ***NEXT REGULAR MEETING*** will be held on ***Tuesday, February 8, 2011 – 6:00 PM***, at City Hall in the Main Floor Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mary A. Snyder APPROVED: 2/8/2011