



Spokane Park Board
October 9, 2014 – 1:30 p.m.
City Hall, City Council Chambers
808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd, Spokane, Washington

Park Board Members:

- X Cameron, Randy – President
- X Chris Wright – Vice President
- X Eadie, Leroy
- X Santorsola, Jim
- X Kelley, Ross
- X Traver, Susan
- X Van Voorhis, Ken
- X Dunau, Andy
- X Selinger, Sam
- X Potratz, Preston
- X Councilman Allen, Mike

Parks Staff:

- Nancy Goodspeed
- Carl Strong
- Tony Madunich
- Sam Song
- Angel Spell
- Steve Nittolo
- Al Vorderbrueggen

Guest(s):

- Bonnie McDade
- Kate Green
- Colleen Snow

MINUTES

1. **Roll Call:** *Leesa Van Zandt*
See above.
2. **Motion No. 1:** Ken Van Voorhis motioned to approve the September 11, 2014, 2014 Regular Park Board Meeting Minutes and Study Session Notes.
Ross Kelley seconded.
Motion carried.
3. **Additions or Deletions to the Agenda:**
None.
4. **Monthly Highlights:**
 - A. We begin today with news regarding tennis: A complete rebuild and resurfacing is underway at the south tennis court in Mission Park. The project includes demolition, re-grading, new asphalt, fence replacement, irrigation and construction of a new accessible pathway. The intent is to have the court open to play again in early spring.
 - B. There's more news regarding tennis. Spokane Parks & Recreation has been awarded the 2014 Distinguished Community Partner Award from the Pacific Northwest Section of the U.S. Tennis Association. This award is a reflection of the fantastic partnership our Recreation staff cultivated with USTA this past summer, providing an exceptional tennis program to hundreds of kids in the Spokane community.
 - C. As you're getting ready for the changing seasons and doing recreational planning, don't forget to check out the Parks & Recreation Fall Activity Guide available now online.
 - D. If you're interested in joining one of our growing athletic leagues, check the website for

detailed information. This is only the 2nd year that we have had a softball program and in the fall alone we have nearly doubled the number of teams participating at 41. That's 18 more than last year!

- E. Volleyball is also growing. We have a total of 39 more teams playing with us in our 2014 Volleyball League as compared with last year.
- F. If you're looking for a fun new sport, Curling is about to begin. Activities include an adult coed league, an introductory Clinic and youth classes.
- G. Turning now to an update on some large projects underway this summer and nearing completion in the fall. The Gaiser Conservatory project in Manito Park is mostly complete. The contractor is waiting for specialized fin tube heating units to work in combination with the heated sidewalks. On the screen you see them pouring one of the heated sidewalks. Staff anticipates a completion date of November 1st.
- H. Also in Manito Park - the Mirror Pond Renovation and Autofill project is on schedule to be completed by the end of the month. A new path with landscaping on the north side of the pond is more than 50% complete, and the Autofill system for water conservation will soon get underway.
- I. And before the snow starts to fall and winter descends, we've got just the promotion to bring you out for a few more rounds of golf. All four courses are now offering an October Promotion with 9 -hole rounds booked after 2:00 p.m. for just \$13. This offer is good just through the end of October. And while you're at it don't forget to check out our early purchase incentives for 2015 golf memberships.
- J. Turning now to winter activities - The Riverfront Park Ice Palace opens for the season on October 22. That's just 13 days away! A great way to start out the season is to sign up for lessons. We offer lessons for all ages and abilities, including Home school & adult lessons, and Parents & Tots lessons for ages 3 and over.
- K. And while we're talking about activities at Riverfront Park here's a reminder that the Park features great opportunities for non-profit organizations to host activities and fundraising events year round.
- L. Mark your calendar for October 25 and join in the fun at the Fall Leaf Festival at the John A. Finch Arboretum. The festival is FREE and features lots of activities for kids and adults alike, including a giant leaf pile just waiting for kids to jump in.
- M. And finally today, Therapeutic Recreation Services is recruiting volunteers to assist with winter activities. Volunteering with TRS will positively impact your life and the lives of others. It all starts by filling out a Volunteer Application. For information contact Alice Busch at 625-6245 or by email, or TTY Line.

5. **Special Guests:**

A. SYSCA Update – *Bonnie McDade, Executive Director, Southside Senior & Community Center; and Kate Green, Executive Director, Northeast Youth Center*

SYSCA has been continuing to work on a participant number collecting and reporting system, new system to begin in January of 2015. Bonnie and Kate updated the Board on the various activities at the Community Centers.

B. Friends of the Moore-Turner Heritage Garden Presentation- *Colleen Snow*

Colleen Snow gave a PowerPoint presentation on the historical and cultural background of the Moore-Turner Heritage Gardens.

6. **Motion No. 2:** Andy Dunau motioned to approve claims for the month of September 2014 in the amount of \$ 1,506,471.36.
Sam Selinger seconded.

Motion carried.

7. **Financial Report & Budget Update:** – *Leroy Eadie*

Leroy Eadie presented the September Financials. The Park Fund Revenue to date is at 97%; the Park Fund Expenditures to date is at 96%; and the Golf Revenue is at 88% and the expenditures are at 99%.

9. **Committee Reports – Action Items:**

Golf Committee: September 17, 2014, *Ross Kelley*

A. The Committee recommended the Board to approve the 2015 Golf Budget.

Motion No. 3: Ross Kelley moved to approve the proposed 2015 Golf Budget.

Sam Selinger seconded.

Motion carried.

B. There was an update on Point of Sale Software.

C. There was discussion on the On Line Tee Time Booking Policy.

D. The August Financials were reviewed.

E. There was a brief update on the Future Capital Expenditures.

F. There was a Revenue Enhancement/Advertising Update.

G. There was an update on course conditions.

H. Next meeting will be on October 15, 2014 at 7 am at the Creek at Qualchan Golf Course.

Land Committee: October 1, 2014, *Ken Van Voorhis*

A. There were no action items.

B. There was discussion on the Tuscan Ridge Conservation Futures nomination.

C. There was discussion regarding the 2015 Budget.

D. There was discussion regarding the former Stanek's property that is adjacent to Thornton Murphy Park property.

E. A written Capital Projects list was provided and reviewed by Staff.

F. Financial statements are through August.

G. The next scheduled meeting is November 5, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. in City Hall Conference Room 5A, Fifth Floor of Spokane City Hall.

Recreation Committee: October 2, 2014, *Susan Traver*

A. The Committee recommended approval of the Aquatic and Field Rental Fees for 2015.

Motion No. 4: Susan Traver moved to approve of the Aquatic and Field Rental Fees for 2015.

Preston Potratz seconded.

Motion carried.

B. There was a discussion on Make a Splash Punch Card Use.

C. There was a discussion on Alcohol Sales at the Franklin Park Complex.

D. There was a discussion on Aquatic and Field Rental Fees for 2015.

E. There was a presentation on Outdoor/Special Interest programs.

F. There was a presentation on an Adaptive Ball field to the Recreation and Conservation Office.

G. The Recreation financials were reviewed and discussed.

H. The next Recreation Committee meeting will be on Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 3:00 p.m., City Hall, 5th Floor Tribal Conference Room 2.

Riverfront Park Committee: October 6, 2014, *Chris Wright*

- A. Discussion took place for amending the City's policy on Artwork in the Park. No action taken.
- B. Debby Dodson went over the September Operation Report.
- C. There was a discussion on the Riverfront Park Master Plan Update.
- D. Debby Dodson discussed the September Financials.
- E. Jenifer Priest gave an update on the Sister Cities Garden discussing the contract received from the landscape architect.
- E. The next regularly scheduled Riverfront Park Committee meeting will be November 10, 2014 at 8:05 a.m., City Hall Conference Room 5A, Fifth Floor.

Finance Committee: October 7, 2014, *Andy Dunau*

- A. The Committee recommended approval of the Aquatic and Field Rental Fees for 2015.

Motion No. 5: Andy Dunau moved to approve the proposed 2015 Budget.

Ken Van Voorhis seconded.

Motion carried.

- B. There was an Information Technology Project Plan Update.
- C. There was discussion on the Riverfront Park Master Plan Finance.
- D. There was a review of the August Financials.
- E. The next regularly scheduled meeting November 11, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. in City Hall Conference Room 5A.

Urban Forestry Tree Committee: September 30, 2014, 2014, *Ken Van Voorhis*

- A. There were no action items.
- B. The 2015 Urban Forestry Budget was discussed.
- C. The 3rd Quarter Staff Report was presented and discussed.
- D. The Citizen Advisory Report was presented and discussed.
- E. The Urban Forestry financial report, as of August 31st, was presented.
- F. Next meeting is scheduled for November 4, 2014 at 4:15 p.m. in the Woodland Center at Finch Arboretum.

By-Laws Committee: *Ross Kelley* reported they did not meet.

11. **Reports:**

Park Board President: *Randy Cameron*

- 1. Randy Cameron thanked Andy Dunau, Penny Brown, Leroy Eadie and the Parks and Recreation Department Heads for their hard work on the proposed 2015 Budget.
- 2. Expo '74 is now winding down. Randy Cameron thanked all staff for their efforts on the summer celebrations in Riverfront Park.
- 3. Randy Cameron expressed his gratitude for Juliet Sinisterra and Leroy Eadie for all their community outreach on the Riverfront Park Master Plan Presentations over the last several months.

Liaison Reports:

- 1. Conservation Futures Liaison – *Ken Van Voorhis* reported that the Conservation Futures nominations are now being evaluated by the County Commissioners.
- 2. Parks Foundation Liaison – *Susan Traver* reported that the Foundation hired a new bookkeeper. The Foundation will be reviewing and revising their policies and procedures. The Foundation held a corporate breakfast in the new City Plaza that

- was catered by Riverfront Park. It was a success.
3. Council Liaison – *No report given.*
 4. Parks Department Revenue & Sponsorship Subcommittee – *Mike Allen* reported that the Committee is working with citizens on a Memorandum of Understanding for the Friends of Indian Canyon. A draft of the Memorandum will be presented in Golf Committee.

Director's Report: *Leroy Eadie*

1. Leroy Eadie thanked the Board for its recognition of the work done on the Riverfront Park Master Plan Presentations to the public.
2. The new Executive Officer, Jason Conley, will begin on November 10, 2014.
3. The Mayor currently has the two nominations for the vacant Park Board position. We should know of the chosen candidate soon.

12. **Correspondence:**

A. Letters: None.

B. Newsletters:

Hillyard Senior Center
Southside Senior & Community Center

13. **Public Comments:** None.

14. **Executive Session:** N/A.

15. **Adjournment:** 3:11 p.m.

A. Next Committee meeting dates:

Golf Committee: October 15, 2014, 7:00 a.m., **Creek at Qualchan Golf Course**

Land Committee: November 5, 2014, 3:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room 5A

Recreation Committee: November 6, 2014, 3:00 p.m., **City Hall Tribal Conference Room 2**

Riverfront Park Committee: November 10, 2014, 8:05 a.m., City Hall Tribal Conference Room 1

Finance Committee: November 11, 3:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room 5A

Urban Forestry Committee: November 4, 2014, 4:15 p.m., Woodland Center

B. Next Park Board meeting date: November 13, 2014, 1:30 p.m., City Council Chambers

C. Next Park Board Study Session: November 13, 3:30 p.m., **City Hall Conference Room 3B**