



**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT**  
**Wednesday, September 26, 2018, 5:00 PM**  
**Lacamas Lodge, 227 NE Lake Road**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Staff: Jerry Acheson, Susan Newlove, Steve Wall

City Council Liaison: Deanna Rusch

Present: Eunice Abrahamsen, Chair Randy Curtis, Steve Lorenz, Cassi Marshall, Dareena Stepanyuk and Katy Daane

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**This was approved.**

- A. Approve the minutes of the Parks Commission meeting held on August 22, 2018.

 [Parks Commission Minutes - August 22, 2018](#)

A motion was made by Lorenz, seconded by Abrahamsen, and carried to accept the Parks Commission Minutes of August 22, 2018.

**This Action Item was approved.**

**III. MEETING ITEMS**

- A. 2019-2020 Parks Maintenance Budget


City of Camas Public Works Director, Steve Wall, reviewed the 2019-2020 Baseline Budget and Decision Packages for the Parks Maintenance Department. The City's recommended budget will move forward to City Council in October. A formal adoption of the 2019-2020 budget will be in December.

Wall stated that the Parks Maintenance budget falls under the Public Works budget. Wall discussed the upcoming Decision packages, the addition of two full time employees, vehicle efficiency, overtime needs, professional services and a potential reduction in seasonal staffing.

Wall stated that the repairs and maintenance budget line includes three Decision Packages; Invasive species removal, Grass Valley Tennis Court resurface and the Prune Hill Playback replacement. Under the replace and maintenance of play equipment budget line are two Decision packages; repair and maintenance of park equipment and an additional vehicle for the new full time employee. In response to Lorenz, Wall stated that they hope to increase the current levels of

service with new employees. In response to Daane about time allocation, Wall stated that the intent is to see an increase of staff time at the parks. Curtis stated that an increase in employees will probably be one of the most important items on this budget proposal. Wall stated that the Cemetery Budget includes a Decision Package proposal for enhanced security in 2020.

B. Third Avenue Trailhead Preliminary Design

 [3rd Avenue Trailhead](#)

[3rd Avenue Trailhead Parking Concepts - A, B, and C](#)

Acheson stated that the 3rd Avenue trailhead project is in partnership with the City of Camas Water/Sewer Department. The pump station is currently in the design phase and scheduled to be built in 2019. The city would like to permit both the Water/Sewer and the Parks project at the same time.

Acheson displayed three options for the project layout. In addition to the pump station, the project includes a reconfigured entry way, restroom, picnic area and 25 parking stalls. The restroom and picnic area will be part of the second phase of this project. After reviewing Options A, B and C, the Parks Commission decided that they like both Options B and C with the addition of a pedestrian access sidewalk for safety concerns at the trailhead.

Acheson stated that Baz Park has a new pump station and will still include parking.

C. North Shore Lacamas Legacy Lands

 [Lacamas Legacy Lands Presentation](#)

Acheson stated that he presented the Lacamas Legacy Lands project to City Council on September 4th and it was well received. His next step is to present a funding option to City Council. It was a combination of both the Conservation Recreation Plan and the City's Strategic Plan that helped guide this project.

Acheson reviewed several open space properties located on the north shore of Lacamas Lake and discussed trail connectivity, facilities and potential Community parks associated with each parcel of land. The main concept of this project is to protect both sides of Lacamas Lake from future development.

The Parks Commission too is very supportive of this project.


#### IV. PROJECT UPDATES

A. Joint Community Center Committee

Stepanyuk stated that she attended the meeting in September where they reviewed a potential full Community Center to include a lap pool, a leisure pool, a

walk track and a gym. Food trucks were also a topic. The estimated cost is 35-40 million. The group felt that Grass Valley is too far from Washougal and Goot Park was a central location to both cities. The Georgia Pacific property was a popular location. The group meets every first Wednesday of the month. Rusch reviewed a few more possible locations and added that information provided by the consultants was interesting.

B. Georgia-Pacific Property

 [Staff Report to Accept Georgia-Pacific Property Donation](#)  
[Georgia-Pacific Property Donation](#)  
[Georgia-Pacific Central Business Center Map](#)

Acheson stated that the city will be accepting the donation from Georgia Pacific of 190 acres along the Mill Ditch, Lacamas Creek and Washougal River. The C.B.C. is owned by Georgia Pacific and is 26 acres in size, this could be a potential site for a community center or park.

**V. OTHER ITEMS**

Pool demolition - Acheson is getting bids for this project in November.

Crown Park Master Plan - Acheson stated that they will present the plan to City Council in October.

All Clark County Parks Meeting - Camas is hosting the annual Clark County Parks meeting, which will be held at the Lodge on Friday, October 19th.

MPD Committee expansion - Acheson stated that they are going to have an open house to recruit supportive groups for this Committee.

Camas Cemetery irrigation system - Lorenz suggested some repairs and maintenance to the current irrigation system at the Camas Cemetery.

Parks Commission Agenda - Curtis suggested adding "Public Comments" to the monthly Parks Commission agenda.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 24th at 5 pm.

**If you will not be able to attend, please contact Susan Newlove at 834- 5307. Thank you.**