

**CITY OF MONROE
PARK BOARD MINUTES
April 18, 2019**

Call To Order

Chairperson Tami Kinney called the Park Board meeting to order at 7:04pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Tami Kinney, Devlin Piplic, Ron Petrick, Jessie Robinson, Michael Stanger
Board Members Absent: Daniel Enrico, Steve Whalen

Agenda Revisions – None

Approval of Minutes - Motion was made by Devlin Piplic and seconded by Jessie Robinson to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2019 meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

Audience Participation – None

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – *Wetland Naming Contest* – Lily Cason of the Snohomish Conservation District briefed the Board on the background of the Wetland Naming contest and presented the top 5 names of 68 student submissions. After a brief discussion, motion made by Michael Stanger, seconded by Jessie Robinson to recommend to the Monroe City Council “Foothills Wetland Preserve” as a name for the City-owned wetland preserve located east of Roosevelt Rd. and north of US 2. Motion passed 5-0.

Park Review – Al Borlin Park– The Board reviewed the Park Plan snapshot of the park. It was noted that the adjacent Lewis Street Park play area is being replaced and that is part of an effort to make park improvements to both Al Borlin Park and Lewis Street Park to open up views and sight-distances. The park is scheduled to be master-planned within the next two years.

Staff Reports/Updates – *Briefing by City Administrator Deborah Knight* – City Administrator Knight briefed the Board on the current number and status of new development plats, work of the 2019 Economic Development Advisory Board and the newly created Homelessness Citizen Advisory Committee.

Parks & Recreation Department Report - Director Farrell distributed copies of the department updates from February and March that included information and updates about activities, projects and park events. Also distributed the 2018 Park Board Annual Report summary.

ECPRD Update – Director Farrell briefed the Board on the East County Park and Recreation District’s proposed park bond measure for November 2019 and the work that a citizens’ advisory committee have done the past 4 months reviewing a list of recommended projects, establishing a priority list, evaluating project costs and have recommended a bond amount to the ECPRD Board. The project listing includes projects in Monroe to replace and upgrade playgrounds through the parks system, extend a trail along Chain Lake Road, funding to complete the Lake Tye Park synthetic fields project and the acquisition and development of a new park in the North Hill area of Monroe.

Board Discussion – *Arbor Day Celebration – Tree City USA Award Presentation* – Board members discussed the upcoming Earth Day & Arbor Day celebration to be held on Friday, April 26 at 1:15pm at

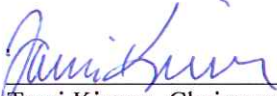
Lake Tye Park. The event will include the announcement of the 2019 heritage trees, presentation of the Tree City USA award to Mayor Geoffrey Thomas and a tree planting by 3rd grade students of Fryelands Elementary School.

Agency Reports- Planning Commission – Michael Stanger reported that the Planning Commission has been working on reviewing updates to the Shoreline Master Plan.

School District – Devlin Piplic reported that the School District is busy with projects including Hidden River Middle School, the high school track, and partnering with Boeing on a remodel of the horticulture shed.

Adjournment

Motion by Michael Stanger and seconded by Ron Petrick to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.



Tami Kinney, Chairperson



Daniel Enrico, Secretary