

**CITY OF MONROE
PARK BOARD MINUTES
March 15, 2012**

Call To Order

Vice Chairperson Ralph Yingling called the Park Board meeting to order at 7:02pm in the Parks/Public Works Conference Room.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Collette Reams, Ralph Yingling, Steve Whalen, Jeff Rasmussen
Board Members Absent: Karin Coppernoll, Shawna Chamberlain, Bill Kristiansen

Agenda Revisions – None

Approval of Minutes - Motion was made by Steve Whalen and seconded by Collette Reams to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2012 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Audience Participation – *E-mail letter from Mr. Douglas Knight*- The Board reviewed Mr. Douglas Knight's e-mail letter regarding his views on current and future uses at Lake Tye Park and his preference that the proposed cable wake park facility be planned and constructed at the Cadman site adjacent to Sky River Park instead of at Lake Tye Park.

Unfinished Business – *History of Skatepark & Review of Proposal* – The Board reviewed the materials the Director Mike Farrell provided regarding the history of the development of the skate park at Lake Tye Park. The Board made the following recommendations for Todd Yingling's proposal of upgrades for the skate park (as was presented to the Board at the February 16, 2012 meeting): The Board would like to see further refinement of the proposal with the following characteristics – addition to be some sort of skateable art; concrete or metal materials (to address durability issue); color added if possible – perhaps stained concrete or painted metal; interesting shapes and colors.

New Business – The draft agenda for the April 19, 2012 regular meeting was discussed. *Election of Officers, Park Review and Plan Plan Review* tabled to the April meeting. Motion made by Collette Reams and seconded by Jeff Rasmussen. Motion carried. Jeff Rasmussen requested that a discussion item regarding the cable wake park and the role of the Board be added to the April meeting agenda.

Staff Reports/Updates – *Director's Report*- The Board reviewed Director Mike Farrell's written department update that included news and activities from January and February that included several repairs and upgrades made to the parks system and ongoing planning for a busy schedule of events and programs for the 2012 season.

Board Discussion -

Rainier View Park – Review – Moved to April regular meeting.
Review Park Plan Elements – Section 4.3-4.5 – Moved to April regular meeting.

Agency Reports


Planning Commission – None.

Monroe School District – Ralph Yingling reported on grant progress for the baseball fields at Monroe High School. A grant was submitted by the School District to Baseball Today for \$300,000 toward artificial surface field development of one of the three ballfields, which would be coupled with the \$200,000 already awarded through the tourism grant.

Adjournment

Motion by Jeff Rasmussen and seconded by Collette Reams to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.



Karin Coppennoll, Chairperson



Collette Reams, Secretary

R YINGLING, Vice Chair