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AGENDA

YELM PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, September 11, 2023 at 9:00 AM

LOCATION: Virtual meeting using Zoom

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
Board Members: Sandi Hanson, Chairperson; Anne Wahrmund, Jesse Kellems, Kayla Russell, Marian Licxandru
Staff: Cody Colt, PW Director; Brad Chatwood, Projects & Program Manager; Becky Jackson, Administrative Assistant; Line Roy, Communications Specialist
3. **Approval of minutes – Meeting Notes from August 14, 2023**
4. **Events In The Park Recap/Updates – Line Roy**
5. **Park Updates – Brad Chatwood/Cody Colt**
 - Dog Park
 - Yelm Prairie Line Trail
 - Rail Removal Notice for Yelm Prairie Line Trail Extension
 - Discussion of outreach concerns from adjacent property owners
 - Cochrane Park
 - Community Garden
 - Veterans Memorial
 - Longmire Park
 - Yelm City Park
 - Fitness Pad
 - Stage
 - Pollinator Project
6. **Yelm Loop Connection – Cody Colt**
7. **Thurston County Trails – Anne Wahrmund**
8. **Futures Conservative Ranking – Anne Wahrmund**
9. **Park Comp Plan Update: Cody Colt**
10. **Other Topics:**
11. **Adjourn:**

Next YPAC Meeting:

THE NEXT YPAC MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023 at 9:00am

PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - MINUTES

August 14, 2023 – 9:00 AM

LOCATION: Zoom

1. **Sandi Hanson** called the meeting to order at 9:03.
2. ***(Board or Commission) Members present:*** Sandi Hanson, Anne Wahrmund, Marian Licxandru
(Board or Commission) Members absent: Kayla Russell Jesse Kellems

Staff: Cody Colt, PW Director; Brad Chatwood, Line Roy, Becky Jackson (RDO)
3. **Approval of minutes:**
No changes to the July 10, 2023 meeting minutes. Minutes stand as presented.
4. **Events in the Park Recap/Updates– Line Roy**
Line recapped past events and upcoming events.
5. **Park Updates – Brad Chatwood/ Cody Colt**
 - **Dog Park** – Bids were opened for the second time and will close on August 30, 2023. Restroom will be included as an add-alternate.
 - **Yelm Prairie Line Trail** – The rails are nearly removed. Concept drawing for the overlook will be shared at the next meeting if completed. Anne shared feedback/concerns from property owner along the trail.
 - **Cochrane Memorial Park** – Waiting for approval from Ecology.
 - **Community Garden** – The Community Garden is in full swing.
 - **Veterans Memorial** – The property located off of Mill Rd has been purchased and Council will make the decision about what it will be used for.
 - **Longmire Park** – Maintenance/Repairs are being done. Sports are still in swing. We continue to have issues with the homeless camping overnight and people bringing dogs to the park.
 - **Yelm City Park** – Splash Pad still running but will start to wind down after Labor Day weekend. Paint was applied to some of the buildings.
 - **Fitness Pad** – Black vinyl fencing will be installed this winter around the fitness pad to prevent access from young children.

- Stage – We received the plans for the stage. Brad and Cody will go over them and decide what is needed now and what can wait. Marian would like to make sure there is a solution for hanging banners on the front of the stage when final plans are being discussed. Trees will be planted as well as adding some small pavilions for shade.
- Pollinator Project – Waiting for the grant and manpower to start.

6. **Yelm Loop Connection – Cody Colt / Brad Chatwood**

No update.

7. **Thurston County Trails - Anne Wahrmund**

No update.

8. **Futures Conservative Ranking – Anne Wahrmund**

No update.

9. **Park Comp Plan Update: Cody Colt**

No update.

10. **Other Topics:**

- We received a full grant to put solar panels and battery backup in the Community Center.

11. **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 10:03.

THE NEXT YELM PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE September 11, 2023

Location: In-Person at 901 Rhoton Rd SE or Via Zoom

Upcoming Meetings

October 9, 2023

November 13, 2023

December 11, 2023

January 8, 2024