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AGENDA

YELM PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, August 8, 2022 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
Staff: Cody Colt, PW Director; Patrick Hughes, Project Manager; Michael Malek, Financial Analyst; Becky Jackson, Administrative Assistant
3. **Approval of minutes – Meeting Notes from July 11, 2022**
4. **Future Conservation Rankings Interest – Cody Colt/Anne Wahrmund**
5. **Prairie Days Subcommittee Report - Michael Malek**
6. **Park Updates - Public Services Staff**
 - Dog Park
 - Cochrane Park
 - Community Garden
 - Yelm Prairie Line Trail
 - Veterans Memorial
 - Longmire Park
 - Yelm City Park
 - Fitness Pad
7. **Yelm Loop Connection – Pat Hughes**
8. **Thurston County Trails – Anne Wahrmund**
9. **Other Topics:**
 - YPAC Vacancy
10. **Adjourn:**

Next YPAC Meeting:

THE NEXT YPAC MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022 at 9:00am
YELM PUBLIC WORKS CONFERENCE ROOM, 901 RHOTON RD, YELM WA or via Zoom

PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - MINUTES

JULY 11, 2022 – 9:00 AM

LOCATION: Zoom

1. **Sandi Hanson** called the meeting to order at 9:05.

2. ***(Board or Commission) Members present:*** Sandi Hanson, Anne Wahrmond, Jesse Kellems
(Board or Commission) Members absent: Kayla Russell

Staff: Cody Colt, PW Director; Patrick Hughes (Absent), Michael Malek (Absent), Becky Jackson (Absent)

3. **Approval of minutes:**

No changes to minutes. Minutes stand as presented from the June 13, 2022 meeting.

4. **Future Conservation Rankings Interest – Anne Wahrmond**

Recommendations from last month were taken to the county commissioners.

5. **Prairie Days Subcommittee Report - Michael Malek**

Michael was not in attendance. Anne mentioned that we need to figure out a transition plan for next year since Michael will not be part of this committee next year. Jesse suggested the Chamber and possibly putting a Board together to handle both Christmas in the Park and Prairie Days.

6. **Park Updates: Pat Hughes/ Cody Colt**

- **Dog Park** – We have full funding but it is not available until October. Construction should start October/November and we hope to open early spring. Sponsorship options will be available to regenerate money back in to the project.
- **Yelm Prairie Line Trail** – We are still waiting on approval for the cultural resource survey. At that time the rails will start to be removed.
- **Cochrane Memorial Park** – Design was approved by Council.
- **Community Garden** – Garden is going well. Sprinkler system was installed as well as the new sidewalk connection.
- **Veterans Memorial** – Design is back from the students at Saint Martins. Cody would like to modify it somewhat and will ask for money in next year's budget.
- **Longmire Park** – A flag pole and the second scoreboard should also be installed this month.
- **Yelm City Park** – We still have the Veterans Memorial and stage left to complete.

- Fitness Pad – The fitness pad has been a huge success. We will install anti-climb device and “No Climbing” sign to prevent kids from climbing on the back of it and destroying the mural.

7. **Yelm Loop Connection: Pat Hughes/ Cody Colt**

The tribe wants to do their own investigation of the historical site. If they decide to, this will push everything else back so construction may not start until January 2024.

8. **Thurston County Trails: Anne Wahrmund**

No new updates.

9. **Other Topics:**

- Joy Adams likes the idea of her donation going towards the two Silver Spruce trees and the remainder of the donation being used for the stage at City Park.
- Cody is looking for ideas for the grassy area at the end of Mosman where construction was just completed.
- We still have a vacancy.

10. **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 9:25.

THE NEXT YELM PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE AUGUST 8, 2022

Location: Zoom

Upcoming Meetings

September 12, 2022

October 10, 2022

November 14, 2022

December 12, 2022