

**Mason County Parks and Trails  
Advisory Board Meeting  
September 23, 2021  
MCRA Administration Office  
411 N 5<sup>th</sup> St.  
Shelton, WA 98584  
5:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE**

- **Meeting Called to Order:** 5:11 PM
- **Present:** Andrew Kinney, Mary Miller, Diane Zoren, Carl Olson
- **Call In:** Jeanne Robinson and Mendy Harlow
  
- **Excused:** Mike DiMatteo
- **Guests:** Bob Droll, Dan Penrose and Chris Overdorf
  
- **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the August 19, 2021 meeting were approved unanimously.
  
- **Agenda:** The agenda for the September 23, 2021 meeting were approved unanimously.
  
- **Public Comment:** (Up to 5 minutes available per person for citizens to address the Parks and Trails Advisory Board.) NONE
  
- **Business Items:**  
**Introductions:** Diane Zoren and Carl Olson introduced themselves to the Board and gave a brief description of their roles with Mason County.

**Comp Plan Update:** Bob Droll asked Carl Olson to put together a list of what he would like to see done with County parks. Carl will also get a list of park amenities and update Bob on what has changed from 2013 to now. It will help putting together an estimate for Capital Improvement plan.  
Dan had handouts for the group, Public Participation Plan, Mission Statement and Community Survey and Discussion Topics.  
The Mission Statement was read and after a brief discussion it was agreed to add “accessible to all” to the statement. The Vision statement will be eliminated and make the Mission statement more robust.

**Survey Update:**

The questions on the 2018 Community Survey were reviewed and discussed. The Board agreed that the demographic questions should include ethnicity and added gender options. Hans said the goal would be to keep the survey to 20 questions or less and a completion time of 5 minutes.  
The survey will be distributed online from different sources including Mason County website and Face Book page. It was suggested that fliers be posted at

other non County parks, churches and YMCA. It may also be included in local utility billing.

Mendy asked that Water Wheel/Sweetwater Park be added to question 13. Even though it is not a County park, it would be good to get public opinion.

Several suggestions were made on changes/additions to some of the questions including adding paddle boarding, and pickle ball, interactive and interpretive facilities, and adventure course or jungle gym to question 16.

There will also be an open text box at the end of the survey for any additional comments the public may want to add.

The Advisory Board will review all the questions and email their suggestions to Hans before the next meeting. Emails will be CC'd to Anne for record retention purposes.

**Open House Dates:** An open house event will be held in North Mason on Wed. November 3<sup>rd</sup> and South Mason on November 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Venues for the open house still to be decided. Notice of place and times will be on the survey.

- **Correspondence/Good of the Order:** : None
- **Meeting Adjourned:** adjourned at 6:46 pm.
- **Next Meeting:** The next scheduled Parks Advisory Board Meeting will be at 5:00 p.m. October 28, 2021 at 411 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Shelton.