

**Mason County Parks and Trails
Advisory Board Meeting
February 22, 2024
MCRA Administration Office
411 N 5th St.
Shelton, WA 98584
5:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE

- **Meeting Called to Order:** 5:05 PM
- **Present:** Bill Long, Diane Zoren, Jeanne Robinson, Shawn Fontane, Kathy Geist, Carl Olson, Mendy Harlow, Dennis Hamilton, Steve Payne
- **Guests:**
- **Zoom:**
- **Excused:**
- **Absent:** John Taylor

- **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes for the February 22, 2024, meeting were approved unanimously.
- **Agenda:** The agenda for the February 22, 2024, meeting was approved unanimously.

- **Public Comment:** (Up to 5 minutes available per person for citizens to address the Parks and Trails Advisory Board.)

- **Business Items:**

Budget Requests: The board would like to recommend a Maintenance 1 position again for 2025 and will prepare to present to the Commission in July 2024. Salary and training cost comparisons have been requested and shall be provided in a future meeting by Parks staff.

Foothills Dog Park: Bill Long presented a pet friendly water fountain for the dog park, along with a quote. He will be in touch with John Taylor and look into installation costs. Also requesting gate to be open/closed by gate keeper year-round.

Sandhill Play Toy: Will begin playground installation approximately March 2024.

Noxious Weeds: Kela wanted the Board to know that she would organize a work party for Truman Glick Park in April, preferably on Earth Day. Kela has since left the County. Her replacement started in March. Parks staff will reach out to arrange gathering volunteers with her and decide how much ivy and vegetation will be removed.

Park Tour: Diane suggested that another park tour be scheduled in Spring especially for the new Park Board members. Cassidy will send out doodle poll to track members availability and schedule transportation with MTA.

Maintenance Report: Staff are preparing for ball season and doing regular maintenance tasks.

Comp Plan: To be reviewed at our next meeting. Information for comp plan and budget to be provided by Cassidy.

Public Comment: (Up to 5 minutes available per person for citizens to address the Parks and Trails Advisory Board.)

- **Correspondence/Good of the Order:** None
- **Meeting Adjourned:** adjourned at 5:34 p.m.
- **Next Meeting:** The next scheduled Parks Advisory Board Meeting will be at 5:00 p.m. March 28th at 411 N 5th Street, Shelton, 98584.