



City of Lakewood

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday January 23, 2024

City of Lakewood – Council Chambers

6000 Main Street SW Lakewood, WA 98499

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Telephone via Zoom: 253.215.8782 Participant ID: 920 3804 6123

CALL TO ORDER

Jason Gerwen called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Members Present: Jason Gerwen-Chair, Vito Iacobazzi- Vice Chair, Alan Billingsley, Anessa McClendon, Janet Spingath, Shelly Thiel

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Members Excused: Kate Read,

Staff Present: Mary Dodsworth – Director, Nikki York – Office Assistant

Youth Council Liaison Present: None

City Council Liaison Present: Ryan Pearson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ALAN BILLINGSLEY MOVED TO ADOPT THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF TUESDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2023. SECONDED BY VITO IACOBAZZI. NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND MPU.

NEW BUSINESS

Elect Chair/Vice Chair

Alan Billingsley made the motion to have Jason Gerwen and Vito Iacobazzi continue in their respective positions of chair and vice chair. Shelly Thiel seconded. MPU

Special Event Update

Lani Neil gave a special event update sharing highlights of the years events including the Welcome Walk, MLK Virtual Video Series, Parks Appreciation Day, Youth Fishing Event, Street Festivals, Farmers Market with healthy bucks, SNAP/EBT and new in 2024

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themed pop up market days, Summer Concerts overlap with the Market, SummerFEST, Fiesta de la Familia, Truck and Tractor Day, Holiday Parade of lights and the possibility of partnering on a Juneteenth event. Mary Dodsworth recognized that Sally Martinez is a creative visionary and wonderful at building relationships and procuring sponsorships.

Directors Report

Mary Dodsworth provided a report with updates including: Tensler Log and Nisqually Partnership Program

NEXT MEETING

The next special meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Lakewood City Hall, 6000 Main St SW, Lakewood, WA 98499

The next regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is scheduled for Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in the American Lake Room at Lakewood City Hall, 6000 Main St SW, Lakewood, WA 98499

ADJOURNMENT

Alan Billingsley moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. Shelly Theil seconded. MPU.



Jason Gerwen, Chair



Nikki York, Office Assistant