

City of Selah
Parks & Recreation Board Minutes
January 11, 2016

Regular Meeting
Selah Council Chambers
115 West Naches Avenue
Selah, WA 98942

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Baranowski called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

B. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Board Members Baranowski, Callahan, Neumeyer, Creach, Moudy, Overby, Smith

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Ty Jones, Public Works Utility Supervisor; Charlie Brown, Recreation Manager; Monica Lake, Executive Assistant

Guests: Sherry Raymond, Mayor; Wayne Petterson; Shirley Johnson-Hoy

C. REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM THE November 16, 2015 MEETING

Board Member Callahan moved, and Board Member Neumeyer seconded, approval of the November 16, 2015 minutes as written. By voice vote, support was unanimous.

D. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Resignation of Board Member Ken Pendleton

Executive Assistant Lake announced that Board Member Pendleton had turned in his resignation to the Board. The Board will accept applications to fill the vacant position.

E. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Volunteer Park – SEPA review phase
 - a. Updates

Recreation Manager Brown said that the park has had its SEPA review, and that the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on January 19th regarding the matter. He went on to say that they are waiting for drawings from Huibregtse, Louman Associates, LLC, and also for the ground to dry, but they hope to begin the construction phase when the weather breaks.

Public Works Utility Supervisor Jones read an email into the record regarding encroachments and the City's position on such. A brief discussion followed.

2. Pool Bond – Passed
 - a. Updates

Recreation Manager Brown stated that the Selah Park & Recreation Service Area Board passed their pool bond with a sixty-six percent majority, and are currently working on an Interlocal agreement between them and the City. A brief discussion followed.

3. Selection of 2016 Chair and Vice Chair

Chairman Baranowski opened the floor for nominations.

Board Member Neumeyer moved, and Board Member Moudy seconded, to keep John Baranowski as Chair and Bill Callahan as Vice Chair for calendar year 2016. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.

F. OLD BUSINESS None

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. Scholarship Program

Recreation Manager Brown referred Board Members to the draft application in front of them, saying that Recreation Coordinator Mullen came up with the idea of a scholarship program for low income families needing assistance to pay for youth sports. He gave a brief explanation of the funds to be used, adding that it can be used for any sports program they wish to participate in, and that interested families have to apply through the Parks Department. He requested a Board Member be appointed as one of those to review applications. After a brief discussion, Board Member Creach volunteered to serve in that capacity.

2. Selah Tomahawks **AGENDA ADD-ON**

Wayne Petterson addressed the Board. He said that the Selah Tomahawks have relocated to Yakima until there are fields available for them to play on, and that he is proposing a complex of six new soccer fields and four football fields on the ridge near the old dump site on Speyers. He gave a brief explanation of his plan for the site and answered questions from Board Members.

H. PARK BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Board Member Moudy had no report.

Board Member Neumeyer said that the start of basketball went well, although he has some concerns about how the teams are made up.

Board Member Creach had no report.

Chairman Baranowski said that they had a snowshoe volleyball match at Playland Park, and posted flyers for Nordic skiing, He will speak to the City Council at a future meeting to provide an introduction regarding the Parks Board.

Board Member Callahan remarked that the pool bond was long overdue.

Board Member Overby had no report.

Board Member Smith had no report.

Recreation Manager Brown said that the plaque for Allen Schmid will be placed at Carlon Park, on a pillar matching the one already in place.

Public Works Utility Supervisor Jones said that the Wixson Park sign has been removed, and a new one is being built. It will be put up when completed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Board Member Creach moved, and Board Member Neumeyer seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.