

PARKS & REC COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Parks and Fair Admin Conference Room

San Juan County Fairgrounds

Thursday September 19th, 2024

Call in (audio only) 1.360.726.3293

Phone Conference ID: 50171955#

Attendance:

Parks & Rec Commission Members Present: Cy Field, Heather Oaksen, Johannes Krieger, Mehgan Alexandra, Bill McGown

Staff Present: Brandon Andrews, Angelica Hadeen

County Council Liaison: Christine Minney

Approval of Minutes: June 2024, Meeting Minutes. Approved as written. Motion by Heather Oaksen, seconded by Johannes Krieger. All Ayes.

Public Access: N/A

Correspondence: N/A

Chair Message: None

Council Liaison Message: County Council approved five affordable housing grants. San Juan County will receive 1.5 million from Department of Commerce for emergency transportation to support three main initiatives: Interisland passenger only water taxi service, Anacortes/San Juan Islands passenger only charter service, and On-call essential/critical services barge transportation. Land Bank will have their open house for the North Shore Preserve on September 28th.

New Business:

Fee Schedule Revision: The following Parks fees were reviewed and approved for change.

- Odlin Large Group Camping- changed to one price year-round.
- Shaw Large Group Camping- changed to one price year-round.
- ESGV rental includes full park.
- All Parks remove Ceremony, Wedding, Reception with and without set up rental from schedule and list them as an Event rental.
- Odlin and Shaw ballfield changed to an Event rental.

Commercial use fees were tabled for discussion until the October meeting. The board would like to reach out and gather information from commercial users on proposed fees.

Old Business: None

Department Updates:

- The PA's office approved the change of terms for the Parks & Recreation commission from a 6-year term to a 3-year term.
- Lopez Island Chamber is setting up a survey for input from the Lopez community about how best to enhance the Lopez village park.
- Eastsound Village Green playground repairs have been completed.
- Brandon will be reaching out to Orcas Center about the issue of trash pick up during their music series.
- The Parks department had a smooth camping season this year.
- The request for LTAC funds this year will be for Park equipment such as new mowers, tractors, and Gem carts. All current equipment is long outdated.
- The request for Reet II funds this year will be for fairgrounds barn repair, new shop at Odlin park, new stairs at Blackie Brady, ESVG restroom upgrade, new stairs at North Beach (SJCP), two new Romtec Vault Toilets.
- The Parks and Recreation Commission is required to take Open Public Meeting Act training. There is a 1 hr. long training course available. Brandon to send out to the board.
- Budget Season is here. The Parks Budget proposal to the Council is October 4th.
- Due to the expiration of Margarets term the commission needs to recruit an additional Orcas Island representative

Adjourn: 6:00PM