

# CITY OF GIG HARBOR COMMITTEE OUTLINE MINUTES

## Parks Commission

Date: April 1, 2009 Time: 5:30 p.m. Location: Community Rooms A&B Scribe: Terri Reed

**Commission Members and Staff Present:** Commissioners: Michael Perrow, Jacquie Goodwill, Emily Cross, Nick Tarabochia and Jim Borgen; Staff Members: David Stubchaer, Lt. Bill Colberg and Terri Reed.

**Others Present:** Bill Bowers (YMCA) and Gary Williamson (Friends of Wilkinson Farm Park)

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Approval of Minutes	March 4, 2009 Minutes	Motion: Move to approve March 4, 2009 minutes as presented.  Goodwill / Cross – unanimously approved.
<b>OLD BUSINESS:</b>		
Wilkinson Farm Park Update	<p>Bill Bowers gave an update on the Friends and Servants program. The YMCA has not approved a staff person to help with the youth program so the work will need to be project-based.</p> <p>Gary Williamson reported that the Friends of Wilkinson Farm (FWF) will not be able to support a garden this year. A lead group is needed to take on this task. There is also a need for netting to keep the deer out of the garden.</p>	<p>Lead group and volunteers are needed for the garden.</p> <p>Commission member Tarabochia can provide the netting when needed.</p>
Park Security	<p>The Commission members expressed their concerns of parks vandalism and illegal activities in the parks to Lt. Bill Colberg from the Police Department.</p> <p>Lt. Colberg explained that the Police Department currently has staffing difficulties and an increased in serious crimes in the area. He said that they would do their best to monitor the parks and they would try and do some walk-throughs in Grandview Forest Park.</p>	

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	Lt. Colberg mentioned the Police Department's concern of patrolling the new portion of the Cushman Trail. He felt it would be best patrolled with some type of "Gator" vehicle.	City staff has expressed their desire to be able to retain the Gator that Stan Palmer Construction was required to have available for trail construction.
Parks Appreciation Day (PAD) 2009	Commission Chair Perrow gave an update on the planning for PAD.	Commissioner park assignments were verified. Commission has invited Council members to participate as site leaders.
PROS Plan Update	Public Works Director Stubchaer reported that the Parks plan may just get an update which would cover any grant requirement needs. A comprehensive PROS Plan may have to wait until there is a budget for a proper survey.	
Sand Volleyball Courts Update	Public Works Director Stubchaer explained that staff had recently met with the Sand Volleyball Group and has been given a list of projects the group desires for the park area. The group was informed that the City had no money available for the projects and that they would have to pursue grants and volunteer opportunities.	Commission member Borgen will contact the Volleyball group about PAD projects.
Cushman Trail Update	Public Works Director Stubchaer gave an update on the trail construction concerns expressed by the Ridge Condo development. He explained that the City and County are working to get TPU approval for planting some trees to screen them from the structure behind their development.	
Adopt-A-Planter Update	Commission member Goodwill made contact with Carola Stark from GHHWA about the possibility of them taking on and managing a City planter program.	Staff will forward planter location information to Commission member Goodwill to pursue this opportunity further with GHHWA and Laureen Lund.
<b>NEW BUSINESS:</b>		
Commission Positions	Due to his yearly scheduled absence in the summer months from the Commission, Vice Chair Tarabochia will not be moving to the Commission Chair position this year.	Motion: Move to nominate Jacquie Goodwill as Chair and Nick Tarabochia as Vice Chair of the Parks Commission.  Borgen / Cross – unanimously approved.
Jerisich Park Proposal	The GHHWA was not present to give their presentation.  Public Works Director Stubchaer went over the	Motion: Move to accept this as part of the Parks Commission and that we would like the City and staff to give us input as it progresses so that we can suggest direction.

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	general concept, which includes moving the paper boxes, dumpster and monument.	Tarabochia / Goodwill – unanimously approved.  GHHWA can provide more information at May Commission meeting.
<b>PARK UPDATES:</b>	Commission members expressed their dislike of the construction signs posted on the Eddon Boat Building and hoped that they would be removed when the painting begins.	The Parks Commission would like to be the ones to invite the Bujacich family to the Opening Day Ceremony of Kenneth Leo Marvin Veterans Memorial Park on May 20 <sup>th</sup> .
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT:</b>	None	
<b>NEXT PARKS MEETING:</b>		May 6, 2009 @ 5:30 p.m.
<b>ADJOURN</b>		Motion to adjourn.  Tarabochia / Cross