



REGULAR MEETING

Parks and Recreation
Advisory Committee
(PRAC)

SPECIAL MEETING

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COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY AND MINUTES

Meeting date: 6/22/2016

Time: 5:00 pm

Location: Library

Committee members present:

Chair person: Richard Chapell

Members: Burl Sheldon, George Figdor, Thom Ely, Meredith Pochardt, Richard Chapell

Guests: Ron Jackson (BA Liaison), Jan Hill (Mayor)

Person filling out form: Richard Chapell

Action items:

- Approved minutes unanimously from 5/18/2016 meeting.

Topics of discussion:

- Response to PRAC motion 5/18/2016 on Lookout Park in harbor expansion
 - Borough Manager Brad Ryan report to Assembly 6/14/2016:
 - As Public Facilities Director, Ryan will lead harbor expansion design and construction, including relocation of Lookout Park, unless directed otherwise by incoming Borough Manager
 - Conceptual design process for moving Lookout Park and routing pedestrians around entire waterfront will begin in FY17 (July 1, 2016)
 - Ryan will present harbor plan at Town Hall meeting on June 29 6:30 pm at Library
 - PRAC members reviewed Borough code specifying parks and recreation dept. and advisory committee duties
 - PRAC members' consensus is that "maintain, promote, and facilitate the use of borough-owned parks and recreational facilities" (HBC 2.105.010) directs PRAC to "act in an advisory capacity to the mayor, manager and assembly" (HBC 2.60.010) on the relocation of Lookout Park.
 - Mayor Hill comments
 - Now that USACE 408 permit is secured, Aesthetics Committee will reactivate
 - PRAC should work on trails, e.g. PC dock to Lookout Park, bathrooms at Battery Point
 - Agreed that that all interested committees should coordinate and work together

- Town Square park update
 - PRAC members will develop suggested improvements to the Borough lot at 3rd & Main to advance the Town Square concept.
- Borough code on Parks: Sheldon will draft new code addressing these points:
 - Definition of Borough park lands
 - Process for designating Borough park lands
 - Catalogue Borough park parcels
 - Camping time limits
 - Fire management: allowed, allowed only in fire grates or rings, not allowed.
 - Animal waste cleanup responsibility
 - Tree cutting prohibition
 - Special events exemptions to above regulations
 - Site specific regulations, such as in code for Picture Point
- Next PRAC event – DNR Chilkat River Beaches parcel site visit to check on current public use.
June 23 6:30 pm meet at the parking lot at the River Rd/Mud Bay Rd intersection.
- Agenda item for next meeting:
 - Invite Ranger Travis Russell to address: enforcement of commercial group tour party limits; prioritize Seduction Point trail maintenance

Next meeting date: July 20, 2016, 5 pm at the library.