

KITSAP COUNTY PARKS ADVISORY BOARD

October 15, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at **6:00 PM** by Vice-Chair **Larry Walker**. Meeting guidelines were read aloud.

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES - September 17, 2025, PAB Meeting Minutes

- **Motion:** Dawn Dockter moved to adopt the minutes.
- **Second:** Lisa Hurt
- **Discussion:** None
- **Vote:** Unanimous approval. No opposition.
→ **September minutes approved.**

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD –

- Rebecca Wood
Comments and concerns regarding the Forest Stewardship and Restoration updates at Banner Forest.
- Joe Lubischer
Comments and concerns were raised regarding the lack of specifics, details, and sentiment for public comments during Parks Dept Parks Advisory Board meetings.
- Alan Marshall
 1. Propose that no heavy equipment be used at Banner Forest
 2. Comments that the 2025 draft Forestry Plan does not align with 2015 Banner Forest Management Plan.
 3. Community wants to assist the county and help steward Banner Forest.

IV. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS –

- a. Nominating Sub-Committee – Chair and Vice Chair position to be filled by January 2026. Jen and Dawn volunteered to be on committee. One vacancy remains.
 - b. Events Policies Update- Alex Hardy presented an overview of the 5 policies, a review of the changes compared to current rental rates.
 - Athletic Fields
 - Community Buildings
 - Fairgrounds and Events
 - Outdoor and Open Spaces
 - Special EventsPAB asked questions and discussed rates and policies.
- **Motion:** Dawn Dockter moved to advance the policies.
 - **Second:** Jen Skalbeck
 - **Discussion:** No further discussion

- **Vote:** Unanimous votes to approve. No opposition.
→ **Advance Events and Fees Policy Updates to BoCC for approval**
- c. Tidelands Easement – County is in discussion regarding the Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe request for a conservation easement over County owned tidelands at Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park.
- d. Olney Creek Fish Passage Project – WSDOT project to remove fish barrier and improve fish habitat. One of four alternative traffic routes during construction would create temporary bypass road through Veteran’s Memorial Park.

V. PARKS REPORT

- a. Director’s Report – provided in writing
- b. 2026 Budget Update – BoCC decision to restore all Park Seasonal positions that the department proposed to cut to meet 2026 budget cuts.

VI. SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING (since last PAB meeting) – None

VII. DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS –

- North District | Stottlemeyer parking lot
 - pothole issues,
 - No speed limit signs at trailhead
 - Trail construction debris by Coyote Trail
 - Appreciation for restoring toilets at Arness Park
- Central District | Trail improvements at Newberry Hill Heritage Park
- South District | New Stewardship Program to begin at Coulter Creek Park

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Joe Lubischer
Comments and questions regarding Event fees and policies, concerns regarding fee schedule equitably reflecting impact and size of group, and concerns regarding safety and conflicts between fast bikers and pedestrians at PGFHP. Comment regarding RCO conversions.
- Carol Price
Comments, concerns and questions about Eglon Park.
- Kathie
Concerns regarding conversions of park lands and conservation easements.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- **Motion:** Dawn Dockter moved to adjourn.
- **Second:** Lisa Hurt
- **Discussion:** None
- **Vote:** Unanimous approval. No opposition.
→ Meeting adjourned at **8:02 PM.**

PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING | ATTENDANCE

PAB MEMBERS		STAFF	PUBLIC (Online Only)
Larry Walker - South	Alex Wisniewski - Director	Bre Ganne – M&O Supervisor	Online public attendee names not captured
Dawn Dockter - South			

Lisa Hurt - North	Alex Hardy – Admin and Events Supervisor	
Nancy Whitaker - Central	Chuck Cuzzetto – Communication and Public Relations Coordinator	
Jen Skalbeck - North	Irene Weber – Natural Resources Supervisors	
