



# CITY OF West Linn

## **Parks & Recreation Advisory Board**

**Meeting September 14, 2020**

**APPROVED**

**Members Present: Mary Baumgardner, Stacy Epsteen, John Linman, Todd Olson, Sarah Silvernail and Eleanor Wynn**

**Staff Present: Ken Warner & Tarra Wiencken**

**Council Liaison: Richard Sakelik and Jules Walters-Alternate**

**Guests: David Tripp, Giulio Ferruzzi, Jane Forbes, Jeffrey Bernasconi, Katherine Ferruzzi, Tim Hoffman, Tom Meier, Doug Vokes**

Meeting called to order at 6:37pm

1. Introductions: All Board Members, Council and City Manager Jerry Gabrielatos
2. Approval of Tonight's Agenda: John moved to approve the agenda. Mary seconded, passed.
3. Approval of Summary Notes
  - a. Eleanor moved to approve the summary notes. John seconded, passed.
4. Community Comments:
  - a. David Tripp wanted to comment on Wilderness Park rules. He has seen an increase in the number of bikes in the park, mostly adults. Concerned about organized races. He would like to see signs at the entrances of the park with language about no bikes on trails.
  - b. Giulio Ferruzzi talked about the pickleball noise issue and the net and posts taken down and the gates being locked. She would like the tennis court open to bring the community back together and restore the quiet neighborhood.
  - c. Jane Forbes wants pickleball to be a permanent ban at Skyline Ridge Park. Acoustic material should be on all 4 sides and the chainlink should be raised to 15'. Pickleball is still being played, citizens brought their own poles and nets.
  - d. Jeffrey Bernasconi talked about noise ordinances in surrounding cities. Decibels are still a concern. Courts should be put back to tennis, no pickleball and ask the police to enforce. Recommend to the City Council a pickleball charter.
  - e. Katherine Ferruzzi said that joy is taken away when pickleball is played. Requests that another suitable place to play is found.
  - f. Tim Hoffman said that Skyline Ridge Park is a tremendous asset to the neighborhood. Tennis courts were in decline and pickleball increased the use at Skyline Ridge. He states that the decibels from pickleball are not as high as landscape power equipment. Propose hours for pickleball, 8am-5pm and add no parking signs along street. The survey that went out to the neighborhood, 50 responded and 37 were in favor of pickleball.





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- e. Stacy made a motion and Mary seconded, "The PRAB will ask Parks staff to setup a webpage that includes a description and/or drawing, representation of the possible pickleball court cover at Tanner Creek Park court, the webpage should also include a place for feedback from a targeted area of neighbors surrounding Tanner Creek Park."
9. Parks Project Updates: Emailed to Board. Website is up to date with status of GoBond Projects.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm