

**2024 General Membership Meeting  
Minutes  
February 3, 2024 9AM  
Lakeside Middle School Auditorium**

<p><b>Call to Order (9:01)</b> and Introduction of Board Members</p> <p><b>There were 59 Park members present at the meeting.</b></p>	<p>Michael McCasland-President Colleen Smith-Secretary Larry Catalano-Project manager Doug Slachter-Membership Paul Anderson-Membership Don Scribner-Public Relations</p> <p>Absent: Mike Knowles-Vice President Julie Billhartz-Treasurer Lane Brunner-Technology</p> <p>Caretaker: Fred Mashtare (not a board member)</p>
<p><b>Unfunded Improvements/Estimates-Larry Catalano</b></p>	<p>launching docks: \$16,500 picnic Table replacements: \$ 6,000 fishing and boat docks (surface replacement and staining): \$1,200-1,800 2 outbuilding roof replacements: \$12,000 bathroom repairs and improvements: \$3,000 play area surface replacement: \$15,000 diseased tree removal (x5): \$ 5,000</p>
<p><b>Treasurer Report-Mike McCasland for Julie Billhartz</b></p>	<p>Members may request copy of the budget through the Board Secretary after the meeting.</p> <p>\$70,000 minimum to open the park.</p> <p>Board discussed an increase of either \$50 or \$100 per member; presented the lesser \$50 increase to the membership. (\$300 annually for either membership or boat slip rentals).</p>
<p><b>Vote on proposed membership fee increase to \$300-Mike McCasland</b></p>	<p>Vote passed: 55 yea, 9 nay</p>
<p><b>Proposed bylaw change to allow member notifications via email, social media, etc. instead of traditional mail-Mike McCasland</b></p>	<p>Vote passed: 64 yea, 1 nay</p>
<p><b>Membership Application process, key &amp; sticker pickup dates for 2024-Doug Slachter and Paul Anderson</b></p>	<p>Membership continues to be in high demand. 20 Associate Members applied but were unable to get memberships during 2023.</p>

	<p>28 “new” Class A Members were unable to get memberships during 2023. Prospective members are encouraged to apply on time, make sure the application is legible/complete (including clearly written and complete email addresses), includes the payment and required verifications. Renewals will be processed immediately upon receipt.</p> <p><b>Renewal Dates:</b>  March 1, 2024 Class A RENEWAL Members  April 1, 2024 Class A NEW Members (not member previous season)  May 1, 2024 ASSOCIATE Members  May 15, 2024 DEADLINE for all applications</p> <p><b>Application Availability:</b>  Our goal is to have the application available in the next 24 hours either downloadable from the website, attached to an email, or at the park gate.</p> <p><b>KEY AND STICKER DISTRIBUTION DATES</b></p> <p>April 20, 2024 9am to noon  April 21, 2024 noon to 4pm  April 27, 2024 9am to noon  April 28, 2024 noon to 4pm</p> <p>Keys &amp; Stickers will be given in person at the park.</p>
<p><b>Note regarding applications for boat slips</b></p>	<p><b>PLEASE INCLUDE STYLE, NAME, AND LENGTH OF BOAT</b> so we can assign slips appropriately for their style and size.</p>
<p><b>Miscellaneous-Mike McCasland</b></p>	<p><b>Bridle Trails:</b> consultation with previous Suncrest Park presidents and review of a deed indicates homeowners adjacent to bridle trails are responsible to maintain and keep clear the first 10 feet (of the 20-foot-wide easement) adjacent to their property.</p> <p>A committee of the Board, along with interested Members (Kevin Dickey volunteered) will investigate, look into production, and place bridle trail signage as needed.</p> <p><b>Shoreline Protection:</b> Remember to keep boat speeds slow to save the shoreline. Don’t dig holes on the beach, or throw beach sand into the water.</p>
<p><b>Questions/Comments from Members-Mike McCasland</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are there rules defining what “maintenance” entails regarding the bridle trails? NO</li> <li>• Are there rules about electric bikes? NO</li> <li>• Is there enforcement authority? NO</li> <li>• Must dogs be leashed? NO; there is no leash law in Stevens County.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Should people be able to drive through their property onto the bridle trail? NO; motorized vehicles are not allowed on the bridle trails.</li><li>• Is there access to the park from the bridle trail? YES, from the hill above the park.</li><li>• Do Members lose their membership if the police must be called regarding rule violations like trespass or disorderly conduct? YES</li><li>• Is it possible to have a walk-in membership? Mike explained this had been discussed in the past, but it was deemed impractical, as was a “launching” only membership.</li><li>• Could the park have a lifeguard? NO; given the cost, insurance issues and liability.</li><li>• Can parking areas be increased? There is a possibility of limited expansion; <b>the Board will revisit this.</b></li><li>• A Member feels fees for boat slips are very underpriced; they could be increased more to help cover the maintenance costs and future expense of replacement. This would place the onus of those future costs more directly on the actual users.</li></ul>
<b>Adjournment</b>	10:15