

Forestry & Parks Commission Meeting

2/8/2024 4:35-5:25pm

Zoom

Meeting called by: Derek Barry

Type of meeting: Forestry & Parks Commission

Facilitator: Derek Barry

Note taker: Derek Barry

Attendees: Commissioners Austin, Bridges, Child, Crawford, Gamon, Haase, Johnson, McCaul
Community Services Manager Derek Barry
Parks Supervisor Dan Gates

Minutes

Agenda item: Approval of the November 30, 2023 meeting minutes **Presenter:** Derek Barry

Discussion: Approved the minutes of the November 30, 2023 meeting.

Conclusions:

Approved

Agenda item: Cemetery Update **Presenter:** Derek Barry

Staff provided an update on the Cemetery. The first green burial service was performed. The operations building is under construction.

Agenda item: Arbor Day 2024 **Presenter:** Derek Barry

Staff discussed the potential locations with the commission. Staff will work with commissioners on determining the best day for the tree planting event, either April 20th or 27th. Future locations were discussed as well as a Main St replanting.

Agenda item: Parks Update **Presenter:** Derek Barry

Staff shared the progress on the Rainier View Playground and Covered Court projects. Also discussed the challenges with the Parks & Trails Plan process has left the City rewriting the plan. Next steps are completion of draft to bring to March meeting for recommendations.

General Comments Consider environmental projects, EPA funding possibilities.
Consider working with Green River College on a plan with invasive plants/watershed.