

**CITY OF MONROE  
PARK BOARD MINUTES  
February 23, 2017**

**Call To Order**

Vice-Chairperson Karin Coppernoll called the Park Board meeting to order at 7:01pm in Fryelands Elementary School.

**Roll Call**

Board Members Present: Steve Whalen, Karin Coppernoll, Shawna Chamberlain, Bridgette Tuttle, Devlin Piplic, James Yap

Board Members Absent: Tami Kinney

**Agenda Revisions** – None

**Approval of Minutes** - Motion was made by Devlin Piplic and seconded by Shawna Chamberlain to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2017 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Audience Participation** – Gary Max, President of Sitelines Park& Playground Products, Inc. made a presentation on a recommended playground replacement design for Lake Tye Park. After the presentation he took comments and answered questions from the audience present. Motion made by Devlin Piplic, seconded by Shawna Chamberlain to recommend that the Monroe City Council approve this playground project for the park.

**Unfinished Business** – *Election of Officers* –Chairperson – Motion made by Steve Whalen and seconded by Karin Coppernoll to nominate Devlin Piplic as Chairperson. Motion passed. Motion made by Bridgette Tuttle and seconded by Shawna Chamberlain to nominate Karin Coppernoll as Vice Chairperson. Motion passed. Motion made by Bridgette Tuttle and seconded by Steve Whalen to nominate Shawna Chamberlain as Secretary. Motion passed.

**New Business** – None

**Staff Reports/Updates** – Director Farrell distributed copies of the department update for activities that included the Wagner Swifts sculpture dedication in the downtown, new tourism-branded banners, Lake Tye playground update, operations work and community service from the Department of Corrections.

**Board Discussion** – Karin Coppernoll commented that she appreciated the playground presentation and was happy to see more inclusive features that will be part of the project, however, she will continue to advocate for more inclusive features and activities be incorporated into the park system whenever there are opportunities to do so. Board members also inquired whether the colors of the new play equipment would fade and how they would hold up to graffiti/vandalism. Director Farrell answered that the materials are graffiti and vandal resistant and that the parks crew would address issues if they arise as part of their maintenance program.

**Agency Reports- Planning Commission** –Bridgette Tuttle reported that Bill Kristiansen was no longer serving on the Planning Commission and that they are working to fill his vacant seat. The Planning Commission continue to work on allowable uses for various businesses in given zones and expect to make a recommendation to the City Council in April.

**School District** – Devlin Piplic shared that the School District is entering the second phase of the new construction project at Park Place Middle School and are reviewing the design for the Salem Woods

Elementary School renovation project. He also noted that the main ballfield at the High School has been completed and that a ribbon-cutting will occur in March.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Steve Whalen and seconded by Devlin Piplic to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

  
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Devlin Piplic, Chairperson

  
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Shawna Chamberlain, Secretary