

**MINUTES
CITY OF LANGLEY
PARKS AND OPEN SPACE COMMISSION
August 9, 2010**

Nancy Rowan called the meeting to order at 3:03.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Cary Peterson, Gail Fleming, Nancy Rowan, Cathy Waymire-Rooks

Members Absent: Tucker Stevens

Staff Present: Fred Evander

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Parks and Open Space Commission did not review the minutes of the June 14, 2010 meeting.

TRAIL PROJECTS

The Commission discussed a concept for trails in the center of Langley, and walked on some of the trails included in the concept. The Commission walked through the central portion of the Langley Well-Site Natural Area and determined that the area had a good habitat with a range of understory plants that were relatively free of invasive species. The Commission determined that the area should: be preserved to the greatest degree possible; possibly have a new name (i.e. the Langley Nature Preserve); and not have a formal trail.

The Commission walked down the west side of the well-site area behind the homes in Northview and saw that there had been some dumping of yard waste along the trail. The Commission determined that the City should write a letter to the residents in Northview to encourage them to not dump their yard waste in the area. The Commission also saw some invasive plants along the walkway and decided that the regular removal of the plants was important to make the appearance and feel of the trail more satisfying.

The Commission walked through a trail in the lower (northern) part of the well-site area. The Commission thought that the trail might work as a path through the area to eventually connect to Sixth Street, but could not determine the exact location of any water associated with the wetland. The Commission decided that it would be better to re-investigate the site in winter (perhaps February) to have less vegetation blocking views of the area, and have a better idea of where the water on the site was located.

PARK MANAGEMENT PLANS –GENERATION PARK CLEANUP

The Commission discussed the Generation Park cleanup to be held on August 28th (which was since changed to September 4th). Nancy Rowan and Fred Evander explained the scope of the cleanup and what the City and the Langley Community Club hoped to accomplish.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 4:15. The meeting began at Mildred Anderson and Faye Bangston Park and continued on trails north of the area. The next regular Parks and Open Space Commission meeting will occur September 13, 2010. Fred Evander recorded the minutes for the meeting.