
**OMAK PARK BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 12, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Pruitt called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm.

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL:

Pat Pruitt – Park Board Chair (Chair)
Melissa Little – Park Commissioner (PC)
Betty Cleveland – Park Commissioner (PC)
Kelly Cariker – Park Commissioner (PC)
Nikki Watts – Park Commissioner (PC)

Kurt Danison – City Planner (CP)
John Marshall – Administrative Assistant (AA)
Wayne Beetchenow – Public Works Director (PWD)

OLD BUSINESS:

Having reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting, PC Cleveland moved to approve the minutes as written and PC Cariker seconded. None were opposed.

All board members had completed the assigned Open Public Meetings Act Training through the State Attorney General's Office website, certificates for this training were handed out and signed. Those certificates will be maintained at City Hall.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Citizen Bret Lobe was recognized by Chair Pruitt. He addressed the Board and discussed the possibility of adding a new T-ball / Minor league field to Eastside Park. He thought the area just north (on the backside of) the Visitor's Information Center would be a good area to put it. He also discussed willingness to help with dirt and preparation for the field. PW Beetchenow also talked about the addition as well as another possible area of improvement for them near the center of the park (just south of the Arena).

Citizen Chris Miller introduced himself and informed the Board of his affiliation with Omak School District. He asked if the City would be interested in a Boys and Girls Club such as the City of Brewster has and stated he is "looking into it." He also asked if it was alright that he attend meetings regularly being a concerned citizen. He was informed that regular Park Board meetings are open to the public and anyone who wishes to attend may do so.

NEW BUSINESS:

AA Marshall provided the Board with Fencing quotes that Public Works had gathered. The Board discussed the quotes and prioritized them as to which they would be proposing them to City Council for next year's budget.

CP Danison brought up the proposed Park Survey and went over it with input from the Board. The Board finalized the changes they wanted to see and CP Danison said that he would get it put together to distribute to the public. CP Danison then provided the Board members with a portion of the Comprehensive Park Plan (CPP) that he had reviewed and made proposed changes and corrections to. He explained that those corrections are highlighted in red and struck through.

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CP Danison and PW Beetchenow left the meeting at 6:00 pm due to other engagements.

The Board continued discussion of park improvements for next year's budget. PC Cleveland then asked if the Park Survey would be completed by the time of the Okanogan County fair (03 September 2025) so that it would be available at the City's booth. AA Marshall said that he would follow up with CP Danison on that.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None.

PC Little moved to adjourn the meeting and PC Watts seconded the motion. Chair Pruitt adjourned the meeting at 6:30 PM.


Pat Pruitt, Chair of the Board


John Marshall, Administrative Assistant