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**Lake Wilderness
Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting
March 30, 2017**

Lake Wilderness Lodge
Grove Room
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Pistoll called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Pistoll took roll call and noted we have a quorum. The following committee members were in attendance; Linda McMonagle, Pat Anderson, Paul Wichelmann, Paul Eaton, and City of Maple Valley Member Representative Diana Pistoll. Sam Whitman was absent.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda with the following changes; under Item 4. Approval of October 16, 2017 meeting minutes, change the date to October 13, 2017. And move New Business Item 8.a. Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair, and Item 8.f. Guest speaker Ginny Sanchez Ballard Executive Director of Nature Vision, up on the agenda to be the first and second order of business respectively. And in the agenda title of Item 8.f.; delete the word "Executive" where it follows the word, "Vision". Motion carried 4-0.

See Item 8.a. Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair below.

See Item 8.f. Guest speaker Ginny Sanchez Ballard, Executive Director of Nature Vision below.

4. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 13, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the October 13, 2016 meeting minutes with the following changes: Item 7. Continued Business, item a., second paragraph from the bottom of page 2, change "went out and looked" to "went out to look"; in the last paragraph in the second sentence, delete the word "and". On page 4 under Item 7.b Budget Discussion, in the fourth paragraph, fourth sentence; delete the duplicate word "in". On page 4 under Item 7.c. Stormwater inflows follow up, in the first paragraph, second sentence, add "that" after the word "location". On page 5 of 7.c. in the first paragraph second sentence delete the word "and" before the word "stormwater" and in the fourth sentence delete the word "here" after the word "possibly".

Motion carried 4-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

6. REPORTS

a. Follow up on 2016 Annual Report REV

A motion was made and seconded to approve the draft annual report with the changes as highlighted in yellow in the "2016 Annual Report REV" in the March 30, 2017 agenda packet.

Motion carried 4-0

A motion was made and seconded to extend the meeting by thirty minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

7. CONTINUES BUSINESS

a. Budget Summaries

Ms. Pistoll gave an overview of the 2016 year end budget and said that all of the lake work was completed and invoiced. She said that the 2016 year end swimming beach program came in under budget because the budget includes dollars for re-sampling if high fecal counts are detected and no high fecal counts were detected. She said that the Hydrilla budget line was not spent, however, a no-cost survey by boat was done in September and no invasive species were found in Pipe Lake or Lake Lucerne. She said a full diver survey, including both lakes, would cost around \$4000 or more.

She noted that at the end of 2016 she purchase a new underwater camera. She said the former five-year old camera burnt out and was not reparable. She said the company the old camera was purchased from (Outdoors Insight) gave the City a 30% discount on the replacement camera. She noted that the 2016 Year End budget report does not reflect that purchase, however, that tax on the camera shows in the 2017 budget under Small Tools and Minor Equipment. She said expenses shown on the 2017 summery to date are for her administrative time.

b. Wilderness Stormwater in flow follow up

Ms. Pistoll reported that no new sampling has been done since August 2016, however, the sampling on the slope above the trail should be getting underway over the next several weeks. She noted that the sampling on the slope has been turned over to Surface Water Management. She said the lake's baseline sampling, initially done in 2015, will likely be done again in 2018.

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Mr. Wichelmann expressed concern about the increased in the number of geese in the lake and park and all their droppings adding nutrients to the lake that can increase algae growth. He questioned whether the city was going to do something about the geese. Chair Anderson concurred and noted he's seen an increase in the geese population.

Ms. Pistoll said that Parks and Recreation have looked into a number of options for geese management but she didn't know whether they were planning on implementing any of the options they've looked into.

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair.

Ms. Pistoll called for nominations for the position of Chair. Pat Anderson was nominated. There were no further nominations for the position of Chair therefore Pat Anderson was elected to the position of Committee Chair. Ms. Pistoll turned the meeting over to Chair Anderson.

Chair Anderson called for nomination for the position of Vice Chair. Paul Wichelmann was nomination. There were no further nominations for the position of Vice Chair therefore Paul Wichelmann was elected to the position of Committee Vice Chair.

b. Open Government Trainings Act

Ms. Pistoll said there is a lot of material in the packet relative to the training that is required of all committee members. She cited the documents and noted that the one page document "*How to Take Online Open Government Training through the Washington State Attorney General's Office Web Page*" does a good job of outlining the needed training. She said she revisited that website and looked at the training materials which provide an option to watch the training videos or review training in a Power Point presentations. She said the training was fairly simple to follow and the "last step" is a link to document the training. She said other members had formerly reported difficulty in prior years, however, she said it seemed to me more straightforward now. She said once members complete the training, they should fill out and print the certificate and submitting it to either her or the City Clerk's office. She said if anyone gets stuck navigating the training website they can call her and she will assist to walk them through it.

c. Boards and Commissions Handbook

Ms. Pistoll said the materials in the packet are for committee to review.

d. Attorney General Open Public Training Act Q&A

This was covered under Item b. above.

e. Open Government Training Act Doc-1

This was covered under Item b. above.

f. Guest Ginny Sanchez Ballard, Executive Director of Nature Vision

Ms. Ballard gave an overview of Nature Vision. She said they provide service to sixty-five thousand students a year. She said they have significant curriculum for schools related to a wide range of environmental topics including programs that align with jurisdictional goals of cities storm water programs. She noted their programs also can benefit schools by providing credits toward a district exemption from stormwater fees.

Ms. Ballard said the teaching staff at Nature Vision have formal teaching experience and science backgrounds. She said Nature Vision has worked with cities, water district and sewer districts among others. She said they have provided programs to Tahoma School District through Covington Water District as well as Cedar River Water District, and a purveyor's consortium. She said there is some overlap in what they provide through other programs, however, water districts programs focus more on water conservation whereas our Committee likely would focus on stormwater pollution prevention. She said programs are typically one hour for K-6 and one to two hours for high school. She said they work to cluster several programs on the same day so that each classroom can cycle through a different program.

The Committee reviewed flyers with various programs offered by Nature Vision. Discussion ensued about the Committee's vision for education. The committee was interested in education that included topics about healthy soils, storm water pollution prevention and nutrient reduction, organisms that live in water and soils, and education about how individuals actions have impacts on the lake's ecosystem.

Ms. Ballard said those topics could be covered in the elementary programs shown on the flyers; for K-5 *Watershed Ecosystems*, grades 2-5 *Wetland Filters*, grades 3-5 *Watershed Dynamics*, K-5 *Water Connection Field Trip*, K-3, *Healthy Water, Healthy Soil*, and grades 4-5 *Healthy Water, Healthy soils*.

Ms. Ballard suggested *Be the Solution* for high school grades 11-12. For grades 9-12, she suggested *Watershed Dynamics*; and *Healthy Water, Healthy Ecosystems*.

Mr. Eaton said that he could design the flyer.

Discussion ensued about the City wanting to offer the programs to schools within the corporate city limits. Mr. Eaton said it wouldn't capture the elementary student who live adjacent to the east side of the lake because they are bussed outside of the City limits.

A Motion was made and approved to develop the program with Nature Vision and provide the programs in the fall 2017 through 2018.

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Motion carried 4-0.

g. 2017 Work plan discussion

The work plan will include the twice annual professional surveys, as well as potential management options undertaken and the development of an education program discussed in New Business, item f.

A brief discussion ensued about lake water levels. Ms. McMonagle related how high lake levels were in perspective to her dock. Chair Anderson said lake levels were quite high, although he has seen them higher. He said he has a point of reference he uses to assess the lake levels and he noted that they have started to recede this week.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

10. NEXT MEETING

The Committee will meet on the following Thursday evenings in 2017 at 6 pm; May 18th, July 13th, and October 5th.

11. ADJOURN

A motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 pm.