

**KIRKLAND PARK BOARD
Minutes of Regular Meeting
January 28, 2026**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The January 28, 2026 Park Board regular meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Chair Jared Silvia.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Board Member Amy Ambrosini, Board member Anika Joshi, Board member Katherine Kearny, Board Member Denise Lindberg, Board Member Paul Stull, Vice-Chair Juliana Born, Chair Jared Silvia

Members Absent: Board Member Berenice Bortoni

Staff Present: Deputy Director John Lloyd, Parks Superintendent Jason Filan, Parks Planning & Development Manager Mariah Gill Murphy, Interim Recreation Manager Jairid Hoehn, Administrative Assistant Emily Lima Welch

Recording Secretary: Administrative Assistant Emily Lima Welch

3. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The October 22, 2025 Park Board meeting minutes were presented to the Board and approved by unanimous consent.

The November 19, 2025 Park Board meeting minutes were presented to the Board and approved by unanimous consent.

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

a. Peter Kirk Pool Enclosure Update

The Park Board received preview of the upcoming presentation with City Council about enclosing the Peter Kirk Pool from Deputy Director Lloyd.

The Board and Staff discussed.

**PARK BOARD RECESSED AT 7:52 PM
PARK BOARD RECONVENED AT 7:57 PM**

b. Joint Meeting with Council Final Preparation

The Park Board finalized preparation for the upcoming joint meeting with City Council scheduled for February 17, 2026 in a discussion led by Deputy Director Lloyd and Administrative Assistant Welch.

The Board and Staff discussed the following discussion topics for the joint session:

- Park Board Work Plan
- Peter Kirk Pool Enclosure
- Community Engagement and the Kraken Project

The Board and Staff made live edits to the Draft Memo. Staff will make final edits and reviews before submission to City Council.

c. Park Projects Update

Park Planning & Development Manager Murphy presented the status of active and upcoming projects from the current Parks Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

She noted that several events related to capital projects will be upcoming in the next several months including: a ribbon cutting for the improved Juanita Beach Dog Park, a photo opportunity with Council for the upgraded Juanita Beach Park north ballfields, and a dedication of the new “Crabby Old Pharts” community garden located at Rose Hill Meadows. These are expected for Spring 2026.

Staff answered questions from the Board.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Correspondence

None

b. Park Board Member Reports

Board Member Kearny shared a personal anecdote about the Recreation Program Rock Steady Boxing, the community developed there, and the positive impact it has on people’s lives.

Vice Chair Born reported on attending the Market Neighborhood Association meeting. The Market neighborhood group expressed interest in the next steps on the Kraken project, planning a summer community event at Heritage Park, and in having a Park Board member present at a future Neighborhood Association meeting.

No further reports were presented.

c. Staff Updates and Information

Events & Services Manager Burgess reported on the continued development of the sponsorship program in preparation of Celebrate Kirkland and other events. She also provided some short updates on the Spring/Summer 2026 Parks & Recreation Guide and some future social media campaigns.

Interim Recreation Manager Hoehn reported on 15 new classes beginning this season, including several located at KTUB, including Indoor Play for preschool, Pound Class for adult fitness. He also mentioned some upcoming changes to field allocations for the spring/summer 2026 season.

Parks Superintendent Filan reported on the recent promotion of a Senior Groundsperson and that the team will have 2 open Groundsperson positions in the next several weeks. He also noted that the North Rose Hill Woodlands Park playground is currently closed due to a safety hazard and is pending repair by staff.

Administrative Assistant Welch reported on the 2026 Summer Hiring Season kicked off, and all contingent and seasonal postings will begin going live in the next several weeks.

d. Comments from the Chair

No reports were presented.

7. FUTURE AGENDA REVIEW

The Board previewed the tentative February Park Board agenda. The Board will review the full year of tentative 2026 agendas at next month's session.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Silvia adjourned the meeting at 9:12 PM by unanimous consent.

Emily Lima Welch

Emily Lima Welch, Recording Secretary
Parks and Community Services

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Jared Silvia, Chair
Park Board


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