

## Safety and Security Minutes

May 2, 2026

Community Participants: Carol Gruen, Alicia Roberts Frank, Mike Frank, and Board representative Helen Kuebel on phone call.

Mike Frank reported that he has replaced the lights on the storage building and they are lighting up the path area. It was decided to see how they work before deciding on any other lights at the Main Rec Area at this time. He will also be painting over the graffiti on the fence at the Sports Park on 101.

It was felt that the speed sign was a good reminder, and Alicia will ask Becky to put one up at the entrance when the weather encourages children to be outside.

We had the speed watch equipment for a week in April. We have no report on the results.

Wendy Harris has three proposals for life vests for each of our water parks and will be emailing that information to the committee. We will decide which one would be the best for our parks.

Maintenance reported there were no new incidents of vandalism at the Tot Lot. Three mole traps were stolen and none have been returned. Maintenance has two trail cameras on order and will be putting them up and moving them from park to park.

Maintenance also reported issues with the tension on the gates to the Main Rec Area. They are set to close after someone enters, but they are being adjusted so the gates stay open. Maintenance has been adjusting them on a weekly basis. Maintenance is looking at whether a steel plate along the side of the gate and at the bottom would help with the issue.

Our Town Hall meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at McLane School cafeteria. Rebecca Ziesemer, Olympia Police Department Community Programs and Office Watkins will be our speakers at the meeting on Neighborhood Watch and what to do in an emergency, along with other safety issues.

Carol Gruen worked with Elle Burger and created a map dividing our community into zones to work with the Lake Committee on keeping drains clean and other safety issues.

A reminder to residents to let them know that Ralph Oliver does vacation checks for individuals requesting them.

Helen Kuebel is meeting with Ralph and gets a written report from him each month to keep us up to date on what is happening in our community. It is important that

vandalism is reported both to Ralph and Louise Becker (now doing the newsletter until Wendy Harris takes over as the new community secretary) so that residents know what is happening.

The names of our four parks, Sports Park, Main Rec Area, Westside Park and Tot lot have been shared with the fire and police departments along with the code to allow them entrance to the parks.

Maintenance is looking at more mulch for the entrance to the Westside Rec to cover the tree roots at the entrance to the park.

Maintenance is looking into gate upgrade to make sure they close after being opened. A reminder, dogs are not to be in the parks except on Dog Days when there is a committee to make sure the parks are clean after the event.

Carol Gruen, Committee Chair