



# Peninsula Metropolitan Park District

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## MINUTES OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

Monday, January 11, 2016

**PRESENT:**           **Board Members**  
Todd Iverson  
Kurt Grimmer  
Steve Nixon  
Maryellen (Missy) Hill

**ABSENT:**           **Board Members**  
None

**Staff**  
Eric Guenther  
Elaine Sorensen  
Gretchen Hayes

**Visitors**

Joel Wingard	Sandra Kern
Thomas Sadler	Terri Anderson
Mac Fields	Kathy Fields
Phil Fields	Ann Fields
Gary Hall	Dori Nixon
Cheri Campbell	Amanda Babich
Julie Gustanski	Christine Jackson
Will Nixon	Rand Wilhelmsen
Penny Wilhelmsen	John Hellwich
Randy Boss	Jon Ortgiesen

**PLACE:**           PenMet Parks  
Sehmel Homestead Park Volunteer Vern Pavilion  
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## OATH OF OFFICE

Julie Gustanski administered the Oath of Office to Incoming Elected Commissioner Maryellen (Missy) Hill for position #2.

Dori Nixon administered the Oath of Office to Incoming Elected Commissioner Steve Nixon position #3.

### **6:15 PM CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Peninsula Metropolitan Park District was called to order by Commissioner Iverson at 6:15 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### ITEM 1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Grimmer made a motion to approve the agenda, Commissioner Nixon seconded the motion. Commissioner Iverson then called for the vote and the motion passed 4-0.

### ITEM 2 CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Jon Ortgiesen noted to the Board that he has come to the meeting to show his support for BMX in Gig Harbor. Mr. Ortgiesen offered his drawings, plans and help for the possible construction of a BMX track on the recovery center which is a former Pierce County 97-acre refuse site.

### ITEM 3 PRESENTATIONS

#### **3.A Staff Report**

None

#### **3.B President's Report**

Commissioner Iverson noted that a new commissioner will be picked to be appointed to the Board. He also noted that the Peninsula Gardens development will be started this year.

**ITEM 4      CONSENT AGENDA**

**4.A Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- December 14, 2015

**4.B Approval of Voucher List(s)**

- Summary: \$58,009.09
  - District reference numbers: 2015515-2015539
- Summary: \$14,319.78
  - District reference numbers: 2015540-2015544
- Summary: \$59,967.10
  - District reference numbers: 2015545-2015571

**4.C Approval of Consent Agenda**

Motion By: Commissioner Grimmer    Second: Commissioner Nixon

Ayes: 4    Nays: 0    Absent: 0    Abstaining: 0

**ITEM 5      UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**5.A 2016 Election of Officers**

Commissioner Iverson reopened the nominations of officers at 6:21 p.m. and stated that there was a nomination on the floor for President of the Board for 2016 of Commissioner Todd Iverson and called for any further nominations for President. There were no further nominations.

Commissioner Iverson then called for the vote on the nomination of Todd Iverson as President of the Board for 2016; the vote passed 4-0.

Commissioner Iverson stated that there was a nomination on the floor for Clerk of the Board for 2016 of Commissioner Kurt Grimmer and called for any further nominations for Clerk. There were no further nominations.

Commissioner Iverson then called for the vote on the nomination of Kurt Grimmer as Clerk of the Board for 2016; the vote passed 4-0.

Commissioner Iverson closed the meeting for the election of officers for 2016 at 6:25 p.m.

**ITEM 6      NEW BUSINESS**

**6.A      Resolution 2016-001 RCO Fee Waiver Policy**

Eric Guenther reviewed the adopted changes to the policy from the last Board meeting, answered questions from the Board and requested approval of the resolution. Commissioner Grimmer made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-001; Commissioner Hill seconded the motion. Commissioner Iverson then called for the vote and the motion passed 4-0.

**6.B      Resolution 2016-002 Peninsula School District Continuing Educational Programs & Operations (M&O) Levy**

Commissioner Nixon made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-002; Commissioner Grimmer seconded the motion. Commissioner Iverson noted that the Park District works closely with the School District and he is very supportive of this levy.

John Hellwich distributed a flyer about the levy to the Board of Commissioners and noted that this levy funds about 25% of school operations.

Commissioner Iverson then called for a vote and the motion passed 4-0.

**ITEM 7      CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS TO FILL OPEN BOARD POSITION**

The Board interviewed three candidates Joel Wingard, Randy Boss and Amanda Babich for Board Position #5.

**ITEM 8      EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. for 15 minutes to evaluate the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office per RCW 42.30.110(1)(h). The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. and went back into Regular Session.

**ITEM 9      MOTION TO APPOINT OPEN BOARD POSITION**

Commissioner Grimmer made a motion to appoint Amanda Babich to open Board Position #5. Commissioner Nixon seconded the motion. Commissioner Iverson then called for a vote and the motion passed 4-0.

Commissioner Iverson noted that it was a difficult decision and he thanked all three candidates for applying for the position.

**ITEM 10 TENTATIVE DATE(S) FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING(S)**

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>.

**ITEM 11 ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Nixon made a motion to adjourn the meeting,  
Commissioner Grimmer seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10  
p.m.

**APPROVED BY BOARD ON:** \_\_\_\_\_

*2-8-16*



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President

Submitted by: *Elaine Sorensen*

  
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Clerk