



Peninsula Metropolitan Park District

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MINUTES OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

Monday January 25, 2016

PRESENT:

Board Members

Todd Iverson

Kurt Grimmer

Steve Nixon

Missy Hill

Amanda Babich

Staff

Eric Guenther

Elaine Sorensen

Gretchen Hayes

Chuck Cuzzetto

Michael Schick

Visitors

Leo Bundick

PLACE:

PenMet Parks

Sehmel Homestead Park Volunteer Vern Pavilion

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CALL TO ORDER: 6:15 P.M.

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 Hill made a motion to approve the agenda, Commissioner Grimmer seconded the motion. Commissioner Iverson then called for the vote and the motion passed 5-0.

ITEM 2 CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

ITEM 3 PRESENTATIONS

3.A Staff Report

Eric Guenther noted to the Board that EMC Research is available to do a bond polling survey.

3.B President's Report

Commissioner Iverson noted that Commissioner Junge has sent an email regarding the future possibility of Rotary receiving and investing outside funds from non-profit organizations and establishing a "Friends of the Park" group.

ITEM 4 CONSENT AGENDA

4.A Approval of Meeting Minutes

- None

4.B Approval of Voucher List(s)

- Summary: \$13,406.83
 - District reference numbers: 2015572-2015575
- Summary: \$55,592.78
 - District reference numbers: 2016001-2016006
- Summary: \$42,353.73
 - District reference numbers: 2016007-2016020

4.C Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion By: Commissioner Grimmer Second: Commissioner Nixon

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

ITEM 5 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.A None

ITEM 6 NEW BUSINESS

6.A Discussion - Design and Development of Peninsula Gardens

Gretchen Hayes reviewed the history and current and future programming of the recreation department. She noted that having a smaller extra artificial turf field, another party room and class rooms would help her meet the demand from the community for more programs and indoor space. Ms. Hayes also noted that her current direction from the Board for PenMet Parks' recreation programs is to fill the niche of what is not being offered by others in the community and to not compete with them. The recreation staff then answered questions from the commissioners. Commissioner Nixon requested a report from staff regarding the service area for the current indoor soccer center.

The Board was in agreement to move forward with Peninsula Gardens Park and that it is the number one priority for the District.

The Board then had a discussion regarding hiring a bond polling services company to do a survey and gather information about what the community wants at Peninsula Gardens and in a future bond. After discussion, the Board requested staff to bring a resolution forward for a vote at the next Board meeting for a bond polling services company.

The Board then discussed moving forward with the current metal building conceptual plan and RFP responses or submitting and advertising a new RFP with a new conventional framed community center design for the site.

Mr. Leo Bundick commented that the Board needs to do this community center right the first time with a critical audit process that a bond requires.

Commissioner Iverson and Commissioner Babich noted concern regarding the current conceptual plan and its ability to serve a large population of the community with a variety of professional quality and affordable recreation programs and rental spaces.

Commissioner Iverson then did a poll of the Board and it was 3–2 to move forward with the current RFP consultants and components of the current conceptual plan and to interview them at the next Board meeting.

6.B Discussion - Capital Improvement Projects

Eric Guenther reviewed the long-range capital projects plan.

The Board noted that the current projects that are budgeted in the 2016 budget should continue to be constructed which include the DeMolay Nature Preserve Caretaker Residence, Sehmel Homestead Park Bathrooms, Maintenance Barn, and Sehmel Homestead Park Infields.


ITEM 7 COMMENTS BY THE BOARD

None

ITEM 8 ADJOURNMENT

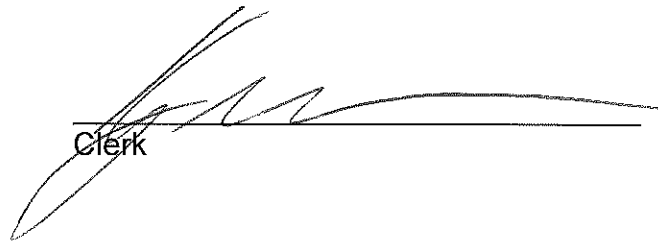
Commissioner Grimmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Nixon seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

APPROVED BY BOARD ON: 2-8-16



President

Submitted by: *Elaine Sorensen*



Clerk