



Peninsula Metropolitan Park District

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"Today We Touch Tomorrow"

MINUTES OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

Monday, July 10th, 2017

PRESENT:

Board Members

Kurt Grimmer
Maryellen (Missy) Hill (arrived at 6:20 p.m.)
Steve Nixon
Amanda Babich

ABSENT:

Todd Iverson (excused)

Staff

Eric Guenther
Terry Lee
Jase Newton

Visitors

Kirsten Gregory
Laurel Kingsbury

PLACE:

PenMet Parks
Sehmel Homestead Park Volunteer Vern Pavilion
10123 78th Avenue NW
Gig Harbor, WA 98332

CALL TO ORDER:

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

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM 1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Nixon made a motion to approve the agenda, and Commissioner Babich seconded the motion. Commissioner Grimmer called for the vote and the motion passed 3-0. Commissioner Hill arrived after the vote at 6:20 p.m.

ITEM 2 CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

ITEM 3 PRESENTATIONS

None

ITEM 4 CONSENT AGENDA

4.A Approval of Meeting Minutes

- May 22, 2017
- June 14, 2017

4.B Approval of Voucher List(s)

- Summary: \$106,261.67
 - District reference numbers: 2017217-2017238
- Summary: \$238,191.00
 - District reference numbers: 2017239-2017267
- Summary: \$20,628.66
 - District reference numbers: 2017268-2017285
- Summary: \$48,945.95
 - District reference numbers: 2017286-2017289

4.C Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion By: Commissioner Babich Second: Commissioner Nixon
Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 2 Abstaining: 0

Commissioner Hill arrived after the vote at 6:20 p.m.

ITEM 5 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.A None

ITEM 6 NEW BUSINESS

6.A Quarterly Staff Report Update

Jase Newton gave an overview about facility rentals and upcoming events. Rental revenue is higher in 2017 than in previous years, and the number of users is up as well.

Upcoming events include the AUSA Military appreciation day on August 4th, the Harbor Soccer Club 3v3 Tournament and celebration night on August 13th, and the Harbor Soccer Club TYEE Cup on August 18th, 19th, and 20th.

6.B Discussion – November 2017 Levy Lid Lift

Terry Lee went over the process of adding a measure to the ballot, and the history of ballot measures with the voting public. He then asked the board what items they would like to see added to the ballot measure if they went forward with the lid lift. He noted that the recent survey that the district performed came back with high areas of interest in salt water access and trails.

Commissioner Nixon indicated that he believes that Harbor Family Park and Peninsula Gardens are top projects. He believes that a lid lift is a good idea and would be in support. He also likes how it would improve our debt ratio, and that a lid lift would help allow the district to better plan for the future.

Commissioner Babich noted that she is also in favor. She believes that a lid lift would be the most appropriate step to go forward to the voters. She noted that conservation of land would be very important to include in the lid lift description as well.

Commissioner Grimmer agreed with both Commissioner Nixon and Commissioner Babich. He believes the voters should decide where the district should go moving forward.

Commissioner Babich indicated that she likes the idea of including new programming for young adults with disabilities and seniors. The board agreed.

Eric Guenther suggested a Special Board meeting to discuss the levy lid lift further, and to prepare a resolution that can be voted on at the next regularly scheduled meeting. The board suggested that a meeting be held on Tuesday, July 18th.

6.C Discussion – School District Interlocal Agreement

Terry Lee discussed the history of interlocal agreements on the peninsula in the past.

Commissioner Babich liked the idea of an agreement to help lower the costs of programs and rentals. It would also allow the district to develop new programs that could be held on school fields in the future.

Commissioner Hill would like to see more of the PenMet Parks programming held at our own facilities, but also liked the idea of summer programming at school district locations.

Commissioner Nixon would prefer to see the district partner with Key Peninsula Parks or the City of Gig Harbor for field use.

Commissioner Grimmer suggested that Terry Lee ask other local agencies about their interest in an agreement, and would like to discuss further at a future meeting.

ITEM 7 COMMENTS BY BOARD

None

ITEM 8 TENTATIVE DATE(S) FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING(S)

The next Special Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 18th at 6:15 p.m. in the Volunteer Vern Pavilion.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 24th at 6:15 p.m. in the Volunteer Vern Pavilion.

ITEM 9 EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ITEM 10 ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hill made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Nixon seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED BY BOARD ON: 7/24/17
[Signature] [Signature]
President Clerk

Submitted by: *Jase Newton*