



Peninsula Metropolitan Park District

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MINUTES OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING

Monday December 14, 2009

PRESENT:

Board Members

William Sehmel

Scott Junge

Curtis L. Hancock

Todd Iverson

Jon Orgiesen

Staff

Marc Connelly

Elaine Sorensen

Eric Guenther

Visitors

Vernon Young – Envirocorps

PLACE:

PenMet Parks

Administrative Offices

3622 Grandview Street

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5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Peninsula Metropolitan Park District was called to order by Commissioner Sehmel at 5:00 PM.

STUDY SESSION:

ITEM 1A COMMISSIONER COMPENSATION POLICY REVISION

Marc Connelly noted to the Board that this policy has been revised due to comments from the State Auditor that we may want to consider better defining Commissioner volunteer activities versus District business which is paid compensation.

Commissioner Sehmel noted that this policy will be included in the form of a resolution at the December 21st Board meeting for approval and he encouraged the Board to read it and forward any comments regarding the policy to Marc Connelly.

ITEM 1B CONCESSIONS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Marc Connelly reviewed the concessions RFP and timeline with the Board and answered several questions regarding advertising the RFP, scheduling, menu, renewal of the contract, response review, and timeline.

Commissioner Sehmel noted that a change be made to the document that copies of concessions tapes are acceptable versus originals.

Commissioner Junge requested an explanation of the taxes due on concessions and requested that staff also check to see if the liability of leasehold taxes could be made the vendors responsibility.

Marc Connelly noted to the Board that the RFP will be mailed out before the end of the week.

ITEM 1C SEHMEL HOMESTEAD PARK COMPLETION WORK PLAN

Marc Connelly reviewed the schedule and his strategies for timely completion of the park. Mr. Connelly also talked to the Board about how he will notify them of any delays due to weather etc. The Board then discussed the warranties on the project regarding the trees, shrubs and sod.

Commissioner Hancock and Commissioner Sehmel requested that dates be added to the schedule and report for items such as substantial completion. The discussion also included comments on liquidated damages, legal contract date, onsite caretakers, installation of permanent power and water to the site, offsite work and the addition of the swings.

Marc Connelly noted that he has six applications for the on-site caretakers and he is staying in contact with all of them about their availability.

Commissioner Sehmel asked about any potential donations for the naming rights of the park. Marc Connelly noted that he has had calls regarding naming rights and donations. Commissioner Sehmel noted that the District should start to work on a plan for marketing and donating to the park. Eric Guenther noted to the Board that he will begin scheduling the park March 1st for baseball fields or as soon as the park is available. The Board then discussed selling baseball fence signs and was in general agreement that they will not sell signage at Sehmel Homestead Park. Marc Connelly noted that the staff will come to the next meeting with a list of opportunities that could be funded in the park.

Commissioner Sehmel noted that he saw two young girls ice skating on the 30-foot deep pond and asked them to leave. Commissioner Hancock also noted that he saw some young boys throwing the over-flow rocks out onto the ice.

ITEM 1D & 1E SPRAY & DOG PARK PRESENTATION

Commissioner Hancock requested \$5,000 to do a plan rendering of what a potential spray park would look like in the Gig Harbor north area and provided a Power Point presentation and discussion of spray and dog parks in Metro Parks Tacoma and throughout the United States. The Board then discussed the cost of these developments and the land that is currently available for these types of parks in Gig Harbor. Commissioner Iverson gave approval for the funding but Commissioner Sehmel noted that the Board cannot take action at this meeting. The Board discussed several parcels of land for a dog park including McCormick Forest, Harbor Family Park, Maplewood and Kopachuck and will bring this issue back at a future meeting.

ITEM 1F PEG GRANTS

Marc Connelly gave some brief remarks on the PEG grants and both were reviewed by the Board for possible approval at the December 21st Board meeting.

Vernon Young then presented a written litter free proposal report for the Board to review.

ITEM 2 EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board then went into Executive Session at 6:24 for 15 minutes to discuss a real estate matter.


ITEM 3 ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Junge made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Sehmel seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 6:41p.m.

APPROVED BY BOARD ON: 12-21-09



President

 12-21-09

Clerk Date

Submitted by: Elaine Sorensen