# BAINBRIDGE ISLAND METROPOLITAN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING MAY 15, 2014 STRAWBERRY HILL CENTER

**CALL TO ORDER** A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm by Vice-Chair Cross.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lee Cross, Ken DeWitt, Jay Kinney (arrived late), Kirk Robinson and Tom Swolgaard.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA: Add to Unfinished Business: Naming Strawberry Hill Park Ballfield

## **BOARD CONSENT**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Upon making the following revisions to the minutes of the May 1, 2014 regular board meeting, Chair Kinney stated the minutes stand approved as corrected: p. 1: Change "National Monument" to "National Historic Site".

Upon hearing there were no corrections to the minutes of the May 1, 2014 board work session, Chair Kinney stated the minutes stand approved as submitted.

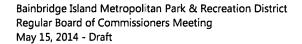
APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS: MSC: Robinson/Swolgaard: Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing that has been made available to the Board. As of this date, the Board, by a unanimous vote, does approve for payment those vouchers included in the above list and summarized as follows:

Batch No.	Batch Date	Batch Amt	Fund No.	<b>Fund Name</b>	Fund Amt	Pre-Approved
031814	3/18/14	49,898.64	94952	General	44,274.18	
			94955	Capital	5,624.46	
Above batch was	s previously appro	ved by board, but	needed to be	signed again since	e it was off by 3	cents.
050614	5/6/14	47,645.65	94952	General	31,530.96	5/6/14
			94955	Capital	16,114.69	
051314	5/13/14	34,036.89	94952	General	33,080.43	5/12/14
			94955	Capital	956.46	

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**ROTARY PARK PLAYGROUND UPDATE:** Park Services Superintendent Dan Hamlin updated the board on the progress of Owen's Playground at Rotary Park. The design is almost done, has been evaluated by a safety expert, and includes natural components, swings, chalk rocks, a quiet area to sit and many additional features. Fundraising is in full swing with an initial bake sale bringing in \$1000.

DOG COMMITTEE/OFF LEASH AREA AT STRAWBERRY HILL PARK: A brief discussion about the committee's formation was held. Unlike the Parkland Acquisition Committee which was formed as a result of lid lift levy language as a formal advisory committee to the Board, the members of the dog committee do not require board approval to be appointed since the committee members work directly with staff. Park Services Superintendent Dan Hamlin presented the design for the recently approved off leash dog area at Strawberry Hill Park saying in response to public input, the entrance has been moved further north so it is accessed from the upper parking area as opposed to the parking area adjacent to the playground. The design includes separate areas for large and small dogs, a water/wash station, information kiosks, and a higher fence with screening between the dog area and playground area. Commissioner Swogaard suggested straightening the north/south fencing line to keep the dog area even further away from the children's play area. Dan Hamlin said the fencing is going out for bid and is hopeful it will be installed by the end of



June. Following their work on the SHP off leash dog area, the committee will move forward with addressing the next items the committee has been charged to address. The Board asked Dan Hamlin to thank the committee members for their work.

**SUMMER BOARD MEETING DATES:** Executive Director Lande noted that the first board meeting in July falls on the night before the Fourth of July and suggested changing the board meeting dates to the second and fourth Thursdays for the month of July. **MSC: DeWitt/Robinson: That the July board meeting dates be moved to July 10 and 24.** 

NAMING STRAWBERRY HILL PARK BALLFIELD: Chair Kinney presented a letter sent by Little League requesting that Strawberry Hill Park Field #3 be named the "Kurt Lindsay Field" as a way to honor volunteer Kurt Lindsay who passed away from cancer in 2011. Chair Kinney spoke of the many contributions Kurt Lindsay made to both Little League and the Park District during the renovation of Field #3 at Strawberry Hill Park as well as its on-going care. Due to the exceptional volunteer service provided by Kurt Lindsay, Commissioner Kinney said he thought it was appropriate to name all the Strawberry Hill Park fields after Kurt Lindsay. Commissioner Robinson said others have contributed to these fields such as volunteers for Pee Wee Football and questioned singling out one person to honor for the entire field complex. Other board members also were concerned about this, saying future naming opportunities to recognize other volunteers could be tied up if the entire complex was named after one individual. Commissioner Robinson said he doesn't like naming park amenities after people since eventually the District will run out of things that can be named. He prefers naming amenities with a general name and "in memory of" individuals who have made significant contributions. MSC: Swolgaard/Cross: That Field #3 at Strawberry Hill Park be named "Kurt Lindsay Field". (4 ayes – 1 nay Robinson)

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

<u>Park Services Superintendent</u>: Dan Hamlin: anticipates getting permit for Blakely Harbor Park soon for all work except the bridges; the meeting room building has arrived at Rotary Park.

<u>Recreation Services Director</u>: John DeMeyer: summer camps are filling up; interviews for Aquatics Center Program Manager will be held soon; work is underway to develop a job description for volunteer positions; the boiler company has denied the warranty claim saying the pool's caustic environment caused its failure; Enduris will pursue the claim for the District.

<u>Senior Planner</u>: Perry Barrett: work is underway on the comprehensive plan update, and he is preparing for a preliminary RCO grant presentation on Hidden Cove Park Dock project.

<u>Park Services Superintendent</u>: Mike Mejia: the rock wall at The Waypoint was damaged after someone ran into it; repairs are being done; mowing is in full swing; scout projects at Fay Bainbridge Park are underway.

Executive Director: Terry Lande: a meeting on June 11 is scheduled to bring together in the same room all the principle players involved in the proposed Blakely Harbor Park bridges. At the June 5 board meeting, Board input will be needed on whether or not to move forward with the Hidden Cove Park dock project. Discussions are underway with architect Dana Weber on costs in the approximate range of \$4000 to assess the feasibility of a new administrative building at Strawberry Hill Park with payment likely to come out of the Executive Director's discretionary fund.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS: May 19: IGWG meeting.

### **BOARD MEMBER ITEMS:**

- Commissioner DeWitt suggested having park tours before board meetings this summer.
- Commissioner DeWitt mentioned the Park District's 50th anniversary is coming up next year and suggested that this topic be added to a summer board meeting agenda to begin planning for the event.

- Commissioner Swolgaard attended a recent BI Senior Center meeting of the Non-Profit and mentioned he will be meeting with BISCC and District staff and board members regarding the agreement that is up for renewal this September.
- Commissioner Robinson attended recent PAC and TAC meetings as well as a COBI Non-Motorized
  Transportation Committee meeting. He noted that National Trails Day will be celebrated on June 28 instead of the official date on June 7. It was pointed out June 28 is the day of the Rotary Auction.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO BOARD WORK SESSION at 7:40 pm.

**MEETING RECONVENED** at 9:00 pm and **ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION** at 9:01 pm for discussion of real estate, litigation, and personnel with announced time to reconvene at 9:30 pm.

**MEETING RECONVENED** at 9:30 pm and **ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION** at 9:31 pm for continued discussion of the above items, with announced time to reconvene at 10:00 pm.

MEETING RECONVENED at 10:00 pm and ADJOURNED at 10:01 pm.

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