

**BAINBRIDGE ISLAND METROPOLITAN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING JUNE 5, 2014
STRAWBERRY HILL CENTER**

CALL TO ORDER A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by Chair Kinney.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lee Cross, Ken DeWitt, Jay Kinney (late 15 min.), Kirk Robinson and Tom Swolgaard.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA: Unfinished Business: Add Surplus Sailboat

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Mary Dombrowski, island resident, came to discuss the Fort Ward Community Center, often referred to as the Fort Ward Bakery Renovation. She noted that everyone in the neighborhood is a stakeholder who pays into the Sewer District, and that the bakery building is an asset of the Sewer District that was acquired as a result of the people in the District. She was concerned that the community has not had an opportunity to consider all the options for the building and address specific questions related to the project such as the building's operation. She provided background on several funding sources that might be available for a community center in the neighborhood including the Fort Ward Neighborhood Association and possible condo development concessions related to the old barracks building. She said End Zone Street might not be available for parking since it was once approved as egress for the condo project. She asked the Board to do what it could to stimulate more discussion in the community. Commissioner Robinson said the Park District was invited to participate in this project by the Sewer District, and that this is the first time the Board has heard there may be a difference of opinion in the neighborhood about it. He encouraged the community to route any concerns to the Sewer District.

BOARD CONSENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon hearing there were no corrections to the minutes of the May 8, 2014 board work session, Vice-Chair Cross stated the minutes stand approved as submitted.

Upon hearing there were no corrections to the minutes of the May 15, 2014 regular board meeting, Vice-Chair Cross stated the minutes stand approved as submitted.

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APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS: MSC: Robinson/DeWitt: 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. | Fund Name | Fund Amt | Pre-Approved |
|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 052014 | 5/20/14 | 15,292.95 | 94952 | General | 13,315.19 | 5/16/14 |
| | | | 94955 | Capital | 1,977.76 | |
| 052814 | 5/28/14 | 34,586.33 | 94952 | General | 34,177.63 | 5/22/14 |
| | | | 94955 | Capital | 408.70 | |
| 060314 | 6/3/14 | 31,648.39 | 94952 | General | 31,648.39 | 6/2/14 |

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HIDDEN COVE DOCK PROJECT & FUNDING: Senior Planner Perry Barrett said he and Recreation Services Director John DeMeyer attended a preliminary RCO grant hearing last week in Olympia and that the project was favorably received by the committee. The question before the Board is whether it wants to continue on with the project and is willing to allocate funds towards it in the event a grant is awarded and the District must match the funds. John DeMeyer said he has reviewed the design with a significant dock outfit, and the estimated cost of \$527,000 appears sound. Executive Director Lande said the formal presentation to RCO will be made in August. If awarded the grant, funding for the District's match must be in place shortly after this. Funding could come from several sources such as donations, but it is possible that the District's match will have to come primarily come out of the District's reserve fund. He said if the District moves forward with the project, the Board should be prepared for a potential match of up to \$300,000 out of reserves. Perry Barrett noted the following favorable aspects of the project related to prospects for getting the grant: how the dock is currently used; the lack of public water access on the north end of the island; and how this dock would provide the only ADA water access on this part of the island. **MSC: DeWitt/Cross: To move forward with the Hidden Cove Park dock project with the understanding that the Park District's match may need to come out of the reserve fund.**

SURPLUS SAILBOAT: Recreation Services Director John DeMeyer noted that according to District policy, board approval to surplus an old sailboat is needed since its value is over \$2500. He said the District had a great opportunity to buy a new sailboat, and that it will be purchased in part with the funds raised by selling the old boat. Friends of BI High School Sailing will make up the difference to reach the sale price of the new boat. **MSC: Robinson/Cross: That the sale of the surplus sailboat (approximate value of \$3000) be authorized.**

GENERAL BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2014-12: 2014 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: Senior Planner Perry Barrett said WA State RCO has reviewed the draft 2014 comprehensive plan, was complementary of the public process conducted by the Park District, and compared the plan in part to that of the National Park Service. Commissioner Robinson had several revisions for the final comprehensive plan slated for adoption this evening that have been attached to a revised resolution presented to the Board this evening. **MSC: Cross/Swolgaard: That Resolution 20140-12, approving the 2014 Comprehensive Plan update and including Attachment A, be adopted subject to SEPA review.** It was noted that the comprehensive plan will now be posted on the District's website and that the SEPA process will begin. This includes a 21 day period when members of the public and public jurisdictions can provide comment on the plan. Comments from Jerry Elfendahl received earlier today will be included as part of the SEPA process.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Recreation Services Director: John DeMeyer: attended a recent software conference and it's possible the District will change its registration software this year from RecTrac to a cloud based system; a woman from North Carolina has been hired to fill the Aquatics Program Manager position; a new database program to track swim licenses has been developed by Aquatics Administrator Mark Benishek and his brother; a free dog workshop is coming up; the Galapagos art show is opening tomorrow at the library.

Park Services Superintendent: Dan Hamlin: the dog committee has been working to develop options for a logo to use at District dog parks and to develop educational material for responsible dog ownership; swing sets are going in at Strawberry Hill Park and the pit has been excavated for the additional play equipment at Battle Point Park; he will be meeting on site with the COBI engineer and Non-Motorized Transportation Committee chair or vice-chair to discuss the Hawley Cove Park project; Phase III of the Rotary Park & Ballfields Renovation project is going out to bid.

Senior Planner: Perry Barrett: he and Park Services Superintendent Dan Hamlin attended a preliminary RCO grant hearing this week in Olympia for the Hawley Cove Park project and it is likely the grant category will change; yesterday he toured parks with his RCO grant manager who was here on the island.

BOARD MEMBER ITEMS:

- Commissioner Cross mentioned a worthy effort undertaken by the public to save the struggling madrona trees in Waterfront Park by raising funds to bring over a specialist from Seattle to spray the roots. She said Park Services Superintendent Mike Mejia was in attendance when the application was made, and will likely be able to apply what he learned to trees in District parks.
- Commissioner Cross will not be here for the July 24 and August 7 board meetings.
- Commissioner Swolgaard will not be here for the July 10 and August 7 board meetings.
- Commissioner DeWitt noted how much work staff has undertaken the past nine months to produce a comprehensive plan that is an absolutely wonderful product, the best the District has ever had.

MSC: DeWitt/Swolgaard: That the Board officially express its appreciation to staff for their work putting together a comprehensive plan that is readable and useable for the future.

- Commissioner Robinson will be walking several District trails with a woman on the City's Non-Motorized Trail Advisory Committee who has uses a motorized wheelchair. *in July she cutting a member of*

MEETING ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION at 7:09 pm for discussion of real estate, litigation, and personnel with announced time to reconvene at 745 pm.

MEETING RECONVENED at 7:48 pm and **ADJOURNED** at 7:50 pm.

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