

**BAINBRIDGE ISLAND METROPOLITAN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AUGUST 13, 2015
BAINBRIDGE AQUATICS CENTER**

CALL TO ORDER A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Chair Robinson.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lee Cross, Ken DeWitt, Jay Kinney, Kirk Robinson. Absent: Tom Swolgaard.
Park Services Director Dan Hamlin is sitting in for Executive Director Terry Lande who is on vacation.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA: Add executive session to end of meeting for real estate and potential litigation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

John Parsons, neighbor to Madison Avenue Tot Lot, said he had no official comment, but wanted to introduce himself as a member of the Madison Cottages Board who has been asked to be a liaison for the group with the Park District and developer in regards to the easement project at the Madison Avenue Tot Lot.

BOARD CONSENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon making the following revisions to the minutes of the July 30, 2015 regular board meeting, Chair Robinson stated the minutes stand approved as corrected: p. 3: insert "having been" before "paid".

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS: MSC: DeWitt/Cross: 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 Dated	Batch Amt	Fund No.	Fund Name	Fund Amt	Pre-Approved
8/4/15	132,237.34	001	General	103,012.58	8/4/15
		004	Bridge Maint	900.00	
		300	Capital	28,324.76	
8/11/15	119,767.77	001	General	86,139.01	8/7/15
		300	Capital	20,948.68	
		310	Land Acquisiti	12,680.08	

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUGET SOUND ENERGY PRESENTATION OF GRANT FUNDS: Recreation Services Superintendent Mark Benishek introduced Puget Sound Energy Representatives, Energy Management Engineer Jack Sipila, Energy Efficiency Outreach Coordinator Karen Brubeck, and Community Projects Manager Jackson Taylor. They came to present a ceremonial check to the Park District in the amount of \$12,228.40 representing the PSE grant funds awarded for this summer's Aquatics Center lighting project which is now completed. Mark Benishek said the Park District has a long history with Puget Sound Energy, saying this is the fifth energy savings project that has been done using PSE grant funds. This most recent project upgraded the Don Nakata pool's lighting with LED lightbulbs, and will result in energy savings of over \$5600 each year. Jack Sipila said PSE grants can be awarded for up to 50% of a project's cost based on how much energy can be saved. PSE is so pleased with their on-going partnership with the Park District that they are sponsoring Open Swims at the Aquatics Center in September, and will cover the cost of admissions that would normally be charged. The check was presented with a photo shoot and a round of applause.

KITSAP HUMANE SOCIETY CONTRACT: Park Services Director Dan Hamlin outlined terms for a contract that is being developed with the Kitsap Humane Society to enforce leash laws in District parks. The contract when done will stipulate how the Humane Society can assist the Park District in meeting two goals: 1) Education; 2) Enforcement. Initially, there would be a 90 day educational campaign to inform the public that enforcement of leash laws will be coming to District parks. Kitsap Humane Society staff would participate in the educational campaign by interacting with the public in parks during this time. After the 90 day period, enforcement of off leash dogs would begin and Kitsap Humane Society officers would start to patrol random parks for four hours each week. The approximate cost would be \$14,000 per year. The board expressed general approval of the proposed terms for the agreement. Commissioner DeWitt noted the money from fines for off leash dogs will go to the City of Bainbridge Island and not to the Park District. Dan Hamlin said the Dog Advisory Committee will take a break after the educational campaign.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Senior Planner: Perry Barrett: the recent BI Park Foundation fundraiser for the Hidden Cove Park dock went well with approximately 60 people attending and several substantive pledges made; work on the Sakai boundary lot line adjustment needed for the reserve property is underway; the Van Slyke trail easement should close next week; Johnpaul Jones, lead designer for the Blakely Harbor Park jetty bridge project, will be using Paul Faje as the engineer for the structural support of the bridge; COBI is vetting notice of the transfer of its ownership of western Pritchard Park to the Park District through notification of the SEPA process; the Parkland Acquisition Committee has scheduled a walk-through of a lot adjacent to the Lumpkin property on August 24.

Recreation Services Superintendent: Bryan Garoutte: adult volleyball participation has increased this summer; summer programs are winding down; a \$30,000 donation was received for a new gymnastics floor at the high school facility; a bid was won to host the 2016 Men's Gymnast State Championship here on the island; a gymnastics Warrior Ninja class will be held next week with 45 class participants; youth writing camps and welding camps for teens were very popular this summer; the first women's sailing clinic ever held received great compliments; backpacking programs are so well liked there are repeat customers; a snow train to Whitefish, Montana is planned in January.

Recreation Services Superintendent: Mark Benishek: tomorrow is the last day before the pool closes for resurfacing; new fall programs at the Aquatics Center will include opportunities for swim lessons with a smaller student/teacher ratio; interviews are underway for a new Aquatics Center Facility Operator; the City's change from four to two hour parking around the Waterfront Park Community Center is making it easier for seniors to attend programs; a retreat of the Senior Center Non-Profit Board was held this week and they are evaluating goals to include development of a funding strategy so they can provide things for the Senior Center that the Park District cannot provide.

Park Services Director: Dan Hamlin: a mini-van left at Fort Ward Park has led to a search by the police for a man who has been missing; discussions are underway with insurance companies to address work on the upper Rotary Park ballfield that was improperly done by the first contractor; a meeting of the City's Utility Advisory Committee was just held and the report that will go to the City Council for approval will be voted on at the next meeting; due to the efforts of Jerry Elfendahl, someone has offered to donate labor and material for a ductless heat pump at Camp Yeomalt.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS: August 29: Park District 50th Birthday Bash.

BOARD MEMBER ITEMS:

- Commissioner DeWitt said he may not be here for the August 27 board meeting. Commissioners Kinney, Robinson, and Cross all confirmed that they will be here.
- Commissioner DeWitt said the Sakai property purchase closed last Monday and that the public planning process will begin this fall.

- Commissioner Cross attended a recent meeting of the BI Parks Foundation and is so impressed with their efforts to fundraise for the dock that she has encouraged them not to stop at \$100,000.
- Commissioner Cross attended a recent meeting of the Park District's Trail Advisory Committee and was pleased with Park District's efforts to create an inventory of trails and facilities. Park Services Manager David Harry said this inventory is being developed as a planning tool that will help the Park District better understand what the District manages; it will include items as specific as benches and bridges.
- Commissioner Cross commented on the Knudsen trail and it was noted that it needs re-routing since the current route is too steep. Staff is looking at the survey again to determine the best route.
- Commissioner Robinson has attended several recent COBI Non-Motorized Transportation Advisory Committee open houses, and is encouraged by their emphasis on improving the Core 40 transportation corridors.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION at 7:20 pm for discussion of real estate and potential litigation, with announced time to reconvene at 7:50 pm.

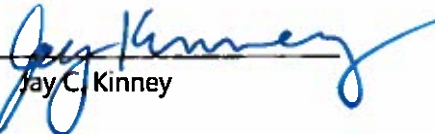
MEETING RECONVENED at 7:50 pm and **ADJOURNED** at 7:51 pm.

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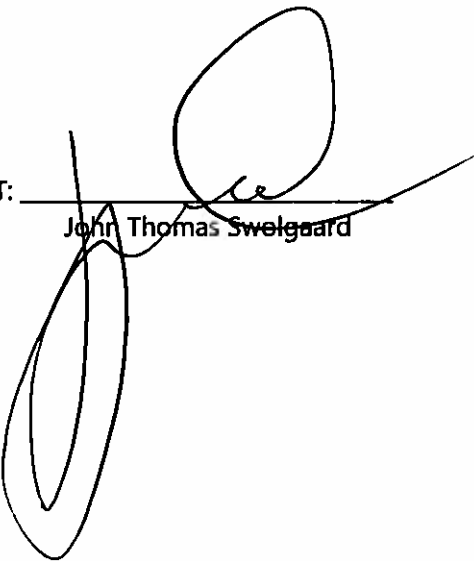
BY: 
Kirk B. Robinson

BY: 
Lee Cross

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Kenneth R. DeWitt

BY: 
Jay C. Kinney

ATTEST:


John Thomas Swelgaard