

Minutes from April 20, 2023 Board of Commissioners Meeting:

SKATEPARK PLAN UPDATE:

Creative Services Manager Douglas Slingerland thanked Bainbridge Island Parks & Trails Foundation Executive Director Mary Meier and the BI PTF for their support on this project. He also thanked the skatepark committee and the youth advisory committee. At the 11/17/22 board meeting a draft of the skatepark design was shared and public comments were taken. Comments were then incorporated into the design. James Klinedinst with Grindline Skateparks Inc said the project goal was to add to the current skate bowl with design input from the community. Since the last meeting the height of the bowl was adjusted, the ferry ledge was adjusted, more strawberry elements were added, and more flow was incorporated into the pump track. The additions to the design can hold more skateboarders and will complement the current skatepark. It will be a world-class facility. Barbeques, seating areas, water fountains have also been included in the design. The project has been broken down into several phases for funding.

Commissioner Janow asked how many people could skate at a given time in a park like this. James Klinedinst said 50-100 people could be at the skatepark at a given time with 6-8 people skating at a time. The skatepark committee has reviewed and approved the revised design.

Jessica Perkins, the co-chair of the skatepark committee, thanked the board, staff, BIPTF, the youth advisory committee, and the skatepark committee for their work on this project.

MSC: Janow/DeWitt: Approve the skatepark project.

Commissioner DeWitt asked about the project phasing. Douglas Slingerland said there are three phases related just to building the actual skatepark, building a roof would be an additional phase. Commissioner Swolgaard said the skatepark is part of the concept plan for Strawberry Hill Park.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.