

VASHON PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Ober Park, Performance Room, 7:00 pm

DATE: Tuesday, April 8, 2014

Commissioners attending: Bill Ameling, Lu-Ann Branch, Scott Harvey, Doug Ostrom, Joe Wald

Staff attending: Jason Acosta, Elaine Ott

ISSUE	DISCUSSION AND OUTCOME	FOLLOW UP
Call to order & agenda review	The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Lu-Ann Branch. Lu-Ann reviewed the agenda	
Public Comment	<p>Gay Rosser thanked Elaine and the board for responding to her public records request. In the first week of April 2014 it was determined that there were no property lot line adjustments. Gay said that VPD in the past did adjust property lines and property was usurped. Property lines and acreage no longer exists as it once was. What will VPD do to remedy this? (See Rosser handout.)</p> <p>Lu-Ann: If it is a comment that contributes to the discussion. Editorial comments are not welcome.</p> <p>Bill: It might not be welcome, but it is their right. We voted at the last meeting to not change anything.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: It is my job to make sure we have a civil discussion.</p> <p>Bill: you can limit the time, not what they are saying. We are the only agency on the island that allows free discussion.</p> <p>Doug: I thought that we were going to keep doing what we were going. An opinion is OK.</p> <p>Capt. Joe: I don't recall a single time when harpoons have happened. Have we paid off the tax lien?</p> <p>Elaine: Yes.</p> <p>Capt. Joe: I have just been handed a disc that is available to everybody. It is a John Brown CD.</p> <p>Unidentified person: Are we going to paint at Point Robinson?</p> <p>Elaine: If we have the money.</p> <p>Capt. Joe: Are we going to be talking about cash flow?</p> <p>Elaine: There appears to be a little room to squeeze in painting.</p> <p>Capt. Joe: Money from the lighthouse can't be used for other projects.</p> <p>Cici Stone: Lodging resources are an underutilized resource. There are times of the week when they are not rented out. We need a lure to the Island at a low cost way. A national organization of parks exists. We might try to entice them to come for a seminar. We could take turns feeding them. In exchange, they might be willing to share their ideas with us at no cost.</p> <p>Scott: Do we have that availability in the summer?</p> <p>Cici: No, I envision that we would do this on off-season. We have something of value; value is transitory. We have an underutilized resource. It might help Elaine develop the new VPD.</p>	

	Doug: They don't have to come from Illinois.	
“Executive Director”	The motion to change Elaine’s title to “Executive Director” was read from the minutes. The vote was 5-0, unanimous.	Resolution 14-1
Pool Update	<p>Jason reported that they have been working on the pool. Scott B. was unable to attend the meeting, but he has the information.</p> <p>Elaine: Extra chemicals were added last week. It cost \$2,300 for the backwash.</p> <p>Jason: The lines were cleared yesterday.</p> <p>Bill: We should have done this before.</p> <p>Jason: I was not aware of this when I came here.</p> <p>Elaine: This is an opportunity to learn. Flo Hoc took the water. A long-term fix is possible working with the Dept. of Ecology. Maybe a trench could be dug near the storm water pool. This may be viable. Or we could pump and dispose of off-site.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: Have expenses been incurred that have not been paid for?</p> <p>Elaine: We have been paying. A sit-down with the two boards, the School Board and VPD could happen.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: I invited Dan to come to this meeting. Is the School Board open to the pool opening this year? There is a School Board meeting this Thursday and I will go. Anyone else can go too.</p> <p>Capt. Joe: Why do we need this?</p> <p>Bill: They own the dirt.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: There is an agreement with the School District.</p> <p>Unidentified person: I have a copy of the agreement.</p> <p>Elaine: I have not seen this. There is a volume of information to go through. An agreement states that the Park District will pay the utilities. The School District had to know when they capped the pipe. I think there has been a failure to communicate and this could have been trouble-shooted.</p> <p>Bill: Please get us a copy of the VPD contract with the School District—the original one. The County has an agreement with the School District.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: We want to open this summer. Is there a quick solution and a long-term fix?</p> <p>Scott: What do we owe?</p> <p>Elaine \$4,300, we paid \$636.</p> <p>Scott: So we are \$25,000 out the door?</p> <p>Bill: Read the first paragraph of the contract. Where is Attachment B?</p> <p>Elaine: I will do my best to find it.</p> <p>Bill: The County agreement is still in effect.</p> <p>Beachcomber: The School District has the authority to say no, you can't open?</p> <p>Lu-Ann: No. The School District could say not this year.</p> <p>Bill: These are all assumptions without talking to the School Board. We have to look into the agreement. We don't know what we are doing. We have to research the documents.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: We need to know the cost of a short-term fix.</p> <p>Scott: \$25,000.</p> <p>Trish: Ask if there is a commitment from the School Board to keep the pool open every year.</p>	Resolution 14-2

	<p>Scott: We are already in it for \$5,000. Are we committed? MOTION: I move that VPD spend no more than \$25,000 on the pool.</p> <p>Bill: Second.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: The School Board may help financially.</p> <p>Scott: There is no need for an emergency motion.</p> <p>Elaine: I am only approved for \$5,000. Don't tie my hands for the next two weeks.</p> <p>Joe: It is in the budget.</p> <p>Doug Hoffman: Some back flushes will occur during the year.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: The original amount was an estimate. Will four back washes cost \$2,300?</p> <p>Trish: What if costs are greater than the \$25,000?</p> <p>Lu-Ann: We can only make a decision on the information we know.</p> <p>Scott: It depends on the weather.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: We need information on weather, attendance and budget.</p> <p>CiCi: The rules on chlorine water have changed and this is an issue for municipalities. They have to drain their pools for various uses.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: We haven't drained the pool in the past. Eric Gill and Scott are looking at Options and exceptions.</p> <p>Bill: This is all speculation.</p> <p>Trish: Is a chlorine-free pool an option?</p> <p>Lu-Ann: Not for public pools.</p>	
Spring Beach Land Donation	<p>Elaine: A Vashon family has indicated that they would like to donate Spring Beach parcels to VPS. It is very steep, but I did it. It could allow for parking to get to Spring Beach that now is only accessible by boat. Jason and I would be happy to take Board members there. (General agreement by Board members.) See Elaine's handouts regarding the property.</p>	
VES Update	<p>Joe: I want to thank Jason. The fields are in good shape.</p> <p>Elaine: Jason has done a good job getting them in shape.</p>	
Skate Grant	<p>Elaine: We will have more information at the next meeting. We are meeting with our experts.</p>	
Board and Staff Reports	<p>Jason: We are in our busy season now. I am spending a lot of time in the field.</p>	
Executive Session-Personnel	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 and the Board went into executive session regarding personnel issues.</p>	
ADJOURN	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 9:15.</p>	

Respectfully submitted:
Mary Reeves