

VASHON PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

Ober Park, Evergreen Room, 7:00 pm

DATE: Tuesday, September 8, 2015

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 by Joe Wald at 7:03 PM. Joe reviewed the agenda.	
Public Comment	Hilary: I just want to remind everyone of the upcoming candidates' debate on October 1st at the high school. Truman: Capt. Joe is not feeling well and he will not be coming to the meeting tonight.	
VIGA – “Reimagining the Market”	Elaine: Dan and Emily are the co-chairs of the VIGA project. Dan: This project is to reimagine the market. The current structure was built in 1999 pursuant to an agreement with VPD. We had 8 vendors to start and today we have 40 vendors. Plus, we have public space. We hired a UW architect to work with the design committee. We have discussed the needs of the market, including safety, coverage, site lines and volunteer labor. We have two broad goals: 1) market shed, and 2) promenade. You can see the model I brought. Each promenade has two units in it. This was presented on July 14th at a public meeting. We are looking at what could happen. Other potential options would have to be costed out. The market and Village Green are linked and the site could be used for other things. We are still looking at design options. Emily: We are not asking for money or a decision today. You may want to be involved in the future. Our next phase is looking ahead. Phase two will be 2016 at the earliest if VPD and VIGA joined forces to do this. If we have the funding, we will hire UW students and architects. We will bring a timeline the first of the year. Ultimately, VPD and VIGA will figure out how to fund this. Bill: Carlson was on the VPD board at one time. This is a park and it is not private. VIGA participants are for profit. Businesses there had to be part of VIGA. VIGA controls the hours of operation. We would have to visit the entire agreement. People want a farmers' market. The design has to work well for the activity. VIGA is part of our budget. Volunteer labor has to be up to snuff. We will need to sit down together and discuss this. In the next four years we will be looking at a Tramp Harbor fix and it will be in the six figures. Emily: It is very much a partnership.	

	<p>Truman: Most parks have a master plan. The plan should include forward-looking. There is no perfect space.</p> <p>Emily: The shed would move.</p> <p>Bill: Once we approached US Bank and we asked for part of their property for parking. Maybe some agreement could be worked out over time. People spend at the market.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: Transients hang out there.</p> <p>Emily: The tables we are looking at would fold up.</p> <p>Dan: We will report back in 2016.</p> <p>Doug: Any thoughts of moving it?</p> <p>Dan: Yes, but we decided the Green was the best site for the market.</p> <p>Cici: Any thoughts to change it to a pay system?</p> <p>Hilary: Every property is paid for with or without tax dollars.</p> <p>Emily: Vendors are there to make money. We have 230 members.</p> <p>Bill: VIGA has raised money and they gave it to VPD. It is only used two days per week.</p> <p>Hilary: It is not in a community spirit to have different rules for each user.</p> <p>Bill: We are not here for conformity. We need to look at the groups and see what works.</p>	
Surplus F250 Truck	<p>Jason: Our old F250 could be surplused. We could get \$1,500 for it.</p> <p>Bill: I MOVE THAT WE SURPLUS THE TRUCK.</p> <p>Scott: SECOND.</p> <p>Bill: I MOVE TO SUSPEND THE RULES.</p> <p>Scott: SECOND.</p> <p>VOTE TO SUSPEND: 5-0 in favor.</p> <p>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION: 5-0 IN FAVOR.</p>	<p>MOTION, SECOND TO SURPLUS THE F250.</p> <p>MOTION, SECOND TO SUSPEND THE RULES.</p> <p>VOTE ON EACH MOTION 5-0 IN FAVOR.</p>
Staff Reports	<p><i>1) VES Update</i></p> <p>Elaine: Our target completion date was September 1st. We had some small design issues, then the rain pushed us back. We will be paving next week.</p> <p>Mitch: Meins is OK with it.</p> <p>Elaine: Jason will fix up the strip by the bathroom. There will be 4,500 plants in the rain</p>	

garden.

Jason: We are waiting for the last estimate on plants. There will be sedges, etc. The idea is to make it drought resistant.

Elaine: The fence is ready to go. Cost at this point comes to 386K for everything.

1) "Ponies Against Pavement Green Space Project"

Elaine: The Horse Association raised 26K for the project. We will put in the fence and they will do their thing. The Horse Association wants to sell fence sections.

Lu-Ann: A name will be on each section?

Jason: Yes. There are names on each section of fencing now. You really can't see the names unless you are close to the fence section.

Bill: So that would mean that you can buy a section of the fence?

Elaine: For fundraising.

Scott: I MOVE THAT WE ALLOW DONOR RECOGNITION ON THE FENCING FOR FUNDRAISING PARADISE RIDGE.

Mary: We could also put tiles under the picnic tables.

Truman: It is like what is up there now.

Lu-Ann: SECOND.

Jason: They want it for boundaries, not height. It will be 42 inches high.

Joe: We will vote at the next meeting.

2) Tramp Harbor Update

Elaine: I have been in meetings with King County and/or the State. King County wants to partner regarding funding. There are two possibilities: 1) the DOE with a creosote removal grant, or 2) State appropriation through Sharon Nelson. Her feeling is that it could happen in the 2017 to 2018 cycle. The appropriation would be submitted in September 2016. 3) King County has a grant application available in February 2016. The funding for Harper Pier in Kitsap County was through the DOE, RCO and the State. They put in a catwalk for 1.7 million. It is certainly do-able if we put in nothing. We will talk to Kitsap County. Ours would be a replacement. The State has a concern about doing a wrap on the pilings. They are concerned about leeching. We would probably be pushed to rebuild. I saw the Harper Pier and it was very nice.

Scott: Will this satisfy our needs? We should talk to the birders.

Bill: Truman, Elaine, and I met with King County. They said that they had no money, but did appropriate 50K in matching funds. They talked to them about extending the lease for three years.

Truman: They are willing to cooperate and they are amenable to our project.

Elaine: I want to meet with Sharon Nelson again.

Lu-Ann: We don't have to rebuild it exactly as it is now.

Elaine: This job will require a project manager.

**MOTION,
SECOND TO
ALLOW DONOR
RECOGNITION
ON THE
FENCING FOR
FUNDRAISING.**

Agenda Item.

Adjournment	MOTION, SECOND TO ADJOURN. 8:02 PM. VOTE: 5-0 IN FAVOR.	MOTION, SECOND TO ADJOURN. VOTE: 5-0 IN FAVOR.
Next Meeting	September 22, 2015, 7:00 PM	

Respectfully submitted by:
Mary Reeves