

VASHON PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

Ober Park, Performance Room, 7:00 pm

DATE: Tuesday, April 14, 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	<p>Hilary: I am sure everyone got the flyer about the levy. What did it cost? Elaine: \$3,800 maybe. I had feedback that inspired me to do this.</p> <p>Mary: People have three weeks to announce if they will run for the Board. May 15, 2015, 4:30 PM, is the deadline for people running for the commissioner positions.</p> <p>Bob McMahon: Thank you to the Park District and the Board for the one day opening of the pool. We had great weather. Volunteers were all over the place. The Seals provided soup and ice cream. Approximately 200 people were there. It was terrific. The High school marketing class has taken on the pool as their project. Elaine: There were about 200 users there. It generated \$2,200 in revenue from preregistrations, passes, etc.</p> <p>Capt. Joe: Everybody should have their ballots. Kristen is out of town so I will speak on behalf of Friends of the Parks. VOV, Truman and I did our ballots together. We need around 2100 votes to validate the election. This is going to be the challenge. We want to get the word out.</p> <p>Tomorrow is the anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic, not that there is any similarity here. Those of you who take cruises from here to Alaska are safe. There were not enough life boats for the passengers on the Titanic.</p>	
Approve February Vouchers	<p>Bill: I MOVE WE APPROVE THE FEBRUARY VOUCHERS. Scott: SECOND VOTE: 5-0 IN FAVOR</p>	MOTION, SECOND TO APPROVE FEBRUARY VOUCHERS.

		VOTE 5-0 IN FAVOR
Financial Report	<p>Elaine: We are closed through February. There is nothing much remarkable. Nothing outstanding. The same is true for categories that were down. We have a higher than anticipated sale of trail books. We paid off the TAN in March. We are doing fine.</p> <p>Hilary: Where is the 75K?</p> <p>Elaine: It is in league partner miscellaneous grants. As promised last year, the breakdown of parks revenue and expenses is a work in progress. This is for presentation purposes only. There was a request to see revenues and expenses for VES. The column Parks and Facilities incorporates truck leases and other things. I am showing you the prospect.</p> <p>Doug: How often will you do this?</p> <p>Elaine: Every month.</p> <p>Capt. Joe: Am I missing two elements of the lodging?</p> <p>Elaine: I am happy to break out Pt. Robinson.</p> <p>C: Totals don't reflect everything that is coming in and out?</p> <p>Elaine: The totals reflect everything that is coming in and out. The big spread sheet is your maintenance monies broken out per park.</p> <p>Hilary: What is CBB?</p> <p>Elaine: Community bulletin board. If you want to see a full on P&L, I can do it</p> <p>Jason: This is just maintenance. We wanted to get Lisabeula done.</p> <p>Elaine: The budget capitol for VES is capitol.</p>	
Tramp Harbor Dock	<p>Elaine: Regarding the signs. At the last meeting we discussed the pros and cons of what to do with the dock. I ran the post-signs idea by our attorney. He liked the gate best. He thinks three posts that are visible and conspicuous would be okay.</p> <p>Jason: As you walk on to the dock, we can attach signs to bollards. We will have signs on the dock and the location of the greatest damage. 9 signs have been ordered.</p> <p>Elaine: They will cost us @ \$900. I utilized Spanish and Korean interpreters in addition to English. They should be up shortly. On April 3rd, we met with the DNR and King County. The State land is not as we were lead to believe from running from the shore on out the dock. I asked for a copy of their map. It turns out that 180 feet out from land is our land (dock). 160 feet out from there is theirs. It provides different alternatives. One option is to chop the dock off. If that was the case, the state wouldn't care. We have public safety issues. It also bears on the light requirement. Technically, they don't care. They only care about the portion on their land. They are very unwilling to speak to us about anything until we apply for the lease. They won't even give us a copy of the draft of the lease. They will require us to tear it down if we don't enter into a lease.</p> <p>Scott: Where are the pilings?</p> <p>Jason: They are all over.</p>	

Bill: Do we own the street side or the water side

Elaine: The street side.

Bill: We could remove the dock off their portion of the land. Why don't they tear down their own dock?

Elaine: No, they will sue. They said to King County, "[w]hy don't you take this back?"

King County will come after us because it was their intent to give it to us. There will be pushback. It would create a nasty relationship. I asked why the light issue was such a concern when the dock is high. They said that they would consider that in their assessment after we apply for the lease. We talked about alternatives regarding the creosote. They will consider wrapped pilings. I have contacted companies about a resin/carbon sleeve. I asked for a quote and it is 425K and 550K alternatively for all the pilings.

Bill: They said that we were entitled to their help.

Elaine: King County never responded to this. Another company with a local representative would use an epoxy grout in a laminate jacket. That estimate will come in next week.

Regarding the soil issue, they would consider waiving this considering that the past concerned Standard Oil. Because Docton was a reserve, it is different. They allow 5 years for a fix, but could tighten this for us because of public concerns. I spoke with the State regarding possible sources of funding. The State said they would consider assisting with grants. If we chose to remove it altogether, there could be some help there. They might provide oversight on removal. I have been looking at grants up to 500K, with a match of half of that. DNR is involved in some of these grants. Fed funding is unlikely. The Coast Guard is not interested in our dock becoming a rescue dock. The State will expect an answer by the end of August. The Survey can help our direction and can determine dock use. We need to apply for the lease to know what we are dealing with.

Scott: What about matching grants?

Elaine: The State said that they would participate. They did not say how much.

Bill: If we make an application, we might risk saying that the County was right. We would agree that they made a minor mistake.

Scott: Can't a third party apply for the lease?

Bill: Should we come to an agreement with the County?

Lu-Ann: Why not?

Scott: The lease would be with the State.

Elaine: King County would not enter into a lease. If it goes back to the County, the County could likely come after us in any event.

Bill: Can we sit down with the County and put all the cards on the table? We can say, "[w]ill you pay us 50 cents on the dollar due to your mistake?"

Elaine: We can do that.

Bill: We are never going to understand what Greg Nichols and Gary Lock really meant. We pay property taxes to the County.

Truman: It was the same deal with Agren, to restore it.

	<p>Bill: But, not on anything else. Remember, they didn't give us all the deeds to Paradise? Didn't we run into the same thing on the play fields? Something not being properly documented? I think that we have enough to talk to the County.</p> <p>Elaine: Would a commissioner want to come?</p> <p>Bill: I would and Truman would.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: King County has never done anything.</p> <p>Elaine: I have a one sheet document stating King County will participate on capital projects.</p> <p>Mary: The paperwork has been straightened out for paradise.</p> <p>Bill: Maybe they should have been giving us money all along.</p> <p>Truman: I'll talk to Jake. Greg still lives in W. Seattle.</p> <p>Elaine: OK, our next step – talk to the County.</p> <p>Capt. Joe: King County Parks?</p> <p>Elaine: Yes.</p> <p>Peter Ray: Why would you turn down a grant from Senator Nelson when you are applying for grants for the dock?</p> <p>Lu-Ann: It is an idea that has been floated around.</p> <p>Elaine: It has never come before the Board. We have not turned anything down. The Friends project has not come before the Board yet.</p> <p>Doug: Sen. Nelson's office was not certain – just kicking the tires.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: We need to be cautious.</p> <p>Bob: We met with Sen. Nelson about a grant for the Park District. We were just looking for sources of funding. We weren't in that discussion, I wish we had been. We will gather information to make a presentation to you.</p> <p>Capt. Joe: The only way Sharon can get money is to attach something to an appropriations bill. She doesn't have discretionary money. For her, she cannot say you can apply to me for 500K – no ability and no money.</p>	
<p>Staff Reports</p>	<p><i>1) Pool</i></p> <p>Elaine: We are going out to bid on the drain project; we are waiting to hear from DNR. There is a potential need for a permit from King County. If this can't be done before June 22nd, Mark of Enduris has assured us that they will pay for hauling charges. The DOE says it will take a few days.</p> <p><i>2) VES</i></p>	

Elaine: Mitch and I will meet with King County. Here we are in April and I am feeling a time crunch. We need to get it done.

Bill: we still don't know how much we will pay.

Jason: We got the N field drained. I am thinking of putting in a curtain drain. I have been putting feelers out for a permanent fence for N field. I would like to see if the Board is interested in local advertising slots on the fence. It could be a source of income.

Truman: There should be a policy. We voted on it years ago.

Elaine: We looked and nothing fits.

Bill: We can redo whatever we did.

Lu-Ann: What would that look like? The high school does it forever.

Joe: They pay a yearly fee.

Truman: The other part of the policy bill is how do you determine who does or does not get to put up a sign? You do have a policy.

Lu-Ann: Do we want to suggest that Elaine create a policy?

Elaine: There is a potential on the table. Island Lumber may donate materials. It is a pretty good shot that we will get at least some of it.

Jason: The material cost is around 3K. We have opportunities there.

Bill: Get copy of the policy.

Elaine: I couldn't find it.

Lu-Ann: There are two issues: donation and advertising.

Truman: We struggled with it for weeks.

Jason: The Board could approve donations, but I can't seem to find the policy.

Elaine: We couldn't find anything.

Mary: Go back to Truman's time.

Joe Hoffman: We would have to address who will fix the signs.

Joe: They would have to pay for it

Jason: There is high wind up there. We could do banners that allow wind to go through it.

Bill: Why would you allow it for baseball and not the Village Green.

Joe: Look at two years before my first term. I was in the audience.

Jason: I will call other park districts to see their policies

3) *Point Robinson*

Elaine: The painting of quarters B will start Monday. The roof contract has been awarded and we are awaiting the signed contract.

4) *Inspiration Point*

Elaine: People are ramping up.

Jason: They will put small groups there. It will be a few weeks because I have other

	things going on.	
Adjourn	Scott MOVED TO ADJOURN Bill: SECOND Joe: I CALL THE QUESTION. VOTE: 5-0 The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM	
Next Meeting	April 28, 2015, 7:00 PM	

Respectfully submitted by
Mary Reeves