

VASHON PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Ober Park, Performance Room, 7:00 pm

DATE: Tuesday, May 10, 2016

Commissioners attending: Lu-Ann Branch, Scott Harvey, Bob McMahon, Doug Ostrom. Karen Gardner was absent.

Staff attending: Jason Acosta, Elaine Ott, Robin Thomas

ISSUE	DISCUSSION AND OUTCOME	FOLLOW UP
Call to order & agenda review	The meeting was called to order by Doug. Doug reviewed the agenda.	
Public Comment	Truman: Capt. Joe will not be attending this evening.	
Preliminary April 23-May 6 Vouchers	<p>Scott: I MOVE that we accept the vouchers. Bob: SECOND. VOTE: 3-0 in favor of the motion.</p>	<p>MOTION, SECOND TO ACCEPT THE VOUCHERS PRESENTED.</p> <p>VOTE: 3-0 IN FAVOR.</p>
Board Motions	<p>1) <i>Motion to Accept Reduced Fee Award (RFA) Policy</i> Elaine: There was a computer error, thus there are no minutes. Scott motioned the first two motions and Doug seconded. Doug made the motion on the grant. The Board members agreed that the motions had been moved and seconded. VOTE: 4-0 in favor of the motion.</p> <p>2) <i>Motion to Accept Program Co-Sponsorship Policy</i> VOTE: 4-0 in favor of the motion.</p> <p>3) <i>Motion to Approve King County Youth Support Facility Grant 50% match</i> Elaine: We are going to need to discuss this more thoroughly. It is a 75k grant. We have to fundraise. The Seals will fundraise. This will go for the immediate items identified by the engineers. Also, it includes a thorough analysis of things Scott and I think have to be done. Costs could go to 136k Scott: If we don't get the grant, we will not have to get into situations where there could be a problem. We won't go ahead unless we have all the money. Elaine: I did file a letter of intent. The actual application is due June 17, 2016. Bob: Can we move this to later in the agenda?</p>	<p>16-18</p> <p>16-17</p> <p>16-16 Agenda Item?</p>

<p>VMHA Presentation for King County Grant</p>	<p>Wanda: We are not asking you for any money. We want to build a competitive horse trail course at Paradise. It sits on about 1/2 acre and is a training course. It can also be used for competition. Some people jump, some do dressage. This course works for everyone. This will help prevent injuries on the trails because riders will have practiced obstacles on the training course. The courses are organic to the places they are at. It doesn't take a huge amount of area like an arena. There will be trees and rocks. (Wanda showed Board members pictures.) These are great exercises. There will be a suspension bridge. The horse will learn how to handle these obstacles. A competition can be timed. There will be faults.</p> <p>Mary: The object will be safe passage.</p> <p>Wanda: There is an area for carts. Part of the obstacles will be from the space itself. It will be landscaped. It wouldn't interfere with anything else. All there is now is an obstacle pond.</p> <p>Elaine: What certification or skills are needed by the person who constructs it?</p> <p>Wanda: Horse experience, familiarity with horse events/obstacles. There will be 8 obstacles. Show money would help maintain it. Maintenance is low. No grass, but rather, sand. We will put in shrubbery.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: What about the possibility of falls or spills?</p> <p>Wanda: We have had the competitive shows for 3 years. We will show people on how to use the obstacles. Mark will do a class. We intend to tell riders that they must wear protective helmets and have protection for the horses' legs.</p> <p>Scott: May this be used more in a group situation?</p> <p>Wanda: It is becoming more common for people who ride western to wear helmets. I would worry more about skateboarding at BARC.</p> <p>Unidentified Woman: We will have a workshop on how to use it. The 4H and pony clubs will help.</p> <p>Wanda: It will cost 75k to build. We will ask King County for 60k. And, we will raise 15k. We are looking for your approval. We also have an association with the Quarter Horse Association.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: I so MOVE.</p> <p>Bob: SECOND.</p> <p>Elaine: we will need a memo of understanding</p>	<p>Agenda Item 16-19</p>
<p>Two Motions</p>	<p>Scott: I am making these two motions.</p> <p><i>1) Requirement to have full funding in place before projects begin.</i></p> <p>Scott: No project in excess of 50k shall begin building until fully funded and we have the money. Budgets do not count unless in the levy or in grants.</p> <p>Wanda: What do you do with cost overruns?</p> <p>Scott: We get a fixed price contract.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: You can't always get it.</p> <p>Scott: Our mindset should be there.</p> <p>Lu-Ann: Why 50k?</p> <p>Scott: It is more than 25k and less than 100k.</p> <p>Elaine: I see no problem with this.</p> <p>Scott: If we had this policy when VES was built, we would have saved a lot of problems. We would have had to have the money first.</p> <p>Doug: Say it is a 100k project. We could move money in the budget around.</p>	<p>16-20</p>

Scott: Right.
Bob: Aren't we really talking about matching funds?
Lu-Ann: It is like the skate bowl. They did not have the money in hand at the time we approved it.
Scott: We can vote on it, but we won't start any project until the money is there.
Lu-Ann: You will start the project, then you find out that we need to get something else.
Bob: Hopefully we have done due diligence.
Scott: Elaine and Jason inherited VES.
Bob: SECOND.

2) *User contributions to projects.*

Scott: I MOVE that VPD does not fund more than 25% of any project that benefits any specific user group. Jensen Point is an example.
Bob: What does not benefit a user group?
Scott: There is no user group at Fern Cove or Tramp Harbor dock.
Bob: A specific organized group?
Scott: A subset. For instance, if it were Jensen point, I would refer to the Rowing Club. Jensen Point is more than the boathouse. The general population does not benefit directly.
Lu-Ann: At VES, there are multiple user groups.
Elaine: Agren benefits a number of user groups. However, there is a serious liability issue. Are we going to risk liability against the user group being able to fund it?
Scott: We have limited resources; we have to draw the line. If it comes to liability, we shut it down. Nobody can get injured that way.
Truman: The motion is ambiguous. Agren not only supports people who play baseball. There are walkers. Each park contributes to the health and welfare of the island. It helps everyone on the island.
Scott: To give us a baseline on large projects, we would do 25%.
Bob: I got on the Board to hopefully do reasonable, realistic plans for the park board. Individual parks are different from the boat house. Let's take each project on its own. If people gang up, 25% will go out fast.
Scott: I'm trying to get into equity. You need to have skin in the game or good grants. I believe we shouldn't use levy funds for new projects.
Jay Holt: I don't represent any user group. I think like Truman. What if Capt. Joe asks for a permanent latrine? It will cost 120k and can the Keepers come up with the 75%? I agree that this is vague. I'm not talking about projects.
Scott: Users should not have to pay for maintenance. That should be in the budget.
Bob: Is there any second?
Lu-Ann: I think your heart is in the right place. I tend to agree with Truman, too.

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**Pool
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Elaine: In summary, the report consists of three major aspects of the pool. Engineers made recommendations in these three areas. It took them about 2-3 weeks total. They came to us with a draft report and we had a conference call with them. We requested that they categorized their priorities in each area. They

focused on short term and critical. Long term = 3-5 years. They defined owner items. We decided that our in-house maintenance folks can handle these things much less expensively. Their experience is that they have a significant markup when they are considering it. The last other category is what they call “not critical”, or required or noted as code deficient, but not necessarily grandfathered. For example, the bathhouse. On page A8 it is nicely summarized. The items that are no- brainers are the accessibility items; it is possible that it will be crossed off the list (e.g., the main drain in the pool). It never got signed off. Scott Bonney will get it approved by King County.

Jason: It should have been signed off. It happened when King County had it. It was to have been done in 2007-2008.

Scott: For 9 years we don’t know what has been done?

Jason: If the fix is not done, some kid could die. It is called the Virginia Graeme Baker law. If it is not done, it will have to be done. We think it has been done. We will bring out a diver to inspect it.

Scott: If he can’t find the document, then we get a diver. Therefore, it is an expense if the diver says it hasn’t been done.

Lu-Ann: This was 7-8 years ago. King County should pay for it.

Elaine: On the short term column, the item under “mechanical,” there are a number of pieces that total to about 100K that the engineers feel are critical. It is unknown if the NSF system is good. In the mechanical room there is horrible corrosion. Is it cutting into the piping and fittings?

Scott: I think what we need is a list in order of priority. And a reason of why it is important.

Bob: Lu-Ann and I talked about this a little before the meeting. Maybe LA, myself, you and Scott can meet about it.

Elaine: I am asking for 117,500k. Another thing is that I have done considerable research on other grants. Energy efficiency can fall under a Department of Commerce grant. Another RCO grant would address the architectural items. RCO requires a 50% match. Scott, here is the 2017 and 2018 forecast. Let’s set up a meeting.

Jason: Do we have to install the lift before the opening?

Elaine: Yes, for the lift. The ADA is not grandfathered.

Scott: We have never been cited for the ADA benches, drinking fountain, etc. before, have we? So, maybe we don’t have to do it.

Elaine: We are required to comply. These things don’t have to be done before the opening, but we should move to become compliant asap.

User Group Reports

Elaine: You guys should decide on 4 user groups.

Scott: I am good with VES. We had a list.

Elaine: If there are any changes, email me.

Scott: I reached out to the user groups that use VES. I have asked how important it is that things be done.

Lu-Ann: VEGA for June 14.

Subcommittee Reports

Bob: The Planning Committee is still working on issues. We will fan them out to Board members. I think that by the next meeting we should be in good shape to present them to the board.

Agenda Item

Staff Reports

a) National Guard Event

Elaine: This is a big event. In January, I was approached by VOV about Cascadia Rising. VOV is hosting a National Guard event and they want an entry spot for a large boat. They want to upload and offload, as well as a place to camp. They will use Jensen Point for the boat. The park will be closed, but the National Guard will pay handsomely. It will span a whole week. They will be camping at Sunrise Ridge. There will also be helicopters there. They will run drills, emergency preparation and earthquake preparation.

b) May 1 Pool Event

Elaine: I don't have anything to say about it. It was open for one day. **Scott** can do the chemical stuff by hand, if necessary.

c) Community Survey

We interviewed three companies. The one we selected was experienced in strategic planning. This guy was a rock star. He told us about things that should be in the survey that we had not thought of. Tom Beckwith, from Beckwith Consulting Group. We will meet for a workshop retreat. His RFP consisted of three pieces: full target of the community (voters), a survey of middle school and high school students. He will do a year-long tourism piece. For the same money, he is doing more than the others. He has a strategy for enticing. He contacts the target groups twice.

d) Ponies Against Pavement Fence Project

Elaine: I am working to get the bid out this week.

e) Jensen Point Boathouse

Elaine: The work is complete. It looks great. The Rowing Club wants to paint a V on the dock.

Bob: This is traditional. I will be painting it.

Scott: Then, should you be recused from the vote?

Bob: No. There is no conflict.

f) Picnics in the Park

Elaine: We are sponsoring this with the Food Bank. The intent is to address kids who need a good meal while school is out. It has been very successful.

g) Concerts in the Park

Elaine: We will start this later than usual. It will start in July. There will be 5 concerts.

Scott: What about using the grass out there?

Elaine: Our irrigation system was ripped out when they built the new library. There is also no source of water.

Jason: We can attempt to do something. The sod is destroyed because of no watering.

h) Properties

	Elaine: Susan Loftland has agreed to assist us.	
VES	Jason: I will not order supplies till they commit to a date. Scott: Are the fields being used now? Robin: Yes. Scott: The two of you should advise them that the fields will be closed. Lu-Ann: They paid for their use. Scott: Well, it shouldn't be an issue. Elaine: Joe has been my contact. Lu-Ann: What has happened in the past? Jason: We thought they were going to do it, but they were confused. Elaine: There were a number of complications. Ms. Rosser has caused a lot of fuss.	
Adjourn	At 8:45 PM, Scott moved and Bob seconded a motion to adjourn. 4-0 in favor of the motion.	
Next Meeting	May 24, 2016, 7:00 PM	

Respectfully submitted by:
Mary Reeves