

# **PARK BOARD MINUTES – April 13, 2011**

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The April 13, 2011 Park Board regular meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chair Robert Kamuda.

## **2. ROLL CALL**

Members present: Chair Robert Kamuda, Sue Contreras, Shawn Fenn, Shelley Kloba, Amy Johnson, Ted Marx, Barbara Ramey and John Smiley.

Vice Chair Sue Keller arrived at 7:14 p.m.

Jennifer Davies was excused.

Staff present: Michael Cogle, Kelsey Hayes, Linda Murphy, Jennifer Schroder and Kurt Triplett.

New Youth Representative Ms. Johnson was introduced to the Board.

## **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms. Contreras moved to approve the March minutes as presented. Ms. Kloba seconded. Motion carried (8-0).

## **4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

No items.

## **5. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS**

No items.

## **6. PRESENTATIONS**

City Manager Kurt Triplett spoke with the Board about the Eastside Rail Corridor.

## **7. COMMUNICATIONS**

### **a. Correspondence**

Ms. Schroder and the Board discussed emails received regarding the Kirkland Teen Union Building (KTUB) and YMCA.

### **b. Staff Reports**

Ms. Schroder updated the Board on the spring/summer brochure, online program registration, North Kirkland Community Center, youth basketball, aquatics, Pee Wee soccer, adult softball leagues, a 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration, volunteer recognition and the new website for the Kirkland Green Foundation.

Ms. Schroder also answered questions regarding Microsoft financial match of volunteer hours and the Green Kirkland program.

Mr. Cogle and Ms. Schroder updated the Board regarding progress toward developing the park site within the Garden Gate housing development.

Ms. Hayes, Recreation Coordinator, provided a presentation to the Board recapping the youth basketball season.

c. Committee Reports

Ms. Ramey reported on emails regarding reconvening the Juanita Neighborhood Association.

Ms. Keller reported on an upcoming Highlands Neighborhood Association meeting and the continued work of Karen Story.

Ms. Johnson reported on her availability to attend the South Rose Hill/Bridle Trail Neighborhood Association's board meetings.

Mr. Smiley announced his decision to resign from the Park Board.

Ms. Kloba reported on the Lakeview Neighborhood Association meeting.

Ms. Contreras updated the Board on the Parking Advisory Board, reported on her tours of Juanita Bay, Crestwoods and Cotton Hill Parks and suggested promoting community volunteers through a series of articles in a local newspaper.

Mr. Marx reported on the Denny Creek Neighborhood Alliance meeting, which focused on the proposed site for the new Finn Hill Fire Station, and announced an April 16<sup>th</sup> event at Juanita Bay Park.

d. Comments from the Chair

Mr. Kamuda re-emphasized the importance of Board participation in the Earth Day cleanup event at Juanita Bay Park on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mr. Kamuda and Mr. Cogle provided the Board an update on the progress of implantation of the Totem Lake Action Plan.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a. Annexation Update

Ms. Murphy requested participation from the Board at the June 1<sup>st</sup> and June 3<sup>rd</sup> Annexation Celebration events.

Board members volunteered to participate in both events and selected work shifts.

b. Juanita Beach Concessions

Mr. Schroder shared the results of the Request for Proposals (RFP) soliciting interest in operating concessions at Juanita Beach Park.

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

### a. Central Houghton Neighborhood Plan Update

Mr. Cogle presented the updated park-related items in the Central Houghton Neighborhood Plan and sought feedback from the Board.

Mr. Smiley moved to approve the updates as presented. Ms. Ramey seconded. Motion carried (9-0).

### b. Potential Park Funding Ballot Measure

Mr. Cogle presented information regarding a potential park funding ballot measure, shared a process and timeline for developing a ballot measure and sought feedback on what needs within the Kirkland park system a ballot measure might address.

The next steps in the planning process were discussed.

Ms. Kloba moved that the Chair appear before the City Council to express the Board's desire to move forward on creation of a citizen exploratory committee for park funding. Ms. Keller seconded. Motion carried (9-0).

### c. Concessions in Parks

Mr. Cogle shared a brief update on the upcoming potential concessionaires for the 2011 vending season.

## **10. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

An executive session was held to discuss two potential property acquisitions.

## **11. MEETING EVALUATION**

"Long."

"Exciting to see how the Board works."

"Picked a good meeting."

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Marx moved to adjourn. Mr. Fenn seconded. Motion carried (9-0).

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

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Jennifer Schroder, Director  
Parks and Community Services

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Robert Kamuda, Chair  
Park Board