

PARK BOARD MINUTES – February 8, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER

The February Park Board regular meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Vice Chair Shawn Fenn.

2. ROLL CALL

Members present: Chair Sue Keller, Vice Chair Shawn Fenn, Sue Contreras, Jennifer Davies, Robert Kamuda, Shelley Kloba, Ted Marx, Barbara Ramey and Adam White.

Amy Johnson was excused.

Staff present: Michael Cogle, Jason Filan, Mike Metteer and Jennifer Schroder.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Kloba moved to approve the January minutes as presented. Mr. Marx seconded. Motion carried (9-0).

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

No items.

5. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

No items.

6. PRESENTATIONS

No items.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Correspondence

Ms. Schroder shared an email regarding tobacco use in parks.

b. Staff Reports

Ms. Schroder answered questions about the Kirkland Triathlon, and commented on the One Night Count of the Homeless, the Pearl Jam tree planting event and the effect of the snow storm on recreation revenue.

c. Committee Reports

Ms. Kloba reported on contacting the Moss Bay Neighborhood and signing up for the Pearl Jam tree planting event and commented on Jasper's Dog Park.

Ms. Davies commented on the Jasper's Dog Park grand opening event.

Ms. Ramey commented on the progress of the Juanita Neighborhood's project at Edith Moulton Park and attendance of the Park Funding Exploratory Committee meeting.

Mr. Marx reported on the Finn Hill Neighborhood Alliance and its meeting with King County Councilmembers, announced upcoming Audubon Society events in February and May and commented on the needs of Tent City.

Mr. White reported on Jasper's Dog Park.

Mr. Fenn reported on the Jasper's Dog Park grand opening event.

d. Comments from the Chair

Ms. Keller reported on the Washington Recreation and Park Association lobby day in Olympia which Ms. Kloba and Ms. Schroder also attended. Ms. Kloba provided comments on the lobby day as well.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Park Funding Exploratory Committee

Mr. Cogle provided an update on the Committee's work and shared a draft project list which the Committee may recommend funding.

The Committee will meet again on February 13th where it is anticipated a final Committee recommendation will be developed for submittal to the City Council at its March 6th Study Session.

Mr. Kamuda and Ms. Ramey shared additional comments.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. Batting Cages

Ms. Schroder introduced John Rudolph, Kirkland American Little League, who submitted a request for batting cages at Everest Park and shared details of the proposed temporary structure.

Mr. Rudolph answered questions from the Board and from staff.

b. Business Services

Mr. Metteer provided an update on the Business Services division's activities and answered related questions.

c. Update to Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan

Mr. Cogle discussed with the Board a potential timeline for update to the City's Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan.

10. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Tara Wilkins spoke in opposition to banning tobacco use in Parks.

11. MEETING EVALUATION

"Very informative."

The Board was informed that the City is accepting applications for vacancies on Boards and Commissions.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Davies moved to adjourn. Mr. White seconded. Motion carried (9-0).

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Jennifer Schroder, Director
Parks and Community Services

Sue Keller, Chair
Park Board