

PARK BOARD MINUTES – January 11, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER

The January Park Board regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Sue Keller.

2. ROLL CALL

Members present: Chair Sue Keller, Vice Chair Shawn Fenn, Sue Contreras, Jennifer Davies, Amy Johnson, Ted Marx and Barbara Ramey.

Robert Kamuda, Shelley Kloba and Adam White were excused.

Staff present: Michael Cogle, Linda Murphy and Jennifer Schroder.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Davies and Ms. Ramey noted corrections. Ms. Davies moved to approve the December minutes as amended. Ms. Contreras seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ray Williams spoke against banning tobacco use in Kirkland Parks.

Jean Guth, President of Kirkland Dog Off-leash Group, invited the Board to the opening of Jasper's Dog Park on January 28th.

Mansoor Jaffrey, representing the Garden Gate Homes development, requested information about a development fee that was paid to the City with the intent of development of a park in that neighborhood. Staff proposed to meet with Mr. Jaffrey to discuss next steps.

5. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

No items.

6. PRESENTATIONS

No items.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Correspondence

No items.

b. Staff Reports

Ms. Schroder reported on winter quarter registration and the transfer of 132nd Square Park, answered questions about cooking classes, kids' triathlon and pea patches, and announced an upcoming Forterra volunteer event on February 11th.

Mr. Cogle answered questions about the upcoming Kirkland Youth Summit.

Ms. Murphy answered questions about marketing.

Ms. Schroder shared the legislative agendas of the City and of Washington Recreation & Parks Association. Ms. Keller and Ms. Kloba will attend WRPA's Legislative Action Day on January 25th.

c. Committee Reports

Ms. Davies announced the upcoming One-Night Count of the Homeless on the Eastside.

Ms. Ramey commented on participation on the Park Funding Exploratory Committee, Pee-Wee Basketball and blogging about family fitness.

Mr. Marx commented on Finn Hill Neighborhood Alliance retreat held at McAuliffe Park.

Ms. Johnson announced an upcoming park clean-up event being held by the Lake Washington High School Honors Society.

Ms. Contreras reported on the Polar Bear Plunge at Marina Park on New Year's Day and the South Rose Hill/Bridle Trails Neighborhood meeting.

Mr. Fenn commented on parks in Boston and New Hampshire recently visited.

d. Comments from the Chair

Ms. Keller commented on Polar Bear Plunge, community involvement, chairing the Board this year and youth basketball.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. 2012 Work Plan

Mr. Cogle presented the unchanged draft of the 2012 Work Plan which was shared with Board at its December meeting. The Board completed an additional review of the Work Plan.

Mr. Fenn moved to adopt the proposed 2012 Work Plan as presented. Ms. Davies seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

b. Park Funding Exploratory Committee

Mr. Cogle provided a presentation given at the Park Funding Exploratory Committee's January 10th meeting on potential funding options available to the City which the Committee is to consider for a potential future ballot measure.

Mr. Cogle shared a preview of items to be discussed at the Committee's January 24th meeting as well as the potential project list given to the Committee for consideration.

Ms. Ramey offered comments on the Committee's work.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. King County Library System Book Cover Posters

Ms. Schroder displayed proposed book cover posters for King County Library System's Take Time to Read campaign. The Board selected four book cover posters to be displayed at downtown Kirkland park locations.

10. MEETING EVALUATION

"Good meeting."

"Very good meeting."

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Marx moved to adjourn. Ms. Ramey seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Jennifer Schroder, Director
Parks and Community Services

Sue Keller, Chair
Park Board