

# **PARK BOARD MINUTES – January 12, 2011**

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The January 12, 2011 Park Board regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chair Sue Keller.

## **2. ROLL CALL**

Members present: Vice Chair Sue Keller, Sue Contreras, Jennifer Davies, Shawn Fenn, Shelley Kloba, Maggie Lehr, Ted Marx and Barbara Ramey.

John Smiley arrived at 7:02 p.m.

Robert Kamuda was excused.

Staff present: Michael Cogle and Linda Murphy.

Ms. Contreras introduced herself to the Board.

Ms. Keller called for nominations for the position of Chair. Mr. Kamuda was nominated and selected by acclamation.

Ms. Keller called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair. Ms. Keller was nominated for the position of Vice Chair and was selected by acclamation.

## **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms. Kloba moved to approve the November 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**

No items.

b. Staff Reports

Mr. Cogle shared staffing changes occurring within the department, announced an upcoming Green Kirkland event at Cotton Hill Park on January 17<sup>th</sup> for the Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, called for volunteers at Juanita Bay Park, announced that the City's Planning Department is working on securing grant from Washington State Department of Natural Resources for urban forestry and sought the Board's approval of the grant.

Ms. Murphy reported on the Snowflake Ball which was held at North Kirkland Community Center (NKCC) in December and shared photos from the event.

Mr. Cogle also presented the Board with current park-related legislative issues and answered questions regarding Board participation in annexation events being planned for June and reported on construction activities at Juanita Beach.

c. Committee Reports

Mr. Fenn reported on a toddler dance and music class he and his child are taking at NKCC.

Ms. Ramey reported on attending Carrie Hite's going away party last week, discussed formation of a block-watch committee in her neighborhood and will be attending the upcoming WRPA legislative event.

Mr. Smiley attended the Moss Bay meeting in November, commented on the swans at Juanita Bay and the restoration of lifeguard funding in the budget. He also requested that Community Resource Officer Ishmael attend a future meeting to talk about crime in parks.

Ms. Lehr attended the downtown tree lighting, a Christmas ships event at Marina Park and the Polar Plunge which were "well organized and successful."

Ms. Contreras reported on the Polar Plunge.

Ms. Kloba reported on an upcoming Lakeview Neighborhood Meeting and an event at the Tukwila Community Center, where she was able to tour a portion of the facility.

Mr. Marx announced an upcoming presentation at Juanita Bay Park and commented on the Christmas ships event at OO Denny Park.

Ms. Keller will be attending the Highlands Neighborhood meeting and spoke about getting a consistent message out from the Park Board at the neighborhood meetings. She also attended a recent Eastside Time Bank board meeting.

There was additional discussion about neighborhood associations and the establishment of new neighborhood associations in the annexation area.

d. Comments from the Chair

Ms. Keller spoke about the City's tree canopy goal and commented on a public tree that was recently cut down for a Christmas tree.

## **8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### a. Forbes Lake Park

Mr. Cogle spoke to the Board regarding proposed changes to the scope of the first phase of Forbes Lake development due to a reduction in available funding and answered related questions.

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

### a. 2011 Work Plan

Mr. Cogle presented a draft list of items for the 2011 Work Plan, sought feedback and answered related questions.

Ms. Lehr moved to accept the proposed work plan with the addition of the topic of the Eastside Rail Corridor. Ms. Davies seconded. Motion carried (9-0).

## **10. MEETING EVALUATION**

"Nice to get back in saddle."

"Productive meeting."

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Kloba moved to adjourn. Ms. Ramey seconded. Motion carried (9-0).

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

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Michael Cogle, Park Planning & Development Manager  
Parks and Community Services

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Sue Keller, Vice Chair  
Park Board