

PARK BOARD MINUTES – March 14, 2007

1. CALL TO ORDER

The March 14, 2007 Park Board meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Chair Robert Kamuda.

2. ROLL CALL

Members present: Chair Robert Kamuda, Chuck Bartlett, Michelle Goerdel, Kevin Hanefeld, Liesl Olson and Cindy Zech.

Vice Chair Colleen Cullen and Jeff Trager arrived at 7:02 p.m.

Staff present: Michael Cogle, Carrie Hite and Jennifer Schroder.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hanefeld motioned to approve the February minutes. Ms. Olson seconded. Motion carried (6-0).

4. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Bartlett and Mr. Kamuda provided an overview of the Joint Meeting with City Council. Ms. Zech asked for more information about the Cross Kirkland Trail. Council asked that the Transit Center Committee receive Park Board representation to which Mr. Bartlett volunteered.

Sound Transit was added as a topic of discussion for the April meeting, and announcement was made of the April 23rd open house.

5. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Melissa Robertson, 2904 4th Avenue West, Seattle, spoke regarding the Spencer C. Frenette Ascension Foundation, shared the proposed design of a sculpture being commissioned by the Foundation and requested the Board consider placement of the sculpture within a Kirkland park.

6. PRESENTATIONS

Leslie Batten of Cascade Land Conservancy presented a slideshow and updated the Board about the Green Kirkland partnership and discussed the 20-year plan to inventory, assess and restore the City's forested land.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Correspondence

Ms. Schroder shared a letter received by Teresa Sollitto from a Cub Scout Pack who visited Juanita Bay Park.

b. Staff Reports

Ms. Hite answered questions related to the McAuliffe Park Working Farm RFP, boat launch card system, dock master position and concessions.

Mr. Cogle updated the Board on the Forbes Lake project with regard to a proposed fishing pier at the lake and answered related questions.

Ms. Schroder reported on her attendance at the National Recreation and Park Association's Legislative Forum and discussed the continued lobbying for the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, the PLAY Every Day Act, school nutrition programs, and CDBG funding.

c. Committee Reports

Mr. Kamuda and Ms. Cullen attended the Parking Advisory Board meeting regarding parking at Marina Park/Lakeshore Plaza. Ms. Cullen requested that a representative from the Parking Advisory Board meet with the Park Board prior to presenting Council with the final proposed parking changes at this site.

Mr. Kamuda received request from Jeremy McMahan (Planning and Community Development) for Park Board representation on the newly formed Downtown Advisory Committee. Mr. Trager volunteered for this assignment.

d. Comments from the Chair

Mr. Kamuda presented thanks to Ms. Goerdel and Ms. Olson for their service to the Board.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Items.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. Kirkland Youth Council

Members of the Kirkland Youth Council came to update the Board and answer questions related to their completed and upcoming work projects. They discussed the reconvening of the Kirkland Youth Traffic Court; mini-grants; the "We've Got Issues" television program; quarterly meetings with the Lake Washington School District Superintendent; P.H.A.T.K.A.T, a peer-based anti-tobacco support team; updates to the "teen manual;" the BlueFish Festival; and activities at the Kirkland Teen Union Building.

b. Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan

Mr. Cogle introduced the upcoming update to the Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan, highlighted aspects of the current plan and illustrated the next steps that will last the remainder of the year.

10. MEETING EVALUATION

Sue Keller and Stephanie Johnson were announced as the new Park Board members.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bartlett motioned to adjourn. Mr. Hanefeld seconded. Motion carried (8-0).

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Jennifer Schroder, Director
Parks and Community Services

Robert Kamuda, Chair
Park Board