

# VASHON PARK DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

Ober Park, Performance Room, 7:00 pm

DATE: March 10, 2009

**BOARD MEMBERS**

***PRESENT***

***ABSENT***

<b>B. AMELING</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>K. PESMAN</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>D. HACKETT</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>J. WALD</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>M. COLLINS</b>	<b>X</b>	

ISSUE	DISCUSSION AND OUTCOME	FOLLOW UP
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<p><i>Mike called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm</i></p>		
<p><i>Review of Agenda</i></p>	<p>None</p>	
<p><i>Approval of Minutes</i></p>	<p><i>Approval of Minutes (see attachment #2-Minutes),</i> <u><i>Unanimous</i></u></p>	<p><b>Resolution #09-013</b></p>
<p><i>Approval of Vouchers</i></p>	<p><i>Approval of Vouchers 09-093 through 09-170 (see attachment 3-Vouchers).</i> <u><i>Unanimous</i></u></p>	<p><b>Resolution #09-014</b></p>
<p><i>Public Comment</i></p>	<p>Bonnie DeSteiger stated she is interested in the KCLS/Library situation. Bonnie asked about the meeting that was held on March 3, 2009. Bonnie referred to an email that she received today stating they are proceeding with a future meeting to discuss the two options. Bonnie asked if Mike would be willing to share the information with her after that meeting. VMICC has prepared a survey that will be sent on March 19<sup>th</sup> to every registered voter regarding the location of the library. The survey has to be returned by April 3, and she is hoping the survey will have a good show of public support to have the library at Ober Park.</p>	
<p><i>Pt. Robinson Master Plan</i></p>	<p>Bill stated that he, Capt. Joe and Wendy recently met and discussed keeping the Caretaker residence where it is now, separating the caretaker utilities etc. and not pursuing the house on the</p>	

<p><i>Update</i></p>	<p>hill.</p> <p>Captain Joe stated he does recommend the house on the hill. Captain Joe submitted a letter regarding the position of the keepers for the house on the hill and gave a brief overview of his and the Keeper's continued support for the house on the hill. Captain Joe stated the Master Plan does call for separate quarters for the caretaker. He stated the Keepers have invested a great deal of time in the project and have met each of the commissioner's requests for changes, additions and other issues assuming the project will go forward. A discussion followed, Captain Joe asked for a final decision to the Keeper's this evening. Mike asked the audience for comments:</p> <p>Gary Sipple - a former Keeper Board member and a current member. Gary stated that the rentals are a good investment regardless of what the revenue is used for. Gary stated he is objecting to the postponing of the project and asked the commissioners to look at the long term benefit of making the investment in the house on the hill. Gary stated the most vandalism has always occurred in the upper park not the lower.</p> <p>Lynn Miller - a community member feels it is a really poor idea to spend additional revenue considering the state of the economy. She is concerned that the park district is in the rental business. She would prefer the monies stay in the park and have the buildings restored. She does not want another building but would prefer to see the caretaker receive a salary.</p> <p>Carol McLean – a former commissioner and responsible for putting together the Master Plan. Carol stated back when the original Master Plan was formed, there were three public meetings held and the community was in agreement with the Master Plan which included the separate caretaker house in the upper park.</p> <p>Jean Richstad – current member of the Keeper's of Pt. Robinson. Jean asked why the commissioner are changing the course and not proceeding with the house on the hill. The Master Plan provides the opportunity to preserve and share the space of the park.</p> <p>Bill Ameling shared his position: No one knows what the future is going to hold. One year from now a maintenance and operations levy will be put before the voters, the same time as the school district. Bill asked what the attitude will be when it comes time to vote. Bill stated he is in a very conservative position and would not spend additional money until next year. The park district is different from other organizations, if the school district does not pass their M&amp;O levy they still receive 75% of their revenue, if the M&amp;O levy fails for the park district there is no revenue. Bill is simply suggesting waiting for a year or two.</p> <p>Mike reflected on the previous meeting regarding whether the park needed a caretaker, he agrees that not only is a caretaker needed and he thought he heard the public say they wanted the caretaker down at the water. Is that not true and how is that being considered?</p>	
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<p><i>Break</i></p> <p><i>BARC Update</i></p> <p><i>Interlocal Update</i></p>	<p>Kristen agreed that the Keeper’s have worked very hard and the original plan is in the Master Plan. She wants to have the house on the hill, however she agrees that this is probably not the time.</p> <p>Joe stated he too is torn, he would like to proceed with the house on the hill; his hesitancy is simply timing.</p> <p>A discussion followed, Captain Joe said he would be satisfied with wording as “deferred”. The commissioners have agreed to keep the subject of the house on the hill open as a future point of discussion. It is agreed that this is not the right timing to pursue the project. Mike wanted everyone to know how appreciative the commissioners and staff are for all of the work that the Keeper’s have done and continue to do.</p> <p>Scott Fischbach noticed Dave Hackett is not currently here at the meeting, however back in January when the meeting was held, he said that David had noted the publics comments and he was in favor of keeping the caretaker residence down at the water. Scott stated that all the activity happens down at the water. The caretaker position is better provided at the waterfront.</p> <p>Bill Mann – asked about video surveillance, couldn’t it be installed in the upper area and not build an additional house on the hill.</p> <p>Wendy asked about the improvements to the Caretaker residence. Captain Joe would like to look at the details with Tim and Wendy as well as the Keeper’s project manager and discuss their options.</p> <p><b>7:55 – 8:00pm</b></p> <p>Jim Gerlach made a presentation with the final plans, Landscape Design (see attachment #4- Landscape Design) and BARC: Estimate of Probable Costs (see attachment #4a-bchanges- BARC: Estimate of Probable Costs). Jim stated that these plans do not include restrooms etc. He urged staff to go after grants and public funds. A discussion followed. Tim’s first recommendations is ground cover to fight invasives, landscape entrances and secure the park from vehicles etc. then work inward from that point on. The committee/staff need to come up with the “phases” and assign timelines for individual projects in the plan.</p> <p>Wendy provided a brief overview of the process and presented the amended draft, the Interlocal Agreement Between the Vashon School District and the Vashon Park District (see attachment #5- Interlocal Agreement Between the Vashon School District and the Vashon Park District). A discussion followed. Wendy stated that David had wanted two items noted: the school district</p>	<p><b>Laura and David will work out the details of the Interlocal and present a</b></p>
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<p><i>EOY – 2009 Budget</i></p> <p><i>Board and Staff Reports</i></p>	<p>has offered to install meters to better quantify the uses and he would like all of the Park District’s costs to be part of the interlocal – Access and Scheduling costs. Laura wanted the costs shared but thought the intention was to only include the athletic field maintenance costs. Bill stated that the intention of the interlocal has always been to share costs but never with the expectation that the sharing would be 50/50. He feels that the amount each district puts into the interlocal should be determined yearly with the Maint. Supervisor and the Facility Director determining an annual program for maintenance and improvements. Wendy reported that the \$45,000 for 2008 is being sent to the school district. This gives the schools \$45,000 to use to match the second \$45,000 from the parks to create a fund for implementing the interlocal. It was agreed that the interlocal should provide the framework and leave out some of the details that would be part of the working guidelines and/or that could be determined each year. Laura stated for the most part she feels the Park District and School District are on the same page. All agree that the interlocal was going well and Mike asked that the school board consider inviting the park board to an upcoming meeting to officially adopt the interlocal and discuss the intentions.</p> <p>Wendy presented the End of Year Budget – 2009 (see attachment #6-End of Year Budget – 2009). A brief overview followed. It was agreed the commissioners would review the materials and it would be brought back as a discussion item at the next meeting to clarify any questions. The Final budget for 2009 was reviewed. Some discussion followed about the amount of truly unallocated/committed funds for the year. Tim requested consideration for the purchase of the EZ Docking system for Jensen point.</p> <p><i>Kristen motioned to purchase the Pt. EZ Dock System</i>  <i>Joe seconded the motion</i></p> <p><b><u>Tim Reported</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Caretaker apartment renovations for the Pt. Robinson QB apartment could be as much as \$52K for all features of soundproofing, utility upgrades, etc. Just the electrical and heating improvements would be less than \$7K. The board approved for staff to proceed with those improvements under \$7K and use bond funds for Pt. Robinson.</li> <li>⇒ Tramp Harbor Pier Inspections – He has received three proposals for an inspection. They range from \$14 and \$10K. All would provide a Professional Engineering Analysis and a ten year plan with fixes. Tim requested direction from the commissioners; Bill stated there is an approval in place for \$15K and he should proceed.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Susan Reported</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Women’s Roller Derby is coming to the O’ Space as a VISP fundraiser. March 28, 2009 6pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>final draft by the end of April.</b></p> <p><b>To be voted on at the next meeting</b></p>
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<p><i>Agenda Items</i></p> <p><i>Meeting Adjourned 8:24pm</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Concert series are set</li> <li>⇒ Spring programs have been launched</li> <li>⇒ Kayak Center – ready to purchase new boats and equipment</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Wendy Reported</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Grant Writer position – Wendy presented Grant Writer Position Consideration For Discussion (see attachment #7- Writer Position Consideration For Discussion) Wendy is suggesting a contractor position and not an employee. Discussion followed to accept Wendy’s recommendation and to go ahead and advertise for the position as the need for grant funds is pressing.</li> </ul> <p><b>Kristen motioned to hire a contracted Grant Writer for 6mo not to exceed \$50- per hr. Joe seconded the motion</b></p> <p><b><u>Joe Reported</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Sunrise Ridge Board meeting – Joe stated they are obtaining bids to address the parking lot issues.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Mike Reported</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Covered Arena Update – Tom Stewart is withdrawing his donation. His donation dictated the size of the arena. Now that he has withdrawn there are new considerations. Changes may cause new permitting issues.</li> <li>⇒ KCLS – DDES folks met with Kay Johnson and staff. KCLS staff is digesting the information and will provide info to Mike. Preliminarily, Kay reports that new construction on the Ober site is not a viable option so they are focusing on a remodel. Kay stated there are some problems with the Ober property including the requirement to maintain a street “frontage”, surface water issues and well covenant issues. Mike will be contacting Kay next Tuesday.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>March 24, 2009 – Meeting Cancelled</u></b></p> <p><b><u>April 14, 2009</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Grant Writer and EZ Dock – Vote</li> <li>⇒ EOY Budget - 2009</li> <li>⇒ Carol Ireland McLean – Community Care Center</li> <li>⇒ Interlocal Final Draft – David/Laura</li> <li>⇒ 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Communication &amp; Funding</li> </ul> <p><i>Good night</i></p>	<p><b>To be voted on at the next meeting</b></p>

