

VASHON PARK DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

Ober Park, Evergreen Room, 7:00 pm

DATE: September 8, 2009

B. AMELING	X	
K. PESMAN	X	
D. HACKETT	X	
J. WALD	X	
M. COLLINS	X	

ISSUE	DISCUSSION AND OUTCOME	FOLLOW UP
<i>Mike called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm</i>		
<i>Review of Agenda</i>	No Comments	
<i>Approval of Minutes</i>	<i>Approval of Minutes (see attachment #2-Minutes),</i> <u>Unanimous</u>	Resolution #09-031
<i>Approval of Vouchers</i>	<i>Approval of Vouchers 09-609 through 09-686 (see attachment 3-Vouchers),</i> <u>Unanimous</u>	Resolution #09-032
<i>Public Comment</i>	Tom Bangasser submitted a Public Participation Chart – Five Levels of Engagement (see attachment #4- Public Participation Chart – Five Levels of Engagement). Tom gave a brief overview of the document.	
	Charles Hitchings stated he is seeking clarity from the board, regarding closure of public parks. Charles stated the Heart of the Sound Triathlon event closed Jensen Point and did not allow people in or out. He also noted that the organizers were rude to park users. Charles asked if this was to be expected from our public parks, and what changes can be made with such an event so there is no impact on the community. Wendy gave a brief overview of what normally happens at this annual event and also suggested the Unitarian Event call ahead in the future and reserve a "part" of the park for their event. Charles was equally frustrated at the lack of safety shown to participants.	
<i>Library Lease</i>		

	<p>Mike presented Lease Agreement Between Vashon Park District and King County Library System for Portion of Real Property located in the Southwest corner of Ober Park on Vashon Island (see attachment #5- Lease Agreement Between Vashon Park District and King County Library System for Portion of Real Property located in the Southwest corner of Ober Park on Vashon Island). Mike brought fellow commissioners and members of the audience up to date regarding the work with KCLS. Mike state KCLS provided an amendment to the current lease that was made between KC Parks and KCLS. The current lease does not include VPD as the lease began in 1982. The draft lease being considered tonight is a new lease. -</p> <p>A discussion followed regarding the draft document. Bonnie DeSteiguer stated that the Community Council has authorized the creation of a five member board - Vashon Public Library Board. Tom Bangasser reported that he had been asking questions regarding the \$6 million library and 10,000sqft foot library plan. Tom stated his concern is that we are heading into a new lease when the old lease does not expire until 2017. Tom feels it is a mistake for the Park District board to be dealing with KCLS staff. He recommends instead that we should have a Real Estate agent as well as an alternative representative to represent the district and provide the best negotiations possible. Martin suggested requesting that participation from their Board as well as staff from both KCLS and the District represent this issue. Tom is suggesting we wait at least 8 weeks to see if they provide the documents he has request via Public Records request. Martin feels the KCLS Board has been very fair. Jack Churchill suggested attorneys should be representing the terms and details of the lease.</p> <p>Mike would like to see the draft lease go forward and wait on the KCLS response. If they are in disagreement then at that time ask for both a staff and Board member participation in all future meetings and or discussions regarding the lease.</p> <p>Bill stated the lease states we have to comply with all laws; however, he does not believe it is the Districts position to state who at KCLS dictates the lease. He believes the park district's responsibility is to be sure the community gets a 10,000 square foot building out of it and other groups of the community to seek details on other specifics.</p> <p>Mike thanked everyone present for their comments and suggestions; he restated his position in wanting to remain credible with KCLS by submitting a draft lease.</p> <p>Tom stated again for the record that negotiating a new lease is premature.</p> <p>Lease discussion continued, Dave suggested making dates of use clear in the cover letter. A discussion followed regarding the Master Plan and the intentions of reconfiguring the southern portion of the park etc., David noted the final lease revisions.</p> <p>Martin recommended that Mike take copies of the draft lease to the next KCLS Board of Trustees</p>	<p>WB to check original lease document for specific language regarding purpose and donation.</p> <p>Wendy will incorporate</p>
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<p><i>Break 8:32pm</i></p> <p><i>Levy Information</i></p> <p><i>Employee Compensation/Merit Considerations</i></p> <p><i>Board and Staff Reports</i></p> <p><i>RCO Grant Contract</i></p> <p><i>Grant Program Update</i></p> <p><i>Agenda Items</i></p>	<p>meeting to represent the lease and ask for open discussion regarding the proposed lease. Sept 29th in Issaquah is the next KCLS meeting, Mike stated he will be out of town but assured the audience there would be further discussion regarding the meeting.</p> <p><i>Reconvened at 8:40pm</i></p> <p>Mike gave an update regarding current levy activity. Mike is in the process of writing an article focusing on the levy and the proposed increase. A discussion followed regarding personal articles the different commissioners will be writing. Bill suggested sharing everything that the district does, including what has been accomplished in the past levy years. Bill said the district can put out a communication campaign but the Friends of the Park District should be promoting the district. David, Bill and Mike stated they would write an article for the local paper. Joe volunteered to work on locating a person to head up the Friends of the Park District. We will proceed with the October 13th Levy Information Night before the regularly scheduled board meeting.</p> <p><i>Due to the time, Mike asked that the compensation discussion be postponed and all commissioners email Wendy their suggestions and or recommendations for change.</i></p> <p><i>Board and Staff Reports were postponed to the next meeting -</i></p> <p>Wendy presented WWRP Project Agreement – Outdoor Recreation Account (see attachment #7- WWRP Project Agreement – Outdoor Recreation Account). Mike reviewed, approved and signed the contract for the VES Athletic Field project.</p> <p>Wendy presented the September 2009 Grant Status Report (see September 2009 Grant Status Report). Susan gave a brief update on the grant meeting she and Allison attended this afternoon for the KC Park Youth Sports Facility Grants. Susan asked the district to commit additional funds to the BARC grant match. Kristin proposed raising it from \$6K to \$30K. The commissioners agreed to a \$30K match for the BARC capital project.</p> <p>Wendy presented additional grants that are currently being considered, David asked if there are any Art/Theatre grants that we are pursuing, commissioners agreed to pursue the additional grants. The board approved the grant requests presented.</p> <p><u>Sept 22, 2009 meeting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ <i>Employee Compensation/Evaluation Programs</i> ⇒ <i>Board & Staff Reports</i> 	<p>the attorney comments and all revisions, changes and additions from tonight’s meetings. A copy will be sent to Mike for review and Mike will prepare a cover letter and WB will send it KCLS.</p> <p>WB will call Bill Thursday to help remind him his letter is due.</p>
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<p><i>Meeting Adjourned 9:11pm</i></p>	<p>⇒ <i>KCLS Lease Review</i> ⇒ <i>Project Updates – VES / Pt. Robinson</i> ⇒ <i>Lodging Policy</i></p> <p><i>Good night</i></p>	