

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Minutes

Thursday, November 21, 2002

Jack Davis Parks Maintenance Shop
690 County Shop Lane
Burlington WA 98233

6:30 – 6:35 p.m. Roll Call of General Meeting

Attended:

John Semrau
Keith Magee
Lloyd Brown

Colleen Fisher

Peter Swanson
Jeri Krampetz

Absent:

Liz McNett Crowl

Curtis Metz
Carroll Dillon

Staff:

Bob Vaux
Patrik Dylan
Dennis Lind
Mike Elde
Brian Adams
Mary Ann Dodge

Colleen and Jeri made motions to accept as corrected.
Bob added addition to agenda the discussion of officers

6:40 – 6:45 p.m. Public Comment Period – This section of the agenda is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board of an issue that is not on the agenda. Comments on issues that are planned for future meeting agendas should be held for that meeting. There were no public visitors at this meeting. No public.

6:45 – 7:15 Staff Reports

and now in county.

Has Best Self Summer 2002 report. For questions contact Tawni.

Sare's Bluff – more information on work there. Anacortes American had article called saving shoreline. Met with Mike Cooper – who will present a proposal in January.

Read the Anacortes American on the web.

No budget update yet. Gary Rowe would schedule time if requested. With Best Self – they have their own board, had interesting discussion and we look for continued good things with them. Bob wants to get a close relationship with GR – from Jefferson County.

Cap Facilities Plan – gun range to trails – everything. Planning Commission doesn't recognize the Cascade Trail. CFP has no link to the funding. Just a compliance issue. P&P had consultant brought in to help. Next year should be less hectic.

Had lunch meeting Re: hiring another park ranger to work at Walker Valley – some interest. This closure has impact other systems.

Office space – no changes.

Mike – good job at Lyman – through city trail is 20 feet from where road. Kids made a good bike jump, cool. They used some of our barriro to make more jumps. Lyman asked for our help. We used a cat, cemented in a new fence and placed 300# boulders. It looks good – like a park setting. The result has been positive with relationship between Mayer and other city folks.

Hwy Trail – SWAM Kiwanis Club. A small enthusiastic group – Jeroldine and Margaret Fleek were supposed to meet with Bob and Brian the next day, but it didn't happen. Yet – This trail is easy to fund – fits in with special pathways. BNRR has assigned

WRPA Midyear – past. WA State Trails Coalition also met – Bob out of that obligation now.

Indoor rec center at WSU – he was impressed (\$32 mil). Top of the line.

Also a new one in Ephrata – finally. (John) Keith – that one would be the kind to look at. To get something good at a lower expense is more applicable to us. Look at creative community projects. – more real.

Grant from Anacortes for signs at Guemes (\$1900). We had a close record hearing on gun range – against SC and in favor of CART. Cs heard the appeal yesterday and will come out with their ruling next Tuesday. John – it will go back to Sno County court.

Dennis: - handout.

Patrik – good news. Application to state for renovation of Custer Field. Looks like we will get funded. First though the state has to approve their budget. We won't know for sure until July. That would allow a complete renovation at SVC. Boat Launch – parking lot is painted, signage, - completely done by end of year. Time for ribbon-cutting. New fees schedule will start at beginning of next year. \$5/slot and also a permitting system. Decals will be \$75/year permit (for high users). Colleen asked if there is a retailer that could sell them for us. Dennis – what about the auditor? Bob – trail maps – if we sell it to the vendor, they sell it.

NSRA – we don't have master through SEPA process – Planning has had a few changes. (missed part of the rest – Bob squeaking chair) released consultant today. Not pleased with information - 2nd consultant today was notified today. Groundbreaking in 2005 – infrastructure. Nat Park service – Florida conference – well received there. Trails are happening all across the US.

NS Brochure mock-up funded by Nat Park Service.

HM shelter project. Ask Patrik if you want more info.

Projects with Jeri's group – helping revegetate at HM – removal of noxious weeds and putting in native vegetation. Students helping. In HM undeveloped area toward river – pseudo bamboo ... fast growing.

Mike – HM staff is complete – going well. MS and Ranger Lou work well together. ER other park maint position. Concrete kid with past park experience. Marshall has been working on a float for MV and SW Christmas parades. Decorating night next Tuesday. Having this nice dry building will help us work on projects this winter. Yesterday – Harvey Walden came by the shop to check it out. He also had a part in it.

Keith – King County giving and selling parks to municipalities. Does that mean that cities and town have a better budget system? And is there any thing that is worth thinking about in our county. 1) Bob – all his buds take on these parks to save them from disappearing. Pools in King County – no one really wanted them. MI took over Luther Burbank – big piece of property. We have two facilities would be the Cleveland park – once was MV's park. It is outside of our typical – the other is BERP – all we really do with that is the scheduling. We were involved with the IAC process. Allen was also part of the IAC grant. We'd want to keep Allen. School mows it, we do some prep work. Allen has helped with college use staying off of SVC.

Patrik – With the Growth Management Act, the population growth is being concentrated in the cities. With new development in the cities are the new tax revenues. This contributes to the relative economic health of cities compared to counties. We still have a reasonable budget, which may change in the future.

Jeri – Olympia funding – there will be fees on everything. Residents will be paying for a lot more than they have in the past.

Move to open nominations for Chairman and Vice – so moved Colleen and Lloyd

Leave it open – contact Bob or John – close and the next meeting and vote. Peter asked how long John has done the Chair. 4 or 5

7:50 – 7:15 p.m. Current Business/Board Discussion Period

Adjourned at 7:40