

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF FALL CITY METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT
OF KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON
HELD DECEMBER 15, 2009

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fall City Metropolitan Park District (FCMPD) of King County, Washington, was held December 15, 2009, at the Fall City King County Library, 33415 42nd Place SE, Fall City, Washington, at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners Harris, Moderow, Pettersson, and Wilkins were present. Commissioner Schneidler was absent and his absence was excused.

Also present were Travis Stombaugh and Ryan Daly (Si View Metropolitan Park District), Gene Achziger and Eric Kasnick (Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District), Lori Watts, Sifu Johann Sasynuik, Cory Huskinson, and Terri Divers.

1. Call to Order.

Commissioner Harris acted as Chairman of the meeting and business was conducted as follows. He stated that Commissioner Moderow has volunteered to take minutes of this meeting. Business was conducted as follows.

2. Minutes and Resolutions.

Minutes of the regular meeting held November 17, 2009 were read and approved.

3. Financial Report and Vouchers.

The Financial Report was reviewed. There were no vouchers drawn on the Maintenance Fund. The District received its 2010 Certification of Assessed Valuation in the amount of \$1,116,674,652.

Warrants - Authorized Signatures.

After discussion, upon motion duly made and seconded, Commissioner Harris and Commissioner Moderow were authorized to serve as Administrative Lead and the Commissioners signed as Commissioners and the Secretary then executed the warrant authorized signatures document on behalf of the District.

4. Correspondence

The District received cc correspondence from Fall City Community Association (FCCA) to Councilmember Kathy Lambert regarding its support for maintaining public access to the Snoqualmie Valley Trail via SE 39th Street.

5. Committee Reports

- A. Administrative Committee: Commissioner Harris
(Agenda, Minutes, Bookkeeping, Record keeping, Insurance, Legal Services, Electronic Communications Research – Website, Web Hosting, E-mail)

1. Legal Services

Commissioner Harris reported that he and Commissioner Wilkins met with attorneys Richard (Dick) Jonson and Bruce Disend to determine if either would be a good fit to represent the District as general counsel. Based upon these meetings Commissioner Harris preferred Mr. Disend because of his and his firm's greater experience with similar Park Districts (Si View [SVMPD] and Key Peninsula) and exclusive work with municipal clients (such as North Bend, Duvall, and Sammamish). The law firm of Kenyon-Disend also had more price competitive labor rates for their attorneys. Commissioner Wilkins also believed that Bruce Disend would be his choice for general counsel for the District.

Terri Divers asked if FCMPD retains the same attorney as SVMPD and there is a potential conflict with SVMPD, would FCMPD be in a second position to SVMPD. Commissioner Harris agreed to pose this scenario to Mr. Disend and would report back at the next meeting.

After discussion, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Commissioners unanimously approved selecting Bruce Disend to represent the District as general counsel.

2. Electronic Communications

The District's website has been updated with approved meeting minutes.

B. Vision, Mission, and Goals Committee: Commissioner Pettersson

Commissioner Pettersson presented to the Board the eight revised District Goals based upon comments received at the previous Regular Meeting. Johann Sasyniuk suggested that the word 'education' be added to goal number 5.

After discussion, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Commissioners unanimously approved the revised Goals, incorporating the suggested 'education' edit, along with the previously accepted Vision and Mission.

It was discussed that specifics and priorities for the eight District Goals would be discussed further at another meeting.

C. Park Lands Committee: Commissioner Moderow

Commissioner Moderow reviewed the Survey Monkey survey and obtained approval from the Board to issue it. The Board agreed to e-mail the link to the survey to schools, clubs, Fall City Neighbors, and the Valley Record. Commissioners Moderow and Pettersson agreed to write a common introduction to the survey for the various community groups. Commissioner Harris agreed to post the link on the District website. Commissioner Wilkins agreed to e-mail the link to schools and ball clubs. Commissioner Moderow agreed to e-mail the link to the equestrian groups.

6. Representative Report: Commissioner Wilkins

(Friends of Fall City Parks, Park & Recreation Regional [Snoqualmie Valley] Task Force, King County Communications Liaison)

Commissioner Wilkins' report is included under Old Business.

7. Old Business

A. SE 39th Street Access to Snoqualmie Valley Trail (SVT)

Commissioner Wilkins reported that King County Parks and Recreation Director Kevin Brown is optimistic that the County will be able to negotiate with Mr. Wall to resolve the issue of impeded access to the SVT. Lori Watts noted that Jeff McMorris, Chief of Staff to Councilmember Lambert, was less optimistic in his recent presentation to FCCA.

Commissioner Schneider prepared a letter to submit to King County Executive Dow Constantine on behalf of FCMPD. The Board had a few suggested edits to the letter and will forward them to Commissioner Schneider for their incorporation.

Raging River Riders will be circulating an iPetition to draw signatures from the broader community and users.

B. Quigley Park Stage (FCCA)

Terri Divers stated that the stage is planned with corner post, not have a permanent foundation and would be placed in the park similar to the gazebo at the Preston Community Center. She noted that she understood that the project is still in the feasibility phase so it will not go to the community at large until they are sure it can be built.

Commissioner Wilkins offered to draft a letter to FCCA to ask that they get community approval before proceeding with construction of the project.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Commissioners unanimously authorized Commissioner Wilkins to draft a letter to FCCA asking them to get community approval before proceeding with construction of the stage.

C. Raging River / Shaswabs Trail

Mr. Sasynuik provided to the Board brought legal documents that outline options for opening the trail. Mr. Sasynuik claims that a mistake in the plat by the State needs to be corrected but because of the age of the plat mistake it would be difficult to correct without paying property owners compensation. Commission Harris suggested that the District review this issue with our general counsel if and when the time is appropriate before the Board could take any action.

8. New Business

A. Si View MPD –Travis Stombaugh Presentation

SVMPD Executive Director Travis Stombaugh and Program Director Ryan Daly and presented some of their programs and activities that they are running in the Fall City area. They handed out information on Scholarship program as well as before and after school programs currently managed by them.

- After school program scholarships: In North Bend, 3 kids have scholarships (out of 25), stipends, grants, or subsidized programming. Commissioner Harris inquired about FCMPD partnership opportunities on scholarships for programs at FCES. SVMPD can apply for any program, although they set maximum contribution of \$200 per year per person. SVMPD is able to fund all applicants within their District.

- SVMPD Comprehensive Plan: Commissioner Harris inquired whether FCMPD could use the SVMPD template for writing its Comprehensive Plan. SVMPD spent \$12K on its public input survey because of its high degree of statistical validation and they surveyed 3,000 citizens. SVMPD has done two surveys since 2003 and plans on doing one for 2010 based on its recreation program.

- General Counsel: Questions were asked about SVMPD's attorney Bruce Dyson who had interviewed with FCMPD. Mr. Stombaugh found that Bruce is very good and stays current with issues relevant to Park Districts. He is also able to provide clarification on laws and regulations when issues arise.

- Earth Day/Arbor Day/Parks Appreciation Day: Commissioner Harris inquired whether SVMPD participates in any of these events. Mr. Stombaugh stated that they City of North Bend typically leads these efforts.

- Current programs going on in the Fall City area: SVMPD offers programs at three SVMPD area schools and also at Fall City Elementary School.

- a. After School Programming – Commissioner Wilkins asked about program rates at FCES for before and after school child care. Commissioner Wilkins suggested that FCMPD evaluate the costs of offering scholarships and partnering with SVMPD to have them continue to run the program.

- b. Athletic Training Programs – Interlocal agreement with Snoqualmie Valley School District thru "HUB" that allows free use of school facilities when not in use. Now interlocal has changed to pay 5% of revenue and help refinish sport floors. Other programs include: Quick Handle, Basketball Workout, and Jump/Slam/Dunk Conditioning

- c. Youth Basketball League – includes: Travel League and Recreational League

B. 2010 Regular Meetings

After discussion, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Commissioners unanimously approved switching the week of the regular meetings from the 3rd Tuesday to the 4th Tuesday of the month.

C. 2010 Goals / Planning Meetings

Commissioner Harris suggested holding two special meetings, the first to set the agenda of topics to discuss at the 2010 goals and planning meeting. The second special meeting would then be held to discuss the 2010 goals and planning topics.

After discussion, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Commissioners unanimously approved holding a Special Meeting on December 29th at 7:00 at the Fall City Library to discuss and set the agenda for the 2010 goals and planning meeting, and another Special Meeting on January 12th at 5:00 at the Fall City Fire Station to discuss and decide 2010 goals and plans.

D. 2010 Officers Election

Terri Divers reminded the Board that officer elections for Districts are typically held annually at the end of the year and that typically the Secretary is moved up to President and a new Secretary is elected. Commissioner Harris was unanimously nominated as President and Commissioner Moderow was unanimously nominated for Secretary of the Board of Commissioners for the calendar year 2010.

After discussion, upon motion duly made and seconded, Resolution No. 9 was unanimously adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 9

A RESOLUTION approving the election of Kirk Harris as President and Lee Moderow as Secretary of the Board of Commissioners for the calendar year 2010.

9. Business from the Floor

Cory Huskinson noted that he would be interested in participating in an environmental or agricultural component of education for the District if and when the opportunity arose. He and his wife restored the 100-year-old "The Baxter Barn" which is now listed on Washington State's Heritage Barn Register. Over the last year, working with King Conservation and King County, their farm has been restored to a "clean farm" through true conservation methods. The Baxter Farm has been the catalyst for restoring and preserving an entire Patterson Creek neighborhood.

10. Adjourn

The next special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fall City Metropolitan Park District of King County, Washington, will be held at the Fall City King County Library, on Tuesday, December 29, 2009, at the Fall City King County Library, 33415 42nd Place SE, Fall City, Washington, at 7:00 p.m.

The following special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fall City Metropolitan Park District of King County, Washington, will be held Tuesday, January 12, 2010, at the Fall City Fire District No. 27 Station located at 4301 334th PL SE, Fall City, Washington, at 5:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fall City Metropolitan Park District of King County, Washington, will be held at the Fall City King County Library, on Tuesday, January 26, 2010, at the Fall City King County Library, 33415 42nd Place SE, Fall City, Washington, at 7:00 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

President and Commissioner

Commissioner

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ATTEST:

Clerk and Commissioner