PARK BOARD MINUTES

Regular Meeting Wednesday
02/15/2017
5:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kent Ross called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

2. ROLL CALL & APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Present: Chair Ross, Linda Goddard, Lou Murkowski, Beverly Webber

Absent: Nate Styron, Monica Walvoord

Staff: Steve Peretti and Katie Bolam

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. December 21, 2016 – **MOTION TO APPROVE** (Linda/Beverly) – **Passed 4/0**
b. January 18, 2017 – **MOTION TO APPROVE** (Lou/Linda) – **Passed 4/0**

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. EMAILS RECEIVED

6. STATE OF THE PARKS REPORT

Superintendent Peretti gave a brief report on the ongoing maintenance of the park system:

- The recent extreme weather event
- Lower Milton Ballfield ecology involvement
- Emerald Street bioswale
- Homeless campsites clean-up
- Installation of rock with trail marker plaque is complete

7. SKATE PARK EVENT UPDATE

MOTION TO APPROVE (Beverly/Lou) up to $350 to be utilized for Go Skate. **Passed 4/0.**

Skate Park Event advertisement ideas:

- Flyers (Katie)
- Reader Board during Spring Break (Fife=week of April 3; Puyallup=week of April 9)
- Banner/signage
- Police involvement
- Fire department involvement
- Inform Fife and Edgewood (Beverly and Kent)
- Announce to local schools

8. WEST MILTON FIELD UPDATE

Nate not present to report on FME.
Steve spoke to engineering challenges during his earlier report.
The Board considered its readiness to make a recommendation to Council.

MOTION TO RECOMMEND to City Council that the West Milton Field be maintained as one ball park with fill and fencing to make it a good, playable park, with consideration given that the back-side be eventually developed as a dog park – **Passed 4/0**.

9. WTC MEMORIAL

Kent referred to the past action by the Board, where they approved the location in the Milton Community Park, and that it would be a place of quiet consideration.

Lou – vision of cutting piece in two and design to mirror the "twin towers", two or three feet apart, including educational plaques – pathway around

Invitation to Heather and Cathy Popp to speak at the table for the benefit of a microphone:

- Heather noted that the earlier votes by the Board (Feb, 2016 minutes) are questionable due to a lack of quorum. This was shown by the Clerk to be true.

MOTION (Lou/Beverly) to recommend to City Council that the memorial be somber and reflective with an educational purpose for our community. **Passed 4/0**.

MOTION (Lou/Linda) to recommend to City Council that the preferred location for the 9-11 Memorial be Milton Community Park**. Passed 3/1** (Beverly)

Superintendent Peretti answered that "Next steps" would include a recommendation for the design, suggesting that safety be a top consideration.

10. MEMBER COMMENTS

Members exclaimed appreciation for the work accomplished at this meeting.

11. ADJOURN – 6:43 pm – Next meeting is March 15, and it will run until 7:00 pm (90 minutes) to allow time for 9-11 Memorial design brainstorming.

Approved at the meeting of _____, 20_____.

Kent Ross
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Chair Kent Ross