

City of Renton

Board of Park Commissioners



Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2015

4:30 p.m. – City Hall – 7th Floor Conferencing Center

I. CALL TO ORDER

In Attendance

The following members were present:

Members: Cynthia Burns, Al Dieckman, Troy Wigestrang, Mike O'Donin,
Marlene Winter

Staff: Terry Higashiyama, Sandy Pilat, Leslie Betlach, Kelly Beymer,
Kris Stimpson

Chair, Cynthia Burns, called the February 10, 2015, meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Roll call was taken; Tim Searing and Larry Reymann were not present. Their absence was excused.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mike O'Donin made a motion, seconded by Al Dieckman to approve the agenda as presented. All were in favor, motion carried, the February 10, 2015, agenda was approved.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Marlene Winter and seconded by Mike O'Donin to approve the January 2015 minutes as written, all were in favor, motion carried. The minutes were approved as submitted.

IV. BOARD COMMUNICATION

City Center Plan—Mike O'Donin

There has not been a recent City Center Plan meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for March 5.

include the Black River, VMAC, Boeing plant tour, Cedar River Water Shed tour. Also off the grid areas including Cedar River soft surface trail, Ron Regis flood plain and the back side of golf course. On-going educational opportunities with WRPA, employee recognition functions, volunteer opportunity, library information sharing, and the airport training center. Terry said we may be able to hold one of our meetings at the newly remodeled Fairwood Library. Also updates on the boathouse and sailing program, trails and bicycle plans and Lake Washington Blvd. Trail, legislative updates, and code enforcement.

Youth Member Recruitment

With the resignation of Sojin as our former youth member we need to solicit a replacement. Marlene took the initiative to address a letter to two high schools asking them for any suggestions and to make the vacancy known among eligible students. Terry also mentioned there is an opening on the Library Board.

Growing Tree

The growing tree at the community center is having two boulders engraved that will be put in place in the near future. There was discussion about the recent drowning at Coulon Park and the garbage problem at Ivar's. Terry also stated the library would be opening in August ahead of schedule.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

Dobson Submittal

A copy of paperwork Karen Dobson submitted and had addressed to the Park Board was distributed as requested.

IX. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Terry indicated the staff was conducting interviews for a lead position internally for park maintenance. Dave Peterson Senior, maintenance division, is planning on retiring. She invited everyone to the employee recognition luncheon on Friday. Kelly discussed the seasonal trail closure due to water over the walkway and the difficulty and associated labor costs trying to keep it open.