

Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District

October 8, 2019 6:00 p.m. District Office

MINUTES RETREAT MEETING

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

President Overmyer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present at roll call were Commissioners Kasnick, Young, and Dusenbury; District Clerk Linda Ray, and District General Manager Deschenes.

Commissioner Achziger arrived at 6:08 p.m. and Des Moines resident Tricia Croom arrived at 6:10 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Commissioner Kasnick led the flag salute.

ADOPTION/MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA -- None

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

BUSINESS

a. Mission & Values

To refresh the Board, President Overmyer read the District's Mission and Values statement that was previously adopted by the Board and stated that this statement may provide direction to the future of the Mt. Rainier Pool.

Commissioner Achziger addressed the Board and handed out copies of a USA Swimming mission statement for consideration as a replacement for the District's current Mission and Values. He stated that the Board should commit to inclusion by amending the current by-law and replacing the first 3 sentences. The District's current mission statement would then become a vision statement.

President Overmyer declared the document as a first-touch item and asked the Board to review and will be included in the October 15th Regular Meeting packet.

b. Aquatic Feasibility Study

President Overmyer proposed two questions for Board consideration those being what is the long range picture for the Mt. Rainier Pool and for the District. After giving the Board members a brief recap on the purpose of the Aquatic Feasibility Study which was done in 2017, she stated that the Board now needed to decide on a future location for the facility.

A discussion ensued regarding two available properties identified as the Steven J Underwood Park, and Des Moines Elementary School as well as the current location of the Mt. Rainier Pool and options from the community that were brought to the table during the study's public meetings. The general consensus is to stay at the current location for

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at least 5 years and develop a maintenance plan based on the age of some major equipment that could potentially be at the end of useful life.

Commissioner Achziger stated that a larger facility could be envisioned on the present site by using both the land owned by the school district (ball fields) and the residential properties adjacent to Mt. Rainier Pool. The District General Manager asked if he was suggesting eminent domain.

It was agreed that re-negotiating the contract with Highline School District and further discussions with them would be the determining factor in staying at the present location.

Commissioner Dusenbury added that the Board needs to decide how long the District is willing to operate Mt. Rainier Pool before opening up discussions with HSD.

Commissioner Achziger believes the District should leave decision making to HSD based on their need for swimming programs before the District can determine to stay in the present location or find a new one.

It was decided that the pool staff should weigh in on what they envision a new facility should look like and then schedule a meeting with the Highline School District board.

c. Closure and Retainage

DGM Deschenes reported he had not yet heard from Doug DuCharme of BLRB, the architects of the 2017 pool renovation project. A message was drafted and sent via email to Mike Werlech Construction addressing the workmanship issues. A response was received and forwarded to our legal counsel.

At the present time, the issues with the seal are not causing any affect to operations. There is no water leakage and the pool staff is monitoring regularly.

d. Highline School District Lease

President Overmyer moved this item to the end of the meeting under Executive Session.

e. Swim Lesson Capacity

District General Manager Deschenes was asked by the Board at previous meeting to determine what is the current capacity for swim lessons at the pool. He stated that the goal is to have a balanced schedule for all users. A copy of the current schedule is on file. The Aquatic Manager will deliver more detail on current capacity in his quarterly report on November 5th.

f. 2020 Budget/Levy

DGM Deschenes reviewed changes that were requested at the September 17th meeting to the draft budget. This is a work in progress and will be finalized after the November 19th Public Meeting.

The DGM also reviewed the current 5-year Capital Improvement Plan which is on file.

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An Executive Session was called at 7:35 in accordance with RCW42.30.110(1) (d) to review negotiations on the performance of publicly bid contract. The session will last approximately 15 minutes.

The Executive Session ended at 7:46 p.m. and the meeting reconvened.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Commissioner Young stated that he would not be able to attend the meeting on October 15 and would be unavailable to call in.

President Overmyer asked for the District Clerk to strike the November 1st meeting from the Business Calendar. The Special Meeting on November 5th will be held as scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

UPCOMING MEETINGS -

- October 15,2019, Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m., District Office
- November 5, 2019, Special Meeting, 6:00 p.m., District Office
- November 19, 2019, Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m. District Office

Respectfully submitted by Linda Ray, District Clerk

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