

# **Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District**

August 20, 2019 6:00 p.m. District Office

# MINUTES REGULAR MEETING

## CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

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

Commissioner Achziger arrived after roll call at 6:03 p.m. Commissioner Young joined the meeting at 6:10 p.m. during the August Closure report.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Commissioner Kasnick led the flag salute.

ADOPTION/MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA - None

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS - None

## PUBLIC COMMENT -- None

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Dusenbury moved to approve the Consent Agenda including the vouchers and electronic transfer requests processed in July 2019 totaling \$77,048.68. Commissioner Kasnick 2<sup>nd</sup>. With no further discussion, the motion passed 4-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## a. August Closure

District General Manager Deschenes reported the new scoreboard would arrive at the pool by the end of the week and the installation will be supervised by Colorado Timing Systems.

During the maintenance closure, many of the pool staff participated in cleaning decks and other areas of the pool including the Connex storage container. High dusting and duct cleaning were performed by an outside vendor. Puget Sound Energy installed new lights and ballasts in the lobby. The office space was reorganized in order to accommodate both the Aquatic Manager and the Aquatic Coordinator in the same room. The heat exchanger motor was replaced by our HVAC vendor and parking lot lines were repainted.

Commissioner Achziger noted that Facebook reported school banners had been hung; however, his understanding was that they would be revealed individually during PTSA events during the school year.

The DGM stated that OSHA regulations prohibit minors to use a ladder and use of a ladder on the wet deck surface. Since a lift was available during the closure, all banners were put in place on the pegboards.

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A discussion ensued regarding the intent of the banners and the need to schedule PTSA events once a month in order to welcome each of the 18 schools.

President Overmyer stated that hanging the banners one by one with the use of a lift is not only costly, but timeconsuming and although Commissioner Achziger's original idea for the banners is sound, she did not feel that students using the pool would see the benefit of a banner reveal. Instead their interest would be focused on using the pool.

Commissioner Achziger maintains that PTSA events are a driving force that will introduce individuals to the pool and therefore increase revenue.

The subject of whether or not PTSA Nights had been subsidized or a charge event in the past was introduced. The DGM asked Commissioner Achziger about fees charged from a past discussion. Commissioner Achziger stated that a charge for lifeguards had been levied in the past. President Overmyer stated that staff time is also involved at a cost in putting up the banners and taking them down. She then entertained for a motion.

Commissioner Achziger moved that we host events for the unveiling for each school for which we have banners and invite PTSAs to host a PTSA Night at the cost of the guards. NOTE: Cost of the guards is approximately \$360 per event. Commissioner Dusenbury 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion with an addition. Commissioner Dusenbury suggested that we subsidize part of the rate on the guards, and limit to nine events a year.

In discussion, President Overmyer asked the Board to consider the subsidy that Normandy Park pays to us annually for use of the pool and how much we already subsidize events offered to residents outside of Des Moines. We have 18 banners and some of those schools are not in our city. She wonders how voters would feel about the District making sure we subsidize everyone else as well.

With no further discussion, the motion carried 4-1.

## b. Silver & Fit

DGM Deschenes reported that there is one section on the Silver & Fit contract that is still being reviewed by legal counsel regarding responsibility for insurance costs if we suddenly close down. He will report to the Board as soon as the review is completed.

The DGM also heard from Silver Sneakers and they are showing interest in programs for the Mt. Rainier Pool. There is a possibility that we may have the ability to use both programs. He should receive their draft contract in the near future.

### c. Swim Team Contract

DGM Deschenes reported that SMAC will be using practice times Monday through Friday, 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. and using five lanes which leaves a lane open for lap swimmers on Sundays and swim lessons. They also have Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. for 3 lanes which leaves the rest of the lanes open. On Saturdays using 6 lanes from 7:00 a.m. to 9 a.m. Their schedule for the fall encourages people from Kent to use Mt. Rainier Pool. This is only the current plan starting the week of September 3<sup>rd</sup>. The school district swim team will start practice

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on August 26 which was moved back from August 19<sup>th</sup> due to a new WIAA (Washington Interscholastic Activities Association) regulation.

## d. Policies and Procedures

Policies 310, 315, and 350 were provided to the Board members who were asked to review and comment on all by August 13<sup>th</sup>. Comments were received from President Overmyer and hers were integrated into the documents. The DGM noted that the rules contained in 350—Facility Rules are in keeping with those published by WAC (Washington Administrative Code) for aquatic facilities. Our rules are also similar in context to those of Tukwila and William Shore pools.

President Overmyer called for a motion to approve the policies. Commissioner Young moved to approve the new policies as amended; Commissioner Kasnick 2<sup>nd</sup>.

In discussion, Commissioner Achziger inquired about the number of individuals allowed on the Wibit during the events and how many guards are present. The DGM responded that the capacity is 12, however the pool staff feels it is a safety issue to have more than one individual per section at a time. The DGM added that the pool normally has two guards in the deep end for open swims and two additional staff for safety when using the Wibit to ensure the unit can be seen from all sides. The diving board is not open when the Wibit is in the pool.

With no further discussion, the motion passed 5-0.

### e. Aquatic Feasibility Study

President Overmyer stated that there is still some long-term planning to do with regard to the feasibility study. With the next retreat/study session on October 1<sup>st</sup>, she encouraged the Board to consider putting this discussion on the agenda. On the agenda for the September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting, she would like to review the draft Employee Handbook. A copy will be sent out prior to the meeting.

The President asked the District General Manager to send the public presentations given by BRS to the Board members prior to the meeting on 10/1 for review.

#### GENERAL DISCUSSION

The District General Manager stated that an HCA (Asset Management) audit for WCIA Insurance is scheduled for Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. The HCA Audit is to estimate the assessed value of the Mt Rainier Pool for insurance purposes

President Overmyer met with Jeri Frangello-Anderson a Commissioner on the Board of the Tukwila pool. They are looking at bids to resurface their pool. President Overmyer told them that Anderson Pool Works did the relining at Mt. Rainier Pool. They discussed the bonding issue. Tukwila would like to partner with us and with our legal counsel in resolving that issue.

Commissioner Young will be travelling from September 17<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup>. He will call into the meeting on 9/17.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 pm.

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### UPCOMING MEETINGS -

- September 17, 2019, Regular Meeting , 6:00 p.m., District Office
- October 1, 2019, Retreat Meeting, 6:00 p.m., District Office

Respectfully submitted by Linda Ray, District Clerk

Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District Board of Commissioners

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Commissioner Dusenbury

Commissioner Kasnick

Commissioner Achziger

Commissioner Young Linda Ray, District Clerk

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