



Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District

February 6, 2025

7 p.m.

Hybrid (DMPMPD District Office and Remote Online)

MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

President Young called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Also, present were Commissioners Dusenbury, Campbell; and District General Manager (GM) Deschenes; District Clerk Melum; and Legal Counsel, Brian Snure. Commissioner Stender logged in at 7:04 p.m. Commissioner Thorell was not present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Commissioner Dusenbury led the flag salute.

ADOPTION/MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA Commissioner Campbell moved to approve the agenda as modified. Commissioner Dusenbury 2nd. Motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Stender entered the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS – The District General manager announced the phones are down due to weather-related issues until Friday, February 7. He also mentioned that he met with the Des Moines City Manager and the information would be included in the weekly report. He also mentioned that Highline School District's leadership team requested a pause on the partnership for the grants, so he is working directly with King County Parks, as the grants are time sensitive. Finally, he discussed the SAO audit team wanted to schedule their entrance exam with the board for next week, and presented times. President Young mentioned the State Auditor's Office likes to have a majority of the board to list findings. After discussion, a time was set for Friday, February 14 at 1pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

BUSINESS

6. DISCUSSION OF REAL ESTATE

Brian Snure, Legal Counsel briefed the board on what can and cannot be discussed before going into executive session on real estate. The discussion was regarding property off of 216th that was offered to the City of Des Moines from the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). The board elected to stay in open session, after Legal Counsel's recommendation since the conversation would not affect the price of the property.

President Young mentioned the City of Des Moines elected not to purchase the land at their study session on January 30, 2025. He asked Legal Counsel Snure the next steps that the pool district should take, if it were interested in purchasing the property. Legal Counsel Snure recommended having the District General Manager

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reach out to the WSDOT to get more information including the purchasing process and if WSDOT would be willing to negotiate.

President Young also questioned if the pool district could act quickly enough to make an offer on the land, or be bond eligible to support the purchase. He also mentioned the FCS Group's Tax Levy Analysis that detailed the pool district would probably need a Levy Lid Lift to afford a purchase of the property listed at \$5.35 million. He felt there were steps that needed to be taken before examining a purchase of land. Commissioner Campbell mentioned that she appreciates the situation as it help the pool district ascertain the value of a potential future pool site. Commissioner Stender added that the pool district needs to develop an outlined process for bonding and purchasing land in the future for other oppoertunities. Commissioner Dusenbury added that the pool district does not have enough data to show if the property is suitable for a pool, and the site would need a conditions study which there may not be enough time to meet WSDOT's timeline. Legal Counsel Snure recommended reaching out to WSDOT to find out the timeline, the process, and more information on the property.

President Young mentioned the pool district will need a couple of years to build up its reserves and a potential levy lid lift to be bond eligible. He mentioned that this process can help the pool district develop funds needed for a future levy lid lift, which would need to go to the taxpayers. He confirmed it would be good to discuss with WSDOT to help gather information to present to the public that our estimated costs are based on research, thus supporting the request for a levy lid lift.

Commissioner Stender stated the board needs to develop a direction before acquiring new land or starting an advisory committee. He mentioned that this should be a priority before moving forward.

President Young directed the District General Manager to reach out to WSDOT about their timeline and process. He also mentioned about having a discussion at a future meeting about discussing the next steps. He also reiterated the importance of building up the reserves to help give the pool district options.

7. Good of the Order

President Young mentioned the next two board meetings, which are February 14 at 1:00 p.m. and February 25 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:27pm.

UPCOMING MEETING(S)

- February 14, 2025, SAO Accountability Audit, Entrance Meeting, 1:00pm, Location: Hybrid (DMPMPD Offices and Online)
- February 25, 2025, Regular Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Location: Hybrid (DMPMPD Offices and Online)

Respectfully submitted by Scott Deschenes, District General Manager.

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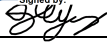
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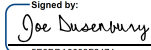
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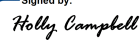
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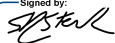
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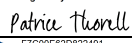
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