



Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District

May 20, 2025

7:00 p.m.

Hybrid (DMPMPD District Office and Remote Online)

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

President Young called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Also, present were Commissioners Campbell, Stender and Achziger; Aquatics Manager, Knox and District General Manager (GM) Deschenes. Commissioner Dusenbury was not present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Commissioner Campbell led the flag salute.

ADOPTION/MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA – There were no modifications to the agenda as this was a special meeting. Commissioner Stender moved to accept the agenda. Commissioner Thorell 2nd. The motion passed 4-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS – District GM Deschenes announced that AWC-RMSA sent a new application for the district to complete, and the application is due by June 1, 2025. The District GM also announced that SAO is ready to perform the exit interview, and scheduling would be part of the May 27 board meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT – District GM Deschenes notified the board that Gene Achziger notified him that he would be late for the meeting. The board elected to allow Mr. Achziger the opportunity to participate in public comment when he arrived to the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION BUSINESS

6. Executive Session, HSD Lease

At 7:07pm, the Board President announced the board would go into an executive session to evaluate the performance of a public employee subject to RCW 42.30.140(4). The board went into executive session until 7:22pm for approximately 15 minutes.

At 7:22pm, after the executive session was completed there was no action taken by the board.

7. Strategic Planning Discussion

District GM Deschenes presented planning and discussion on strategic planning for the future of the Mount Rainier Pool.

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Commissioner Stender mentioned the importance of the MRHS record board event and the importance of getting it completed before the end of the year. Commissioner Thorell suggested having the event videotaped.

It was also discussed about the importance of the 50th anniversary event to push informing the public of the aging of the pool and educating the public about the future planning of the pool.

President Young stated that this was the information that the board needed, and there was good information to move forward.

Commissioner Thorell stated that it is important to get the Mount Rainier High School District's swim teams involved.

District GM Deschenes mentioned the stakeholder homework that was included in the packet. The board gave recommendations for potential stakeholders. Commissioner Stender suggested District GM Deschenes put together a list including potential future partners, and the board could add to the homework, and also mentioned reaching out to SplashForward in Bellevue about providing information for the project.

A copy of the presentation is included in the May 20 agenda packet.

8. Joint Meeting with Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District

District GM Deschenes suggested having the joint meeting with Tukwila in late August or September. He mentioned that he would reach out and get something scheduled.

9. Good of the Order

Resident, Gene Achziger, requested one of the board to come out to the Bayside Ball to discuss the importance of the Mount Rainier Pool. He mentioned they were looking for someone who the pool meant a lot to them.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:48pm.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- May 27, 2025, Regular Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Location: Hybrid (DMPMPD Offices and Online)
- Special Meeting (To Be Determined)

Respectfully submitted by Scott Deschenes, District General Manager.

Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District Board of Commissioners

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