

**PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2005**

**SKAGIT COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S HEARING ROOM**

**1800 CONTINENTAL PLACE**

**MOUNT VERNON, WA 98273**

**5:30 P.M.**

8:15 – 8:20

**Roll Call of General Meeting**

**Present**

Lloyd Brown, Vice Chair

Keith Magee

John Semrau

Jeri Krampetz

**Absent**

Colleen Fisher, Chairman

Liz McNett Crowl

Kevin Loy

Peter Swanson

Nathan Salseina

**Staff**

Bob Vaux

Dennis Lind

Tawni Helms

5:30 – 5:35

**November Minutes** – Without a quorum the minutes were not able to be reviewed and/or approved.

5:35 – 5:40

**Public Comment Period** – Ron Carlson's statement was read and reviewed by the Board.

5:40 – 6:10

**Staff Reports:**

Bob updated the board on the ongoing budget worksessions. Tawni also reported that Best SELF has had some winning moments with two of the three commissioner's publicly supporting the program and stating that they want to keep it in the budget. This has been an ongoing effort in the department to attend all worksessions and to respond to questions and concerns regarding the Best SELF budget. It is anticipated that the 06 budget will be approved with exception to the \$50,000 in reserves that were not expended.

Bob reported that the legislative meetings have been going very well. Seven out of nine legislators have met with the CREC members. Bob and Dennis also met with Hans Dunshee, the Chair for the Capital Budget. This was also a positive experience as Hans walked the property and showed support for the project. Additionally, Hans concluded

that the CREC committee and SCPR are on the right track and doing exactly what needs to be done to get the word to the legislature for future funding of the project.

The holiday potluck will be hosted every other year for alumni and PRAB members. It was decided that an annual event is too ambitious for gathering the entire group. It would likely be better attended and more appreciated if we change to every other year. The next holiday gathering for alumni and PRAB members will be December 06.

6:10 – 6:15

**Parks Foundation:**

Keith reported on the recent activity at the last Parks Foundation Board meeting. The volunteer projects are going fabulously and the list of future projects are out for review by the SCPR department. The Foundation website is current and includes all recent activity. Keith stressed the importance to give the Foundation more visibility for their role in fundraising. It's a great vehicle to help with our CREC efforts.

6:15 – 6:25

**Board Nominations:**

Board nominations were discussed and both Colleen Fisher and Lloyd Brown were nominated to retain their posts throughout 2006. This will be voted on at our January meeting.

**Adjourn – The meeting adjourned at 5:30**

**Next Meeting 5:30 p.m. December 15, 2005 in the Skagit County Commissioner's Hearing Rm.**