

Skagit County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

**DRAFT MINUTES**

Thursday, October 15, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.  
Continental Place  
Mount Vernon, WA

**P.R.A.B. Members Present:**

District 1  
Liz McNett Crowl  
Mike Elde

District 2  
Peter Swanson  
John Semrau

District 3

**P.R.A.B. Members Absent:**

District 1  
Colleen Fisher

District 2  
Lloyd Brown

District 3  
Kevin Loy

**Others Present:**

Brian Adams, SCPR Director

**Roll Call of General Meeting:**

7:07 p.m. Mike Elde, 2009 Chair called the meeting to order.

October 15, 2009 Agenda was approved as presented.

Mike Elde shared with the group that Jeri Krampetz had resigned her position.

It was determined that with Jeri's resignation, four members made a quorum. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes and they were approved as submitted.

**Public Comment Period:**

There was no public in attendance.

**Board Discussion:**

- BOCC Park Tour - 2nd week of February 2010 was discussed as the possible tour date
- Retreat - 1st week in March 2010 was discussed as target date. It will be important to attempt to fill these open board positions prior to this retreat and the tour.
- Dillon Memorial - it was suggested to place a plaque at the Northern State Picnic Shelter and include dedication of this plaque during the Tour.
- PRAB Vacancies - List of terms for the current Board was distributed by Brian. It was suggested to have the County and Foundation to advertise on their web sites that there are vacancies on the board. Brian Adams and John Semrau had met with Lynn Torset for coffee last week. Lynn was interested; however, he is president of a group which meets on the same evening each month.

- Fair Update - Brian described the latest layoffs and shared there would be new focus for the fair event next year. All events will need to cover their own cost and some events may not continue because of the cost of heating the facilities. Maintenance is still an ongoing issue with some of the facilities. There is still a lot of work to be done and many questions to be answered.

### **Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Plan:**

- Brian handed out copies of the Comp Plan to those members that needed a new copy. Brian also asked the PRAB to review Chapter 1 before the next meeting. Board decided instead to review both Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 for discussion at the next meeting.

### **Capital Facilities Plan for 2010 Budget**

- Brian distributed a summary comparison of the 2009 and 2010 budgets.

### **Projects**

- Tennis Courts\Restroom Update - Brian said he was working on the interlocal agreement with the College for use of the new covered courts. Liz expressed concern that she was aware that a private group was going to start using the facility for paid lessons. Parks Board consensus was that public access to the facility was important and should be guarded by Brian in formulating the interposal agreement. John suggested Brian consider having a fee paid to Skagit Parks and Recreation whenever groups outside the college reserve the facility. Brian will circulate the agreement for comment by the PRAB.
- Cascade Trail - Brian discussed the Wiseman Creek Bridge repair project. Pictures had been emailed to board on Oct 15.
- Memorial Field Renovations – The interlocal agreement for the playfields will need to be amended to show a renewed sunset date. Once we have the amended contract we schedule the drainage work for summer of '10.
- Centennial Trail - there was a brief discussion that Snohomish Co had permitted construction up to the County line. It was agreed that the time was appropriate for the Board and Foundation to review the Skagit portion of the trail and properties in this vicinity. There is not new date for the field visit to this area.

### **Staff Reports:**

- A recreation division staff report from Tony Tewalt was submitted.

### **Next Meeting**

November 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

### **Adjourn**

8:45 p.m.