

**South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District
November 14, 2018 – Board Workshop Minutes - DRAFT**

Board Workshop Minutes

I. Call to Order

Commissioners Present: Mark Helpenstell, Dennis Hunter and Matt Simms

Staff Present: Doug Coutts, Tom Fallon, Carrie Monforte and Peggy Nelson

Dennis called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

II. 2019 Budget Workshop

Doug stated that Washington State is instituting a Paid Family and Medical Leave Program Tax on employees beginning January 1, 2019, and he asked commissioners to approve payment by the District for the tax, which equals \$1,017 per year for all employees. Matt, Mark and Dennis all agreed the District should pay the tax for employees.

Doug said the School District has excluded the former Middle School from the inter-local agreement between the School District and the Park District. Doug said the increased cost for use of the Middle School facility to the Park District because of this change would be \$5,150 for 2019 and higher in years 2020+. Matt said he was okay with absorbing the cost in 2019 and he would rather not recoup the cost from participants but would rather recoup the cost from the School District by charging a fee for field use. Mark said he was okay with recouping the cost from the School District but was hesitant about absorbing the cost into the budget. Dennis said he did not want to charge the participants a higher cost but thought the Park District should inform participants about the facility fee. Doug said he would contact the reporter to see if she could attend the next meeting when the budget and facility fee is discussed. Matt said the commissioners should specifically mention the last minute adjustment to the budget due to the facility fee being implemented by the School District and that the Park District is taking a hit to the budget, but is requesting discussion with the School District, hoping they will reconsider the adjustment to the inter-local agreement.

III. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.