

South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District
April 20, 2022 – Regular Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

Regular Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

Commissioners Present: Jennifer Cox, Jake Grevé, Erik Jokinen, Krista Loercher and Matt Simms (online).

Staff Present: Doug Coutts, Skye Dunn, and Carrie Monforte

Jennifer called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. The attendance sheet is attached for permanent records only.

II. Public Comment

John Bush expressed appreciation for the programs that SWPRD sponsors in the community, and for SWPRD's fidelity to the terms of the Trustland transfer documents.

III. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 16, 2022, were unanimously approved in a motion made by Erik Jokinen.

IV. Treasurer's Report/Voucher List Approval

A. Matt reviewed the treasurer's report with the commissioners.

B. Voucher list approval. The board and Doug discussed the February election costs.

In a motion made by Matt, the Board unanimously approved the Maintenance and Operations Fund Vouchers #11409 through #11456 in the amount of \$94,004.55, and electronic payments in the amount of \$8,168.84.

V. Staff Report (To be attached for permanent records)

Doug reviewed the Staff Report with the commissioners. Doug and the board discussed a request from the public for a dog park or dog run. Doug displayed a revised rendering and location for the turf field. Matt stated that user groups have had an opportunity to provide input on the turf field project and are supportive of it.

VI. Unfinished Business

A. Comprehensive Plan Programs

Doug reported that the static water level test had been performed. Doug reported that the Health Department is reviewing the Septic design for the Campground.

i. Grant Applications

Doug and the board discussed the workload associated with the multiple grant applications and projects.

Matt made a motion to approve

Resolution 2022-01 – "Project #22-1445 South Whidbey Pickleball Courts";

Resolution 2022-02 – "Project #22-1456 South Whidbey Pickleball Courts-YAF";

Resolution 2022-03 – "Project #22-1447 South Whidbey Outdoor Amphitheater";

Resolution 2022-04 – "Project #22-1448 South Whidbey Outdoor Amphitheater-LWCF";

Resolution 2022-05 – “Project #22-1449 South Whidbey Artificial Turf Field”;
Resolution 2022-06 – “Project #22-1451 South Whidbey Artificial Turf Field-YAF”; and
Resolution 2022-07 – “Project #22-1444 South Whidbey Aquatic Wellness Center-LWCF”,
and the motion was unanimously approved.

ii. Joint Pool Committee

Doug stated that, given the pending award of \$400,000 in the state budget for the pool project to be administered by the District, he had discussed establishing a Joint Pool Committee structure with the South Whidbey Parks & Aquatics Foundation. Matt reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding with the Foundation, and the Foundation’s role in fundraising and support of a bond campaign. Krista reported that the Foundation had voted to approve the structure of a joint committee.

Matt made a motion to establish a joint pool committee as designated in the MOU with the South Whidbey Parks & Aquatics Foundation, consisting of 2 Park Commissioners, 2 Foundation representatives and the District Director as the ex officio member, non-voting, and it was unanimously approved.

Matt reported that he renewed an application for federal Community Project Funding for for water system improvements and the septic system.

B. Trustland Trails – WTA Comments

Doug provided an update on feedback from WTA representatives regarding Trustland Trails.

Doug stated that he is waiting on site plan review for access for Maxwelton Trails. Jennifer reviewed the established priorities for trail development at Trustland Trails and Maxwelton Trails.

VII. New Business

A. Freeland Hall Opportunity

Doug stated that the District had been approached by Island County staff regarding the possibility of transferring Freeland Hall to the District. Doug reported that staff had visited the site. The board discussed the opportunities Freeland Hall could provide, the current financial and physical state of Freeland Hall, and directed staff to continue exploring the possibility.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.