



Meeting Minutes for the Parks, Recreation
and Cultural Services Board / Tree Board
Meeting

March 21, 2013
7:00 p.m.

Shoreline City Hall
Room 303

1. Call to Order/Attendance

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clements at 7:01 p.m.

Park Board Members Present: Katie Beth, Boni Biery, Jesse Sycuro, Carolyn Ballo, Kevin McAuliffe, Bill Clements

City Staff Present: Dick Deal, Director; Kirk Peterson, Parks Superintendent; Mary Reidy, Recreation Superintendent; Maureen Colaizzi, Parks Project Coordinator; Ros Bird, Public Art Coordinator; Lynn Peterson, Administrative Assistant III

- 2. Approval of Agenda:** Mr. Deal requested an amendment to the agenda moving Item 8 up to just before staff reports as the new item 5. Chairman Clements called for a motion to approve the agenda as modified. Ms. Ballo so moved; Mr. McAuliffe seconded. The motion carried.

- 3. Approval of Minutes:** Chairman Clements called for a motion to approve the February minutes as written. Ms. Beth so moved; Mr. Sycuro seconded. The motion carried.

- 4. Public Comment:** Suzanne Pardee of Shoreline spoke regarding Sunset Park property. She attended the March 16 public onsite meeting. Ms. Pardee asked the Board to consider emergency planning on parkland such as the installation of an artesian well in case the current water supply is interrupted during an emergency and solar panels for emergency electricity. She requested the planting of fruit trees and nut trees for both beauty and emergency food supply.

Mr. Deal introduced two visiting Shorecrest High School students who attended the meeting to satisfy requirements for a civics class.

5.a) Filming in Shoreline (previous Item 8, see agenda approval)

Dan Eernisse, City Economic Development Director, referred to the packet attachment in describing the City's vision for cooperating with the Shoreline Community College filming and acting department. Other area community college filming and acting programs have experienced decline or elimination leaving Shoreline Community College as one of the largest performing arts colleges in the area. Shoreline is strategically located to provide a solid venue for filming.

Parks are attractive venues for filming. Allowing this kind of development contributes to the City's commitment to "placemaking." The Board is asked to support this industry. Mr. Eernisse addressed the Board's questions and comments. The Board requested investigation into whether a portion of any revenue generated in this endeavor could return to fund the arts in Shoreline. The Board affirmed the idea of welcoming the filming industry into Shoreline Parks with staff approval.

5.b) Staff Reports

Kirk Peterson, Parks Maintenance Superintendent

- Boeing Creek Park has seen the vandalism of about 5 trees. The police have been notified. The City is addressing calls.
- Surface water is investigating dredging Hidden Lake to remove existing silt.
- Power washing and spring cleaning is underway in preparation for the sports season.

Mary Reidy, Recreation Superintendent

- Ms. Reidy explained the process the pool staff followed after the tragic loss of a prior employee that included grief counseling. A condolence book is at the front desk for the public to record thoughts that will be shared with the family.
- The spring/summer Recreation Guide is out and has a new look with a lot of new programs.
 - Shoreline Walks is underway and so far well-received
- Shoreline Eats4Health will be held on April 2nd. The keynote speaker is author Cynthia Lair.
- Celebrate Shoreline will feature food trucks, two different stages, a quiet area with story time and puppets, pony rides, and bouncy houses.
- There have been some staffing shifts: A new senior guard at the Shoreline Pool, Sandy Chastain, Administrative Assistant at Spartan, is retiring and this position will soon be filled, a new teen program assistant will be hired as well as numerous extra help summer staff.
- Our Specialized Recreation program has received \$25,000 in gift donations as the result of the sale of a group home.

Maureen Colaizzi, Parks Development

- Vegetation work has been completed at Echo Lake Park. The next phase is the design of Phase I improvements this summer.
- City Council has approved a five year lease agreement with DSHS for the Fircrest property as a new Off Leash Dog Area. Construction will begin in May.

6. **CleanScapes Art Project**

Ros Bird presented the design images for the approved garbage/recycling container enclosure at Richmond Beach Saltwater Park. Artistic steel enclosures encircle the galvanized steel trash cans which still allow ease of lid removal and access. The suggested location is on the beach near the west end of the bridge. Chairman Clements publicly thanked CleanScapes and citizen designer, Judy Allen for their work on the project. **Chairman Clements called for a motion to approve the design. Ms. Ballo moved and Ms. Biery seconded the motion. The motion carried with unanimous approval.**

7. Sunset School Park Update, Maureen Colaizzi

Over 50 people attended the onsite meeting on March 16 to discuss preferred improvements to Sunset School Park. Ms. Colaizzi reviewed the master plan and existing conditions. The community has been asked to comment on six possible amenities to help City staff prioritize improvements. Staff will be seeking approval from the Board to proceed with preferred projects at the April 25 meeting. Ms. Colaizzi fielded clarifying questions from the Board. The Park will be called "Sunset School Park" by mandate of the joint use agreement with the School District.

8. Richmond Beach Saltwater Park Play Equipment

Repair and Replacement funding is designated each year by the City Council for the care, maintenance and replacement of parks facilities. Play equipment at Richmond Beach Saltwater Park dates back to 1995. Mr. Peterson showed existing conditions and identified the new location for swings and new play equipment at RBSW Park. A schematic was projected and manually circulated for the Board to review. Board members requested the recycling of used play equipment for the new Off Leash Area. Cost, equipment components and color were reviewed. The Board affirmed the plans as presented.

Chairman Clements welcomed Councilmember McConnell's presence in the meeting.

9. Appointment of Public Art Subcommittee Members

Ros Bird explained the need for the reappointment of interim subcommittee members for the next two months until new PRCS Board members are appointed and oriented. Currently there are several active calls that will need review and approval in order to stay on schedule. The approval of Bill Clements and Carolyn Ballo to these interim positions will allow consistency during an active time. The question was raised by the Board about whether these could be permanent appointments rather than interim. Staff recommendation is that until the new Board is appointed this be on an interim basis. The possibility for permanence can be evaluated at a later date.

Chairman Clements spoke to the value of a historical perspective on a committee like this one. The current committee has matured in its ability to intelligently evaluate art, music, proposals and the budget over the years.

Chairman Clements called for the motion to approve the appointment of Bill Clements and Carolyn Ballo to the Art Committee as interim members. Mr. McAuliffe so moved and Mr. Sycuro seconded the motion. The motion passed with unanimous approval.

10. Farewell to Outgoing Parks Board Members

Mr. Deal invited outgoing Parks Board members, Chairman Clements and Board member Ballo (both 14-year Board members) to address the Board with any outgoing comments. Ms. Ballo and Mr. Clements each provided historical perspective on the City, shared memories, reflected on their experiences as members of the Board, and said farewell. Staff publicly thanked the two of them for their years of faithful service.

11. Adjourn

Hearing no further business Chairman Clements gave his last call for the motion to adjourn. Ms. Ballo so moved and Mr. McAuliffe seconded the motion. The meeting of the March 2013 PRCS/Tree Board adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Kevin McAuliffe 4/25/2013
Signature of Park Board Chair Date

Ann Peterson 5-9-13
Signature of Minute Writer Date