

TUKWILA METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT

June 25, 2015 6:30 p.m.
VALLEY VIEW SEWER DISTRICT CONFERENCE ROOM

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Board President Kruller called the Regular Meeting of the Tukwila Metropolitan Park District (MPD) to order at 6:37 p.m.

TUKWILA METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

Joe Duffie, Verna Seal, Allan Ekberg, Kathy Hougardy, De'Sean Quinn, Kate Kruller.

MOVED BY SEAL, SECONDED BY EKBERG TO EXCUSE QUINN, HOUGARDY AND DUFFIE. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

TUKWILA METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

Dave Perkins, Aquatics Manager, Kim McCoy Administrative Director, Brian Snure, Attorney.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED BY SEAL, SECONDED BY EKBERG TO CHANGE THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA AND HEAR THE FINANCIAL REPORT AS ITEM 5 A IN THE CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS (*Limited to 4 minutes*)

There were no citizen comments

Board President Kruller recognized Jon Mah, the newest member of the TPAC Committee, was in the audience tonight.

Commissioner Duffie joined the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Minutes: 4/30/2015
- b. Approval of Vouchers: 5-11-2015, 5-14-2015, 5-22-2015

MOVED BY SEAL, SECONDED BY DUFFIE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS WRITTEN. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

REPORTS

- a. Financial support Services

Alan Dance touched on some of the highlights of his report in the packet. He went over the monetary situation and accounts. On page 20, item 4, he pointed out the revenue from taxes has peaked. Payroll is the greatest expense, but it is within budget. The TPMPD owns the pool, but leases the land from the school district and this is an expense accounted for in the summary of expenses. Overall, the financial health of the pool is good.

b. Commissioner Report-

Commissioner Seal reported that pool is operating well and that she and her friends are once again enjoying the pool.

Board President Kruller along with Mr. Dance and Mr. McCoy attended the State Washington Audit Office's Entrance Conference for an audit that was underway with the pool. No audit had been done since the beginning of the Pool Park District, so the auditors wanted to go back four years. Alan Dance will be overseeing and is the point man for audits from here forward.

c. Executive Committee Meeting-

Commissioners Duffie and Ekberg attended the meeting where regulation and policies were discussed.

d. Administrative Director-

Mr. McCoy reported that the pump has been repaired and the air ducts cleaned which has helped the HVAC. The fire alarm is in the queue, should be up and working within 30 days. Also, he is looking at more sound abatement at the pool to quiet the noise. The lighting at the pool is aging and will need replacing. He is looking at Seattle City Light's rebate programs to see if there are some good deals for replacement. He also attended several classes throughout the month on records management.

Mr. McCoy also met with WICA for the Human Resource Audit. Staff is receiving training on how to use Rec1.

e. Aquatics Manager-

Mr. Perkins reported that things are going well. There are 140 children registered for swim lessons and he is hopeful for additional sign ups as the summer goes on. More staff is being hired as needed. He is working on the fall preview for insertion in the Park and Recreation Guide. Also, he is looking into selling items, i.e., beverages and snacks, at the pool. The School District will be doing the mowing and edging of the lawn at no charge to the pool. Mr. Perkins is assisting with research on noise abatement.

f. Tukwila Pool Advisory Committee (TPAC):

- Agenda and minutes
- Chairperson report-

Sheri Barr, Co-Chair of TPAC reported that the last meeting was a working meeting. The Pirates of the Pool event was very successful, as was the Dive On event. The next event is July 18th, Cardboard Boat Building and more volunteers are needed.

BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. A motion of the Board of Commissioners of the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District adopting General Operating Policies.

TPMPD 312 - Facility Use Rental TPMPD Form Rental Application
TPMPD 330 - Non-Discrimination
TPMPD 335 - Head Injury, Concussions and Sudden Cardiac Arrest
TPMPD 350 - Facility Use Rules
TPMPD 355 - Sex Offenders

**MOVED BY SEAL, SECONDED BY DUFFIE TO APPROVE THE GENERAL OPERATING POLICIES.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

b. Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District Governance Change

1. Resolution Concerning Governance Change
2. Ballot Issue Explanatory Statement
3. Pro/Con Statements Advertisement
4. King County Elections Cost Estimates for Nov. 2015 and Feb. 2016

The Board agrees that the vote should be put on the ballot in November. The explanatory statement for the ballot is limited to 250 words.

Mr. Snure encouraged advertising the openings for the Pro and Con Committees in the newspaper, through the website, at the pool or any other means of attracting the public to volunteer their time in this effort.

Commissioner Seal read into the record Commissioner Quinn's statement on the Change of Governance:

"I am sorry I am unable to attend tonight's meeting to provide my input on this very important decision that is before us. Before us is discussion and consideration of a resolution to place a proposition on the November ballot to authorize a change of governance of the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District. In 2011, the City Council was faced with making budget decisions that impacted the operations of the Tukwila Pool, we were 2 years into a down economy and this was one of the significant decisions before us. I had only been on the City Council for three years when the recommendation was brought before us to close the pool. However, as one council member, I have worked with Metropolitan Parks Districts in the region in the past in my work for King County and I knew that other jurisdictions preserved forward thrust pools in the past by forming a Metropolitan Park District and I thought we, as a council, had more options than to simply close the pool. Forming a Park District made sense as a viable option. Key members of the community stepped up to work very hard to inform the voters that the pool is a great community asset.

I thank them unequivocally for that work. I also thank the voters who successfully passed the measure as they are the ultimate decision makers. Exercising democracy by the willingness to evaluate both sides of the issue and making a decision based on the information available. Today's deliberation offers that same opportunity for the voters and it is why I support passing this resolution. I know my commitment to the success of the pool and the value of always focusing on ensuring the pool remains community pool. I understand the responsibility and am prepared to continue to serve in our current capacity. However, I understand my responsibility also includes placing this before the voters of the City of Tukwila 4 years after the original formation to allow the community to express its choice." De'Sean Quinn

Board President Kruller read into the record Commissioner Hougardy's letter on the Change of Governance:

"Fellow Commissioners,

I am writing to express support regarding the change of governance for the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District from City Council Members serving in an ex officio capacity, to an elected board of five commissioners. I am also in support of both the change of governance and the election of officers to be on the November 2015 ballot. If I were able to be at the TPMPD meeting on Thursday, June 25th, I would vote 'yes' for both items. Please read my comments into the minutes at the meeting this week. Sincerely, Kathy Hougardy, TPMPD Board Member"

Commissioner Seal is in favor of the change, but would like to ensure the gender only swims continue.

Commissioner Duffie feels this change is a good idea, but hopes citizens will get behind the pool and serve it well.

Commissioner Ekberg stated “that as a Metropolitan Park District Board Member when the issue of governance came before us from the very beginning, I considered it a noble cause to pursue in order to fulfill one of the strategic objectives of the City of Tukwila and to empower our citizens. That being said, I recognized it from the beginning, before the Metropolitan Park District, citizens were engaged in bringing the vote occur [sic] that got the Metropolitan Park District enabled and started. I consider that democracy in action. What we’re taking tonight is another step towards democracy in action in establishing an independent governing body for the Metropolitan Park District. I too have spoken here this evening and have written notes and have championed this pool remaining a community pool. It serves the citizens of Tukwila first and citizens who visit Tukwila second, in my thinking and I think that’s what we’re doing at this point in time. With that comment, I would like to say that I support the change in governance and I would vote in favor of this motion.”

Board President Kruller said that she is a supporter of the pool and it gives her joy to have the pool for all citizens. Citizen involvement has been great all along and it is common sense to move to a self-managed pool by the citizens. She is in support of this ballot.

MOVED BY SEAL, SECONDED BY DUFFIE TO HAVE RESOLUTION 2015-8 READ BY TITLE ONLY. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF TUKWILA POOL METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT ON NOVEMBER 3, 2015, OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE IN THE COMPOSITIONS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, CALLING FOR A SPECIAL FILING PERIOD AND CREATING FIVE COMMISSIONER POSITIONS.

MOVED BY DUFFIE, SECONDED BY SEAL TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AS READ. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

MOVED BY SEAL, SECONDED BY EKBERG TO APPROVE THE BALLOT ISSUE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOUND IN THE PACKET. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

Commissioner Ekberg stated that in the last line of the statement it reads “that if approved by voters, it goes on through November 2015 election” and end the sentence there to avoid being redundant.

The Board agreed to a change in the statement to read “that is approved by voters it goes on through November 2015.” The Tukwila City Council Members would be replaced by this independent governing board.

Proposition 1 in the packet for the election needs a contact person and Board President Kruller volunteered to be that contact and her phone number is 206-853-9330.

Commissioner Seal volunteered to be the contact for citizens who choose to be on the Pro or Con Statement Committees with the date of July 17th as the deadline to apply. She will provide her email and phone number.

Mr. McCoy will handle the advertising of the openings of the Pro and Con Committees for the ballot notices. He will put notices on the website, at the pool and in the paper.

- c. For informational purposes:
 - (1) Travelers EnergyMax 21 Equipment Insurance

Mr. McCoy said the insurance is self explanatory with the information in the packet. He will see that the entity name it contains is spelled correctly to read Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District.

d. Marketing for July Special Event

(1) July Cardboard Duct Tape Races

e. Next TPMPD Executive Committee meeting is Thursday, July 9, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at the Tukwila Pool facility located at 4414 S 144th, Tukwila, WA 98168

f. Next TPMPD Board of Commissioners meeting is Thursday, July 23, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at Valley View Sewer District, Conference Room located at 3460 S. 148th Suite 100, Tukwila, WA 981688.

MISCELLANEOUS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The TPMPD Board of Commissioners may recess into Executive Session to consider the employment or dismissal of personnel, to review the performance of a public employee, to consult with legal counsel, to consider the position to be taken in collective bargaining, to consider acquisition or sale of real estate or other matters per RCW 42.30.110.1g

Board President Kruller called the executive session at 8:14 p.m. to last until 8:30 p.m. There was a time extension of an additional 10 minutes.

Board President Kruller reconvened the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Item 5g. was added to the agenda regarding a conversion of pay model from hourly to salary and also in regard to an extension of Mr. McCoy's term of employment and putting him on salary rather than an hourly wage.

MOVED BY SEAL, SECONDED BY DUFFIE TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT FOR KIM MCCOY TO DECEMBER 31, 2015 WITH THE TERMS REMAINING THE SAME WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT COMPENSATION WILL BE ON A SALARY BASIS RATE RATHER THAN AN HOURLY WITH THE BENEFITS TO REMAIN THE SAME. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

Mr. Perkins would like to hire an assistant manager. Board President Kruller stated that by consensus of the Board, he has approval to hire an assistant manager provided this falls within his budget for the pool.

ADJOURNMENT

8:43 p.m. MOVED BY DUFFIE, SECONDED BY SEAL THAT THE TUKWILA METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT MEETING BE ADJOURNED. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Kate Kruller, President, Board of Commissioners