

**Bend Metro Park & Recreation District
Board of Directors
Executive Session & Regular Meeting
May 4, 2010**

BOARD PRESENT: Scott Wallace, George Thayer, Ted Schoenborn and Scott Asla.

STAFF PRESENT: Don Horton, Bruce Ronning, Lindsey Lombard, Ed Moore, Paul Stell, Jan Taylor, Dave Crowther, Wayne Smith, and Paula Lowery.

LEGAL COUNSEL: Paul Taylor.

MEDIA: None.

VISITORS: Michael Graham, David Visiko, Jeff Amaral and Dr. Jock Pribnow.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Scott Wallace convened an executive session at 6:30 pm pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e) for the purpose of discussing real property transactions.

REGULAR MEETING

Chair Scott Wallace called the regular meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

VISITORS

Dr. Jock Pribnow addressed the board regarding the ban on tobacco products in district parks and facilities. He stated he is a retired physician and has a master's degree in public health. He stated that based on his public health background, he thinks the ban on tobacco products in Bend public parks is a wonderful idea. He stated he thinks the parks are for everyone to enjoy with a minimum of hazards. He stated that he thinks everyone agrees that there are risks with smoking and the smokeless tobacco presents risks to the actual user as well as aesthetics for non-users. He stated that if smoking is banned, but smokeless tobacco is permitted, it implies that smokeless tobacco is really not bad. He urged the board to proceed with the ban on all tobacco products in the parks.

PROCLAMATION

The board proclaimed May as Older Americans Month 2010.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes – April 20, 2010

Adopt 2010-11 SDC Fee Schedule

Approve purchase option agreement of new neighborhood park property in Service Area 5

Ted Schoenborn moved to remove the purchase option agreement for the neighborhood park property for separate consideration and approve the minutes and SDC fee schedule on the consent agenda. Scott Asla seconded the motion. Scott Wallace asked for clarification of the SDC fee schedule calculation. Bruce Ronning noted the board adopted a new methodology and SDC ordinance last year along with Resolution No. 312 that set the fee for fiscal year 2009-10 at the same fee imposed in the previous year. He explained the board chose not to impose the fee at the level the new ordinance called for. He stated the board also opted to step the fee up in equal amounts annually over a period of four years until it reached the fully allowable amount under the new methodology and calculation. Bruce stated the step increase program

pursuant to Resolution No. 312 would begin July 1, 2010. He stated the board has typically revised and reset the SDC fee schedule in May each year in order to allow time to provide both the city and county with the district's fee schedule to be included in the adoption of their fee resolution. Bruce stated that the indexed adjustment based on construction costs and information from the county with regard to land values has been applied to the fee in addition to the step program. He noted this year the new index calls for a reduction in the fee of 3.5%, resulting in the fee schedule, Resolution No. 323, being presented for board consideration of approval. Ted Schoenborn, George Thayer, Scott Asla and Scott Wallace all voted aye. Motion passed.

Purchase of Neighborhood Park Property in Service Area 5

George Thayer moved to authorize the executive director to negotiate the purchase of the MacFarlane Property located at 1630 NE Butler Market Road for an amount not to exceed \$280,000 and to approve the purchase contingent upon a satisfactory Level 1 Environmental Report. Scott Asla seconded the motion. George Thayer, Scott Asla, Ted Schoenborn and Scott Wallace all voted aye. Motion passed.

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 9, Park Rules & Regulations

Ted Schoenborn moved to read Ordinance No. 9, Park Rules & Regulations, by title only. Scott Asla seconded the motion. Ted Schoenborn, Scott Asla, George Thayer, and Scott Wallace all voted aye. Motion passed.

The board offered no additional discussion regarding Ordinance No. 9.

Ted Schoenborn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 9, Park Rules & Regulations, replacing Ordinance No. 7. George Thayer seconded the motion. Ted Schoenborn, George Thayer and Scott Wallace all voted aye. Scott Asla voted nay. The motion passed with a vote of three ayes and one nay.

JSFC Concrete Slab Repairs & Renovation

Dave Crowther explained the components of the contract, the request for proposal solicitation process and subsequent committee review of submitted proposals. He noted that staff is recommending awarding the contract to Contech Services, Inc. He explained that while Contech Services, Inc. was not the low bidder, they possess greater expertise and more prior experience necessary for successful completion of the repairs and renovations. Dave noted that the funds for the project are in the 2009-10 budget and will be carried over to 2010-11 as the work will not be done until the September shutdown of JSFC. George Thayer moved to accept the bid from Contech Services, Inc. in the amount of \$191,200.00 and a total project amount not to exceed \$210,320.00. Scott Asla seconded the motion. George Thayer, Scott Asla, Ted Schoenborn and Scott Wallace all voted aye. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Goose Management Update

Ed Moore provided a report on the status of the Goose Management Plan. He introduced Jeff Amaral, USDA Fish & Wildlife Services. He stated real progress has been made with hazing through partnerships with the US Humane Society, Geese Peace, and USDA. He also noted that the district has worked with volunteers to identify nests and oil eggs. He stated that in the event the district uses lethal methods of control, it is anticipated the number will now be considerably less than before the hazing and other management methods were put in place. Ed added that a budget request will go before the budget committee for funds to continue the work with Wildlife Services. Paul Stell reported that he has received numerous comments from the public about fewer geese in Drake Park. He explained the hazing efforts

have been tapered off during the nesting of the geese with efforts focused on oiling eggs. He stated if that is continued over time he anticipates it will have a significant affect. Paul reported that he and Jeff have met with a group of volunteers who have herding dogs and it is hoped that a hazing program can be initiated after the nesting season that will further reduce the number of geese in the park. He explained the molting period renders the geese flightless and stated an increase in the hazing will occur before the molt in hopes of reducing the number of geese from settling into the parks during that flightless period. Jeff stated a lot of progress has been made with the hazing program and it remains to be seen whether there will be a large influx into the parks during the molting period. He noted that he has talked with other landowners who have not seen an increase in the numbers of geese moving to the golf courses or other properties as a result of the district's hazing program. Don Horton stated in the event the geese do not return during the molt, the program will prove to be successful and a strategy to be continued. He stated that in the event there is a return of a large number of geese, a capture will be undertaken to remove some of the geese. He added that determination will be made by the wildlife professionals. Scott Asla complimented staff for their efforts in working with the numerous groups to accomplish a reduction in the numbers of geese in the parks.

Don Horton reminded the board of the budget meetings May 10, 12 and 17, and the cancellation of the May 18 board meeting.

Don Horton asked a board member to represent the district at the Senior Center accreditation event on May 13. Ted Schoenborn offered to represent the board at the event.

Don Horton reported that ClearOne has donated \$5,000 to the district's scholarship program.

Don Horton reported on the installation of the Riverbend Park roundabout art donated by Art In Public Places. He also noted that staff will be meeting with the city and Art In Public Places to discuss redevelopment of Brandis Square.

Don Horton reported that the district's summer recreation registration begins on May 6 and noted this will be the first big test of the new online registration system.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Prepared by,

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Scott Wallace, Chair

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