PORT WASHINGTON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES

DATE: May 9, 2013 LOCATION: Parks & Rec Office

The meeting was called to order by Vice President R. Voigt at 6:00 PM

I. Members present (P), absent (A) or excused (E): Voigt_P Klotz_E Erhlich_P Kinas_P Lemkuil_P Becker_P Rudser_P Deal_E Karrels_P Late: A. Becker @ 6:10 pm

II. Motion by P. Lemkuil to accept minutes as presented. Second by S. Kinas Motion carried 7-0

III. Citizen Comments not on the agenda
   • Nothing Submitted

IV. Old Business:
   A. Elected Official's Report
      • Ald. Rudser and Ald. Erhlich addressed the Board and gave a brief summary of themselves
      • Ald. Erhlich reported that the Coal Dock grand opening is still scheduled for June 22nd

   B. Planning Commission Rep Report
      • Nothing Reported

   C. Director's Report
      • Reviewed and Submitted
      • Staff reported that they are busy as this is the start of the summer season for programs, parks and the Waterpark

   D. Update on Coal Dock Park
      • Staff provided an update on the Coal Dock progress and plans
      • Ald. Ehrlich reported that City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven feels that the work will be completed in time for the scheduled grand opening of the Park on June 22nd
      • R. Voigt reported that the Committee briefly discussed the need for a railing on the promenade from the bend to the far east end. The Committee will revisit this topic at the next meeting
      • Staff also reported that the Committee will continue to meet, after the Coal Dock opens, and serve in an advisory capacity to the Parks & Rec Board

   E. Update on Waterfront Safety Ad-Hoc Committee
      • Staff reported, in conjunction with Ald. Rudser, that the Committee is now fund raising for safety features proposed for the Lakefront area
      • Ald. Rudser reported that a couple of these safety enhancements include, Wi-Fi access for the North Beach, life rings for the North and South Beaches and the Marina areas
      • Ald. Rudser also reported that the informational signs are planned to be installed on both the North and South Beaches
      • Ald. Rudser reported that, as a part of a US Coast Guard grant, a life jacket station will be placed at the Marina for the public to use
      • Ald. Rudser reported that the Committee is hosting a second waterfront safety event. The second event will be at Veteran’s Memorial Park and the North Beach on June 23rd, starting at 1 pm
F. Update on Community Garden with Derek Strohl
   - Derek Strohl (765 W. Melin Street) presented an update on the Garden
   - Strohl reported that all of the 70 planned plots have been rented and there is one person on the wait list. The Association will till the final plots in the upcoming weeks
   - Strohl also reported that a shed was erected. It will be used to store gardening equipment
   - Strohl reported that he is looking into the possibility of installing a rain garden just north of the Community Garden. Strohl said that his hope is that the rain garden will filter water from a storm sewer, which in turn, will supply clean water to the Community Garden users
   - Strohl stated that if the rain garden is a definite plan, he will come back in front of the Board for permission to install it

V. New Business

A. Welcome New Board Members
   - Ald. Erhlich and Ald. Rudser were welcomed to the Board. Current Board members introduced themselves for the benefit of the Aldermen

B. Review and Recommend Hiring of Staff
   - Motion made by P. Lemkuil to approve the staff as presented. Seconded by M. Ehrlich. Motion carried 7-0

C. Election of Board Officers and Planning Commission Representative
   - Board discussed the election and came to the consensus that all members should be present for a fair vote. Therefore, it was decided to table the vote until the June meeting
   - Motion made by S. Kinas to table the election of Board Officers and Planning Commission Representative until the June meeting. Seconded by J. Karrels. Motion carried 7-0

D. Review and Recommend Park Hours for and Allowance of Alcohol in Coal Dock Park
   - Staff informed Board that the new Coal Dock Park needs to have hours and a policy regarding the consumption of alcohol on the premises established
   - Board discussed the topic and felt that the same hours as Rotary Park should be used. Additionally, the Board felt that alcohol should be allowed in Coal Dock Park
   - Motion made by S. Kinas to establish the hours of 6 am to 11 pm for the Coal Dock and to allow alcohol in the Park. Seconded by P. Lemkuil. Motion carried 7-0

VI. Any Other Business That May Properly Come Before the Board
   - Nothing Reported

VII. Motion to adjourn by M. Ehrlich. Seconded by A. Becker. Motion carried 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ron Voigt
Acting Secretary