

Island Rec - San Juan Island Park & Recreation District  
Minutes of the Board of Commissioners' Meeting  
March 20, 2008

Commissioner Zehner called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm on Thursday, March 20, 2008 in the Island Rec Office. Commissioners, Zehner, Ricks, and Schoultz present. Commissioners Hahn and Cumming absent. Staff present, Director Thomsen and Admin. Assistant Curtiss.

1. Introduction of Visitors/Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:
  - a. Former Commissioner Chris Nelson congratulated the Commission on their support of the dog park project and donated \$100 to the project. Mr. Nelson also congratulated the Commission on their support of the Trails Committee and donated \$25 towards a subscription to American Trails magazine.
  - b. Don Jarrell and David Dehlendorf representing the Trails Committee, gave a presentation on their recent accomplishments, their current projects, and their plans for the future. Mr. Jarrell and Mr. Dehlendorf expressed the Committee's appreciation for the financial support from Island Rec and their plans for the 2008 budget.
  - c. Fiona and Richard Norris representing the Horticultural Society, spoke to the Commission about the re-vegetation of the Lafarge property and what steps are necessary to make it happen. Mrs. Norris suggested the design/re-vegetation of the property be made an educational project with a college or university. The Horticultural Society will discuss the needs of the property and what their role might be in developing a re-vegetation project.
2. Approval of the minutes of the previous meetings. Without objection, the minutes of February 21, 2008 were approved as presented.
3. Correspondence
  - a. Letter from the Friday Harbor Athletic Association regarding the operation and maintenance of the Carter Street Fields. Commissioner Zehner stated he attended a meeting earlier this date at which Don Galt Jr. further explained an estimate of cost for scheduling the fields and park by Island Rec is what they need at this time. Director Thomsen will develop the estimate.
4. Approval of Payroll/Vouchers: Without objection, payroll and vouchers were approved as presented.
5. On-Going Business:
  - a. Board Retreat Follow up – Commissioners agreed the retreat and facilitator were well worth the time and money. Director Thomsen advised Ms. Hobbs, the facilitator, offered to work with the Commission at the planned budget work session in the fall at no additional cost.

- b. Dog Park Committee – Commissioner Schoultz reported a verbal approval has been issued for the Conditional Use Permit necessary for the construction of the dog park. Ms. Schoultz reported fund raising is going well and the Committee continues to operate with enthusiasm.
  - c. Lafarge Property – Horticultural Society (see item # 1c). Container – Director Thomsen reported the effort to obtain a containerized shipping van for storage at the Lafarge property has been halted.
6. New Business:
- a. Trails Committee Report – (see item #1b).
  - b. February Financial Report – the Commission acknowledged the receipt of the report.
  - c. K-9 Carnival – Director Thomsen reminded the Commission of the event on March 30<sup>th</sup> and that volunteers are still needed.
  - d. Children’s Festival – Director Thomsen reminded the Commission of the event on May 3<sup>rd</sup> with a professional jump roper as the headline act.
  - e. Park Update – Ms. Thomsen advised the Commission that repairs to the fence are being made at the Skate Park by the Sheriff’s work crew. Additional repairs or some design changes may be necessary in the future if the fence repairs are not adequate.
7. Commissioner Discussion Items.
8. Adjournment – Without objection, Commissioner Zehner adjourned the meeting at 6:50 pm.

Submitted by:

Patricia Curtiss  
Administrative Assistant

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Commissioner Ricks

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Commissioner Cumming

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Commissioner Hahn

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Commissioner Schoultz

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Commissioner Zehner