



**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
MAY 13, 2019**

PRESENT: Aaron Pointer, President
Tim Reid, Clerk
Andrea Smith
Erik Hanberg
Jessie Baines

IN THE CHAIR: Aaron Pointer

PLACE: MPT Headquarters

FLAG SALUTE: Commissioner Hanberg

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Metropolitan Park District Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Pointer at 6:00p.m.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS None

PRESIDENTS REPORT

President Pointer commented that he attended last week's Tacoma Athletic Commission meeting. At the meeting student athletes from local colleges and universities were honored. In addition the commission recognized Willie Stewart who was recently named the Tacoma Peace Laureate.

President Pointer also congratulated the City of Fircrest who recently passed a measure for funding for a new pool and recreation center.

STANDING COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Joint Municipal Action Committee

Commissioner Smith commented that the JMAC quarterly meeting was held on May 10th. Agenda items included an update on school funding, announcement of a new Port of Tacoma CEO, successful State Capital requests by Metro Parks, and DOT homelessness clean up update.

Active Living and Community Wellness

Commissioner Reid commented that the recently visited Dune Park.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director, Shon Sylvia commented on the following:

- Staff is making final preparations to open the Point Defiance Visitors Center for the season. The Visitors Center will be open Fridays – Sundays, 10am-5pm, Memorial Day through Labor Weekend.

- Parks & Recreation and Planning staff will hold a Point Defiance Marina Customer Information Meeting Tuesday night (tomorrow) from 6pm-7:15pm at Point Defiance Pagoda. Various Marina user groups have been invited to attend the meeting which will focus on Marina services, fishing season, bond projects and Q&A with boat locker tenants.
- The 5th annual Cinderella Ball sponsored by the Tacoma Yacht Club and hosted by the Metro Parks Specialized Recreation program is Saturday May 18th at 1pm . All ages are welcome.
- Staff was informed last week by NRPA that Metro Parks Tacoma has been selected as a finalist for the 2019 National Gold Medal Awards for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management program. Announcements of the winners are made in September at the National Conference.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Sandra Ford commented on her concerns regarding homelessness issues and illegal activity in and around Blueberry Park. She requested that the District work with the City and Police to take action. Ms. Ford invited the Board to attend the Safe Streets meeting in their neighborhood on the 21st.

Corina Going commented on the ongoing illegal activity around and in Blueberry Park. She urged the Board to work with Police and the City to help make things safer in the neighborhood.

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 22, 2019 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Commissioner Hanberg moved to adopt the minutes as amended; seconded by Commissioner Reid and passed on a vote of 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. C34-19: REVISING MAY 2019 MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Hanberg moved to adopt the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Commissioner Reid and passed on a vote of 5-0.

PURCHASING RESOLUTIONS None

PUBLIC WORKS PURCHASING RESOLUTIONS None

SINGLE READING RESOLUTIONS None

SECOND READINGS RESOLUTIONS None

RESOLUTION NO. RR32-19: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT OF TACOMA, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF UNLIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000 TO REFUND CERTAIN OUTSTANDING

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE DISTRICT AND TO PAY CERTAIN COSTS OF ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL LEVY OF TAXES TO PAY THE BONDS; AND DELEGATING TO THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF THE DISTRICT THE AUTHORITY TO DETERMINE THE FINAL TERMS OF THE BONDS UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH HEREIN.

This resolution was moved and seconded on April 22nd.

Commissioner Reid asked if the recent market plunge will affect the rates. Bond staff indicated that there is an actual an inverse effect and will likely not affect the sale of the bonds.

Being no further comments the resolution passed on a vote of 5-0.

FIRST READING RESOLUTIONS None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS None

BOARD COMMENTS

Commissioner Smith commented positively on her recent visit to the new aquarium with her family.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board recessed into executive session for one hour to discuss pending litigation.

ADJOURN:

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

APPROVED:

President

Clerk

Submitted by: Jennifer Bowman, Board Secretary