

Forever Green Council Board Monthly Meeting

November 9, 2012

Metropolitan Parks District Building

Attended by: David Seago, Jane Moore, Kirk Kirkland, Barbara Skinner, Ernie Bay, Lyle Quasim, Brianna Charbonnel, David Boe, Bob Myrick, Shawn Phelps, Tony Tipton, Kendall Reid, Joseph Coppo, Senior Parks Planner, Pierce Co. , Kimberly Freeman, Resource Stewardship Superintendent, Pierce County and Mark Williams, Council member Assistant, Pierce County.

Minutes taken by Kendall Reid

Meeting called to order at 12:05 by President David Seago.

Minutes of the October 11 board meeting were approved.

Finance Jane presented conference costs and a proposed budget update.

The Greater Tacoma Community Foundation has decided to discontinue payroll support as part of the fiscal agent agreement. We may be able to get assistance from Transportation Choices or the Northwest Leadership Foundation. David Boe will talk with the Conservation District about payroll support.

Jane reported on the Washington State Trails Conference. A state trails coordinator has just been appointed to build support for long range trails. Several sessions at the conference were of interest, including one on the economic significance of trails.

The Board Retreat, a strategic planning event, will be Jan 9 from 12-4 at the Lakewood Recreation Center.

New Business The slate of officers for 2013 is Barbara Skinner, president, Terry Lee, vice president, Tim Payne, treasurer, Kendall Reid secretary. Lyle moved the slate be accepted, David Boe seconded and the slate was approved. For 2013 meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday.

Government Relations Tony reported that council member Rick Talbert is studying suggestions for future planning for the parks district, which have been severely impacted by lower tax revenues.

The City of Puyallup is putting high priority on the development of the trail to be built in cooperation with PSE. Both capital improvement money and a grant will be used for the project. No easements or right of way acquisitions have occurred yet.

Bob reported that Sumner is paving trails and building bridges and Bonney Lake is considering trails to connect with the Foothills Trail.

Jane and David Boe commented on the Prairie Line Trail 21st Street Crossing. David further reported that the Schuster Parkway trail from downtown to Ruston Way is in design.

Meeting adjourned at 1:25.