

Forever Green Council Board Monthly Meeting
May 10, 2012
Metropolitan Parks District Building

Attended by: Barbara Skinner, Jane Moore, Kirk Kirkland, Brianna Charbonnel, Shawn Phelps, Bob Myrick, Ernie Bay, Lyle Quasim, Chris Beale, Kendall Reid

Minutes taken by Kendall Reid

Meeting called to order at 12:10 pm by Vice President Barbara Skinner.

The minutes of the April 12 Board meeting were approved.

Finance: Current balance is \$14,878. Fund raising contributions of \$1755 have been received; to be matched by anonymous donor.

Government Relations: Jane and Diane Waitr attended the Oregon Active Transportation Summit.

Bob supports recreational use of the levee that is one feature of the Pierce County Surface Water Agency's \$300 million flood plan, designed to address flood control needs for 20 years.

Shawn Phelps reports that a series of meetings is being held to revise the regional trails map. Bike lanes that provide access to trails will be added to the map. Proposed trails and bike lanes will be part of the map. The map will be brought to the FG board for comment.

The Puget Sound Regional Council is creating a regional bicycle route network as part of the long range transportation plan. This could have future funding implications.

The Parks Leadership Task Force will not be able to conduct a survey to measure public interest in parks, because of a recent court ruling. Information will be gathered instead through a workshop.

Pierce County Agriculture Roundtable wants to reestablish a farm commission and farm agent to work on protecting agricultural land.

Chris Beale reported that the Coalition for Active Transportation is working with the Tacoma Pierce County Health Department on the community transformation grant project. Their implementation plan has been approved.

City of Tacoma will be developing bicycle boulevards this summer as part of its Mobility Plan with BPAC's leadership.

Ernie Bay reported enhancements to the Puyallup River Walk.

Conference: Based on availability of the venue, the executive committee has changed the date for the trails conference to Tuesday Sept. 18th; 3:30-7:30 pm (panel discussion, reception and keynote) at the Pierce County Environmental Services Building.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:27 pm.