



**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS  
MAY 8, 2023**

PRESENT: Aaron Pointer, Clerk  
Tim Reid  
Rosie Ayala  
Michael Liang

EXCUSED: Andrea Smith

IN THE CHAIR: Aaron Pointer

PLACE: District HQ, 4702 S. 19<sup>th</sup> St. Tacoma, WA 98405

**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. Commissioner Liang read a land acknowledgement.

A motion was made to excuse President Smith; seconded and passed unanimously.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE HAWAIIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE  
MONTH PROCLAMATION**

Following a brief staff introduction, Commissioner Liang read a proclamation that recognized and honored May as Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

Lua Pritchard of the APCC accepted the proclamation and a Korean women's dance troop performed a short dance.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** None

**STANDING COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL REPORTS**

Active Lifestyle & Community Wellness Advisory Council

Commissioner Pointer commented that the council met on April 27<sup>th</sup>. At the meeting staff gave a presentation on the Loop Trail project.

Business & Responsive Agency Advisory Council

Commissioner Reid commented that the council meets tomorrow morning.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

Executive Director, Shon Sylvia commented on the following:

- Dash Point Park & Pier Community Meeting will be May 23rd, 6-7:30 pm. The Meeting will be held at Norpoint.
- Congratulations to MPT community center asst. supervisor, Lisa Ellson who was recently elected to the Board of Directors for WRPA.
- Debbie Russell introduced new HR employees Amanda Rhymes and Detrek Jones.
- Mark Knowlden showed a video introducing many new Parks & Recreation Staff.

**COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

Curt Mehlhaff commented he was glad for the opportunity to visit the Eastside Community Center at the last Board Meeting. Mr. Mehlhaff noted his concern over the federal debt ceiling dispute.

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 24, 2023 REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Commissioner Liang moved to adopt the minutes as presented; seconded by Commissioner Ayala and passed on a vote of 4-0 (President Smith being excused).

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. C38-23:** APPROVAL OF WARRANTS CLAIM FUND FOR APRIL 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. C39-23:** APPOINTING MEMBER TO THE ACTIVE LIVING AND COMMUNITY WELLNESS ADVISORY COUNCIL

**RESOLUTION NO. C40-23:** POINT DEFIANCE SANITARY SEWER LIFT STATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT NO J2021-22 FINAL ACCEPTANCE TO AWARD CONSTRUCTION, INC.

**RESOLUTION NO. C41-23:** POINT DEFIANCE PARK OWEN BEACH ACCESS ENTRY ROAD PROJECT NO. J2022-05 FINAL ACCEPTANCE TO WILDWOOD CARPENTRY, LLC

Commissioner Liang moved to adopt the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Commissioner Ayala and passed on a vote of 4-0 (President Smith being excused).

New council members were recognized and thanked.

**PURCHASING RESOLUTIONS** None

**PUBLIC WORKS PURCHASING RESOLUTIONS** None

**SINGLE READING RESOLUTIONS** None

**SECOND READINGS RESOLUTIONS** None

**FIRST READING RESOLUTIONS** None

**NEW BUSINESS** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** None

**BOARD COMMENTS**

Commissioners Reid & Ayala commented on the NW Trek Volunteer Recognition event they attend last Saturday.

Commissioner Pointer stated that he attended the memorial service for community member Tom Dickson, noting his Mr. Dickson’s impact on the local community.

**ADJOURN**

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35p.m.

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President

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Clerk

Submitted by: Jennifer Bowman, Board Secretary