

RECORD OF PROCEEDING OF
CHUCKANUT COMMUNITY FOREST PARK DISTRICT
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
Special Meeting
Thursday, April 18, 2013

Fairhaven Park Pavilion
Chuckanut Drive, Bellingham, WA
7:00 to 9:00 PM

Called To Order The meeting was called to order by President John Hymas.

Commissioners and Citizens were welcomed and thanked for attending, and informed that per Chapter 42.30 RCW (Open Public Meetings Act), all CCFPD board meetings are open to the public.

Roll Call:

Vince Biciunas

Cathy McKenzie

John Brown

Susan Kaun

John Hymas

All Present

Motion was made to approve the agenda for today's meeting.

Sue Kaun moved and Vince Biciunas seconded to approve with three amendments or changes to the agenda:

First, to remove "convene possible Executive Session" and make it a definite "Convene in Executive Session."

Second, to have a ninety-minute executive session, reconvening the Special Meeting at 8:30 PM

Third, to strike the motion to review the interview questions. This should be done in executive session.

Agenda approved unanimously with three changes.

The six Applicants to our Request for Qualifications (RFQ) are:

Buri, Philip, of Buri Funston Mumford
Carmichael, Robert, of Zender Thurston
Dykes, Barbara, Attorney at Law
Graafstra, Thom of Weed, Graafstra and Benson
Resick, Thomas, of Resick Hansen Fryer Hall & Heinz
Sitkin, Jon, of Chmelik Sitkin & Davis

Meeting adjourned for Executive Session, to re-convene at 8:30 PM.

Meeting Called to Order at 8:30 PM.

Motion: Cathy McKenzie made a motion to agree on three candidates to invite for interviews:

Philip Buri of Buri Funston Mumford
Robert Carmichael of Zender Thurston
Jon Sitkin of Chmelik Sitkin and Davis
Vince Biciunas Seconded.
Motion Passed unanimously.

Motion to use executive session at our next meeting to interview candidates.
Moved by Sue Kaun and seconded by Vince Biciunas. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to discuss interview procedures made by Vince Biciunas, to invite candidates to give us thirty minutes, with 20 minutes of prepared questions from us to candidates, five minutes of other questions or candidate questions to us, and five minutes of transition time. We would use the evaluation matrix to score candidate points and we have changed some of the questions in our executive session from those published before this meeting. Seconded by Sue Kaun. Motion passed unanimously.

On the motion to designate a liaison between the attorney and commissioners, John Brown made the motion to table that decision until we've chosen our attorney. Sue Kaun seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

No other business.

Public Comments Heard

Christopher Grannis said thank you for your work.

Michael Lilliquist, Bellingham City Council, asked if during this time of organization, have we had any further conversations with representatives of the City, or are we waiting until we have legal counsel?

Vince Biciunas replied that she has spoken informally with Parks Director James King, who asked to have his email added to the notifications list. And she's spoken with our Treasurer, Whatcom County Treasurer Steven Oliver, with that report to come at our next Regular Meeting.

John Brown asked Council Member Lilliquist if we can expect any bumps in the road, in dealing with the City Council or Mayor's Office or Greenways or Parks Department, and was answered that he hasn't spoken with everyone, can't really say, but didn't expect that any concerns would rise to the level of 'dealbreaker.'

Cathy McKenzie commented that we would communicate with the City after we have legal counsel.

Bernie Walz asked us to repeat the names of the three attorneys selected. He was referred to the list of six on today's agenda, and then we repeated the names.

Christopher Grannis asked about the procedure for interviews at our next meeting and was answered that we will conduct some business first, then convene to Executive Session to conduct the three interviews. Then we will convene in open session to vote.

We also repeated that no other business or decisions can be made at this Special Meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 PM.