

CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
April 13, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ed Dacy Hiede Holmes Chris Ndifon
Annie Morton Cynthia Raufmann-Trewartha

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sheryl Knowles Jean Spohn

STAFF PRESENT:

Steve Roemer, Parks Development and Operations Manager

GUESTS PRESENT:

Keith Lionetti

Ed Dacy, Board Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

None

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

None

The agenda was approved 4/0/0

MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING:

The minutes from the March meeting were approved 4/0/0.

AGENDA AND ACTION ITEMS:

Welcome of New Park and Recreation Board Members

Two new Board members, Annie Morton and Cynthia Raufmann-Trewartha, introduced themselves, as did the rest of the Board. They were appointed by City Council on March 28, 2011, with their terms beginning on April 4, 2011 and will end on March 31, 2015. Chris Ndifon was also re-appointed for a second term on the Board.

Presentation on Sport of Disc Golf

Keith Lionetti, the owner of Chainbangers disc golf store in Burien presented the sport of disc golf to the Board and his desire to have a course located within a

Burien park in the future. Disc golf began in California in 1972 and the rules are generally the same as golf. The sanctioning body would be considered the Professional Disc Golf Association, and locally Keith is a member Discovering Open Spaces a non-profit which promotes the sport. There are several courses in King County Parks and Seatac has what is considered to be the 10th toughest course in the nation. The main components for a course are the tee pad, typically 4'x8' made of concrete and other materials, a disc basket and tee signs.

The sport has participants ranging in age from 8-80+ years old and locally there is an after school program with Highline School District students. Keith has received CPG grant funds from King County to do redesign work at the Lakewood Park course, and at Seatac local volunteers provide most of the course maintenance. The physical installation of a course can be done in about one week and can be done in the \$20,000- \$30,000 price range. Courses that have the draw of tournaments can bring positive economic benefits to a host city. Some pay to play courses are starting to arise, as an option to support operational expenses. For a championship course a dimensional rule of thumb is an acre per hole. However, an eighteen hole course could be designed on 10 acres in the right environment. Smaller courses of nine holes can be flexibly designed in smaller environments.

Discussion of Parks Board Annual Report

The 2009 Parks and Recreation Annual report was distributed to the Board with the request for members to draft a 2010 version for review at the May meeting.

Update on Park Capital and Operations

Steve updated the Board on the following projects:

- Burien Community Garden
- Arbor Day Event of April 13th
- Seahurst Shoreline Restoration
- PROS and Visioning Plans
- Audubon Society's Puget Sound Loop Birding Map

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Ed briefed all on the current planning of the Lake to Sound Trail which intersects Burien along Des Moines Memorial Drive.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND/OR QUESTIONS

- Community Garden topics, as necessary.
- Parks Capital projects and operations updates
- Informal recreation opportunities in parks. -
- Potential for future dog park or off-leash areas.
- Discussion of Seahurst Rules and Regulations
- Discussion of park hours of operation
- PROS Plan
- Disc (Frisbee) Golf
- Health and Wellness Programming
- Next location for a B-Patch

The next meeting is May 11, 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

Submitted by Steve Roemer, Parks Manager