



**City of Sammamish**  
**Parks and Recreation Commission**  
**Regular Meeting**  
November 3, 2010 - 6:30-8:30 PM  
Sammamish City Hall ~ 801-229<sup>th</sup> Ave SE

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## **MEETING SUMMARY**

**Commissioners Present:** Hank Klein, Judy Petersen, Mary Doerrer, Larry Crandall, Pauline Cantor, Nora Whittemore, Rena Brady, John James

**Commissioners Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Jessi Richardson, Linda Frkuska, Joanna Puthoff, Janie Jackson

**Call to Order:** 6:37 p.m.

**Approval of Summary:** October 6 Meeting Summary was approved.

**Public Comment:** None

### **Farmers Market Presentation**

Sammamish Farmers Market Manager Deb Sogge and Assistant Market Manager Juliana Pash reported on the history of the Farmers Market and its growth and success. In an article this year, King County EcoConsumer Tom Watson described the Sammamish Farmers Market as 'a green market beautifully set between two green buildings with a wonderful view.' The 2010 market was the most successful so far. Vendors increased from 66 in 2009 to 72 in 2010. Vendor receipts increased 30%, vendor sales increased 32% and market attendance increased as well, despite 6 weeks of rainy weather at the beginning of the season.

### **PRO Plan Discussion**

#### Table of Contents and Calendar

All possible meeting dates for the coming year were provided to serve as a roadmap for the work that needs to be accomplished in 2011. The Parks Commission will provide the initial review of each chapter, followed by the Planning Commission, the Arts Commission and eventually the City Council. Second reviews may be needed if significant revisions are made.

#### Draft Goals and Objectives

Currently in outline format, the initial draft was reviewed previously by the steering committee. Commission discussed and provided comments and suggestions. Staff will make the suggested changes and bring back for a second review.

#### Brainstorming on Volunteers, Recreation and Facilities

Commissioners talked about current volunteer utilization and how it could be expanded; current and future recreation opportunities; facilities and what amenities might be needed. Input from this brainstorming session will be used to develop the first drafts of the sections on Volunteers, Recreation and Facilities.

### Discuss Public Process

Due to the high number of anticipated meetings in 2011, it was suggested the PC meetings happen in conjunction with public meetings related to the PRO Plan. Commissioners concurred.

### **Selection of Chair and Vice Chair for 2011**

Hank and Pauline expressed their willingness to continue serving as Chair and Vice Chair. Commissioners discussed changing the bylaws to move the election of chair and vice chair to January. This will be discussed at a future meeting. Motion was made and seconded to have Hank and Pauline continue as Chair and Vice Chair.

Commissioners thanked Jessi for her outstanding budget report which was recently presented to Council. Jessi provided a brief overview of the approved budget.

### **Park Commission Liaison Reports:**

#### Skate Park

No report.

#### Farmers Market – Judy Petersen

Judy is stepping down as lead of this subcommittee. Larry volunteered for the 2011 market season.

#### Friends of Sammamish – Hank Klein

Rena and Judy have volunteered to take over this subcommittee.

Backyard Wildlife Habitat Project/Native Plant Stewardship – Hank Klein, Pauline Cantor  
25 additional points still needed to certify Sammamish. If certification is obtained, a celebration may be planned for next Earth Day. Illahee Trail is the location of the current Native Plant Stewardship project. Their first public work party was last week. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sammamish Salvage took place last week. The Illahee group salvaged 150 plants and replanted them at the restoration site. The same day, a scout troupe held a work party at the Sammamish Commons restoration site.

#### Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan

No report.

#### Sammamish Walks – Judy Petersen

Leaders have been chosen for all walks in 2011. A couple of new trails have been added.

#### P-Patch – Mary Doerrer

Mary visited the site. She's unsure if the plots will be ready by spring. Jessi reported that the City will fund the capital costs, obtain the supplies, and support the construction. Mary will help organize a community steering committee.

#### Health and Wellness – Mary Doerrer

No report. This subcommittee remains undefined. John volunteered to help.

#### Sammamish Trails Project – Judy Petersen, Rena Brady

Seven trails are listed on the website. A volunteer is working on drawing consistent maps. New photos have been included. Everyone was encouraged to visit the website for more information, [www.sammamishwalks.org](http://www.sammamishwalks.org).

**Calendar:**      December 1    Tree Lighting Event  
                      December 8    Parks Commission Meeting  
                      December 13  Volunteer Dinner

**Adjourn:**        9:10 p.m.