

Waterfront Recreation Committee Minutes
March 14, 2013 - 1:00 pm
Marina Center Boardroom

Members in Attendance: Doug Archbald, Sam Bauer, Cori Collins, Pepi Gerald, Adam Lapierre , Greg Stiegel, Rich McBride , and Liz Whitmore

Members Absent: Laney Gale, Bill Lake, Brian Shortt, and Lori Stirn

Liz Whitmore opened the March 14 meeting at 1:04p.m. No items were added to the agenda.

Committee approved meeting minutes for December 12, 2012.

Public Comment

None

Reviewed High-Water Plan at Event Site

- Committee discussed that it would be advantageous to have the Event Site set up with the flight deck and signage in place by May 1st.
- It was also agreed that the Event Site should be divided into the designated windsurfing and kiteboarding areas year-round. (ie: kites should always launch from the designated kiteboarding area on the east end)
- While the end date for kite launching and landing will be flexible, it will be important to plan carefully and close access once, avoiding flip-flopping.
- Swim cable dividing kiteboarding and windsurfing was discussed and was determined to be a hazard. Committee decided not to pursue.
- SUP boards should not be allowed to be stored at beach.
- Sam Bauer volunteered to use his boat to haul logs (from spring runoff) out into the middle of the river with his boat.

Marina Beach

- Concern was raised that even with signage people will continue to launch and land upwind of beach users.
- Adam Lapierre explained the reason CGKA proposed that plan was because the Event Site wasn't available and needed a location for kiteboarders to launch during high-water conditions.

Spit

- Group is meeting next week to do a walk-thru and develop an improvement list for the Spit.
- Parking area needs to be leveled.

Event Site Parking – Proposed Increase

- Committee members support the fee increase, but would like to see improved services at the Event Site.
- Restroom capabilities are substandard.
- Would like to see restrooms stay open through September.
- Would also like to see more frequent trash removal at Event Site during high-season.
- Concern raised that people may park on street if raise daily parking fee.

Event Fees – Proposed Increase

- Greg Stiegel raised concern that event fee increase will have negative impact on weather dependent and fundraising events.
- Rich McBride stated that exclusive use events need to cover the cost of losing parking for the day as well as provide revenue for the Port.
- Doug Archbald believes the opportunity cost of closing the Event Site is more than \$900.
- Sam Bauer supports increase, but feels services need to be improved.

The March 14, 2013 meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Prepared by Liz Whitmore, 3/15/2013