

**WELLINGTON HILLS COUNTY PARK  
Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes #8  
June 15, 2012**

**Bruce Dees & Associates  
Job No. 10-21-01**

**PRESENT (P)**

**Ad Hoc Committee**

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| (P) Alan MacDonald, Northshore Youth Lacrosse  | (P) Tom Teigen Snohomish County Parks              |
| ( ) Dave Shipway, Northshore Youth Soccer  | (P) James Yap, Snohomish County Parks              |
| (P) Joey Wyrick, Northshore Youth Soccer   | (P) Russ Bosanko, Snohomish County Parks           |
| (P) Tom Campbell, NYSA / FC Alliance   | ( ) Hal Gausman, Snohomish County Parks            |
| (P) Rich Leahy, City of Woodinville  | (P) Dianne Bailey, Snohomish County Parks          |
| ( ) Mike Surber, Neighbor  | (P) Steve Dickson, Snohomish County Public Works   |
| ( ) Lori Belanger, Neighbor  | (P) Tammy Dunn, Snohomish County Sports Commission |
| (P) Mike Bailey, Neighbor  |  |
| ( ) Mike Hoiland, Neighbor   |  |
| ( ) Corey Walker, Neighbor   |  |
| (P) Sean Curran, NW Indoor MTB Parks   |  |
| (P) Paula Townsell, Brent Planning Solutions (Consultant for Northshore School District) |  |

**Others**

- (P) Geoff Thomas, County Council
- (P) Rich Huebner, Sno. County Sports Commission
- ( ) Bob Leonard, Snohomish County Maintenance
- ( ) Tom Pearce, Running Interest
- (P) Ted Pankowski

**Consultants**

- (P) Bruce Dees, Bruce Dees & Associates
- (P) Brian Patnode, Bruce Dees & Associates
- ( ) Derrick Eberle, Bruce Dees & Associates
- (P) Edward Koltonowski, Gibson Traffic Consultants

**PURPOSE OF THE MEETING**

To review the preliminary plan.

**DISCUSSION**

Bruce reviewed the project process and schedule, previous meeting minutes, and presented the refined alternative plan.

**COMMENTS ON PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

None.

**ADDITIONAL NEEDS & CONCERNS**

None.

**PRESENTATION OF PRELIMINARY PLAN**

Bruce presented and pointed out that field #3 was re-oriented east/west to maximize the buffer on the south and the children's play area was added between the tree line and field #4. Parking was moved out of the trees and the nature playground and three shelters added. Parking is still over 700. A grading plan had been developed and now the plan shows the existing trees to be retained. Bruce pointed out that the large Maple by the existing pro shop will be retained and become the focal point for the entry drive and turn around. An off leash area is shown near the north side parking lot.

Bruce noted that a rail fence on either side of 240<sup>th</sup> and also along the west side of 71<sup>st</sup> is the only fencing proposed. The rationale is to provide a pastoral site character and control vehicle access with gates at entry/egress points to precluded access when the park is closed.

## **COMMENTS ON THE PLAN**

### *Off Leash Area*

- Tom is still negotiating with the property owner to the east for potential acquisition for the dog park. Another location for the dog park was suggested at the east end of the community use area just west of 71<sup>st</sup>.

### *Fencing*

- In general, the idea of a rural white rail fence is agreeable.

### *Children's Play Area*

- The play area adjacent to field #4 should be considered adjacent to the parking lot. There is some concern that errant soccer balls could be a hazard for the play area in location currently shown. Other comments indicated that having the play area near the soccer fields, within line of sight for parents, on the other hand, may be desirable.

### *Picnic Shelters*

- Russ would like to see the center shelter moved to the side.
- Consider Shade Sails for tournament shelters near the fields.

### *Expanded Pond*

- Tom noted that planting around the pond may be needed for mitigation that access to the pond should be carefully reviewed.

### *Ball Field and Field #2 Overlap*

- Alan noted ball field #2 should be re-oriented to avoid overlap onto field #3.

### *Community Grass Fields*

- With 700 paved stalls, it was agreed that overflow parking on the grass fields is not needed.

### *Trail*

- Include picnic tables and benches but not in remote areas.
- Consider trail surface for cross county events.

### *Signs*

- Consider QR Code signs and interpretative information about the farming history of the site.

### *Wall*

- If the east property is acquired consider deleting the adjacent wall and slope the ground instead of the wall.

### *Walk Surface Around Fields*

- Consider a non-slip surface adjacent to field safe zones.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 22, 2012 at 10:00 AM at the Snohomish County Parks office.

Tom, James and Bruce will be making a presentation to the neighborhood at the Golf Course Club House on Wednesday, June 20, 2012.

Tom will be presenting the master plan to the County Council on June 25, 2012.

The plan will be presented to the public on June 26, 2012.

The plan will be presented to the Park Board on July 10, 2012 as originally scheduled.

*These are the minutes, as we understand them. If there are any additions or corrections, please contact Bruce Dees & Associates immediately.*