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INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE FOR OUTDOOR RECREATION

Hyatt House - Seattle, Washington

Tuesday, February 2, 1965 - 4 p.m.

Marvin B. Durning, Chairman

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Durning; Charles H. Cdegaard, Director Parks and Recreation Commission; Bert Cole, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources; Judson Wonderly, Acting Director, Department of Commerce & Economic Development; John Biggs, Director, Department of Game; George C. Starlund, Director, Department of Fisheries; Jack Hilson, Thomas C. Wimmer, Keith Campbell, and George F. Prescott, Administrator.

REPRESENTING MEMBER AGENCIES

Norman P. Knott, Chief of Land Management Division, Department of Game; Willa Mylroie, Research Engineer, Department of Highways; Rosemary Horwood, State Planner, Department of Commerce & Economic Development.

REPRESENTING OTHER AGENCIES

Fred J. Cverly, Northwest Regional Director, Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation.

GUESTS

Jack Rottler and Frank B. Duester, both of Northwest Marine Industries, Inc., Seattle.

Chairman Durning opened the meeting at 4 p.m., welcomed the guests and then began discussion of items on the agenda.

Progress Report on Budget, Personnel, Office and Application for Travel Expenses. George Prescott, Administrator, reported on the budget upon which the committee will operate between February 1, 1965 and June 30, 1965, a copy of which is attached; said that he hopes that an office can be located at 1018 East Union Avenue, Olympia; and explained to citizen members the travel report forms. Mr. Prescott explained that this budget was to be financed from the funds provided to the Interagency Committee, totaling \$14,000, granted to the committee by Governor Rosellini from the Emergency Fund.

The proposed budget was discussed and Mr. Biggs asked that provision be made for attorney general services.

Report on Budget Hearing. Chairman Durning reported that he was requested to appear before the Appropriations Subcommittee of the Senate Ways and Means Committee in

Olympia, Tuesday, February 2, regarding the proposed budget for the Interagency Committee for the biennium July 1, 1965 - June 30, 1967. He, Mr. Wimmer and Mr. Prescott attended the hearing. Copies of the budget request by Governor Rosellini, \$79,740 for the biennium, which was also requested by Governor Evans, were distributed to Interagency Committee members. Copies of this budget request are attached.

Mr. Durning reported that comments were made on the budget by Senator Frank Foley, Chairman of the Senate Ways and Means Committee and by Senator Fred Dore, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Appropriations. Senator Foley questioned the need for the Interagency Committee and asked whether its work could be done by one of the agencies presently represented on the Committee. Mr. Durning reported he said he did not think any one agency could carry out this role.

Senator Dore asked whether the long-range plans of the Committee were to finance its operations from the General Fund, or from its own earmarked revenues. Mr. Durning explained that the Committee had only recently been formed and had not had an opportunity to take up the subject, but pointed out that the marine gas tax funds and the bond monies are not presently lawfully available to pay Committee expenses. Senator Dore suggested that a letter be sent to him explaining the opinion of the Committee on this subject. The Committee asked Mr. Durning to write such a letter explaining that it would look into the matter carefully, as quickly as possible, but might not be able to have a recommendation to this Legislature.

The Committee also asked the Chairman to invite Governor Evans to one of the early meetings of the Committee.

Legislation. Mr. Bert Cole presented a proposed draft of legislation authorizing the Departments of Natural Resources, Fisheries, Game, and Highways to develop, operate and acquire outdoor recreation areas. (Copy attached.) Mr. Biggs said he believed the Department of Game already has such authority. Mrs. Mylroie of the Department of Highways, expressed caution about the degree of involvement of the Department of Highways in providing public outdoor recreation areas. Mr. Starlund, Director of Fisheries, believed Mr. Cole's proposed legislation to be useful.

Mr. Odegaard, Director of Parks and Recreation Commission, raised a number of questions about the proposal and the future roles of the various agencies. Mr. Campbell and Mr. Hilson asked further time in which to consider the matter. In view of the urgency of the time schedule of the Legislature, Mr. Cole withdrew his request for Committee endorsement of the legislation, and said he would proceed as a departmental request.

Progress of State Outdoor Recreation Plan. Charles Odegaard, Director of Parks and Recreation Commission, briefly reviewed the background of the state activity to prepare a comprehensive outdoor recreation plan. The planning is being financed through assistance of the Federal HHFA with a "701 Planning Grant". The Department of Commerce and Economic Development has contracted with the Parks and Recreation Commission to coordinate the development of this initial plan. Work has been underway for some time. The contract calls for completion in early December, 1965.

Liason With Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation. Mr. Odegaard read correspondence in which Governor Rosellini had designated the Interagency Committee as the state's official agency for liason with the Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, and had designated Mr. Odegaard as the state's official contact person for this function. He suggested that this be clarified in view of the appointment of the Committee and its hiring of an Administrator. It was moved by Mr. Odegaard, seconded by Mr. Cole, and approved unanimously, that the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation be notified by the Chairman that the Committee has been appointed, and that its Administrator, Mr. Prescott, be designated as official contact person.

The Committee adjourned for dinner and reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

Report on Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation. Mr. Fred Overly, Northwest Regional Director of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation explained the major features of the federal Land and Water Conservation Act. States are to receive 60% of the total funds on a matching basis. Federal agencies are to use the remaining 40%. Mr. Overly estimated that Washington's share for the federal fiscal year July 1, 1965 - June 30, 1966 will be \$450,000, if the President's budget request is approved by Congress. In later years, Washington's share may be about \$2 million annually. Mr. Overly stressed the state must have a complete and comprehensive program of planning for outdoor recreation to be eligible for funds, and that funds will be available for planning purposes. Currently, Mr. Overly said, the Departments of Commerce and Economic Development and Parks and Recreation are developing a statewide recreation plan with "701" funds, as part of the overall statewide plan administered by the Department of Commerce.

Availability of Funds. Mr. Durning reviewed briefly the provisions of Initiative 215 and Referendum 11. He reported that the original projection for sale of the outdoor recreation bonds indicated \$3 million to be sold in 1965, \$3 million in 1967, and \$4 million in 1969. Mr. Prescott reported that the State Finance Committee had just held a bond sale and preferred not to do another for at least ninety days, and that the State Finance Committee would probably have its next sale in August or September, at the earliest. Mr. Durning reported that before there will be any funds from Initiative 215, the Director of Licenses must conduct a study to determine the amount of marine gas taxes and hold hearings on the findings. The Director of Licenses has not yet contracted with a consultant to do the study, and it seems clear that it will be a minimum of six to nine months before any unreclaimed marine gas tax funds could be available to the Committee.

Suggestions: Mr. Campbell asked that an organizational chart showing the relationship of the Committee and agencies be developed; Mr. Cole expressed hope that monthly newsletters telling of Committee progress be started as soon as possible; Mr. Durning asked that copies of the so-called "green book" be distributed to all members; Mr. Biggs said it would be well to ask Attorney General John J. O'Connell to assign an assistant attorney general to work with the Administrator when needed.

Next Meeting. It was determined that the Committee would meet approximately every two weeks for a few months; and that the next meeting would be at 9 a.m., Saturday, February 20, in Olympia, at a location to be announced.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. PRESCOTT  
Administrator

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APPROVED:

  
Marvin B. Durning  
Chairman

Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation

Operating requirements Feb. 1, 1965 - June 30, 1965

<u>Object of Expenditure</u>		<u>Amount</u>
01 Salaries and Wages		\$7,831
Administrator @ \$1200 mo.	\$6,000	
Secretary II @ \$407 mo.	<u>1,831</u>	
03 Other Contractual Services		1,625
01 Printing	150	
02 Telephone & Telegraph	300	
03 Postage & Freight	100	
04 Office Rental	775	
05 Miscellaneous	<u>300</u>	
04 Travel		1,750
Staff average @ \$200 mo.	1,000	
Committee average @ \$150 mo.	<u>750</u>	
05 Supplies & Materials		450
01 General office supplies		
Initial Stock @ \$200	200	
Monthly average @ \$50	<u>250</u>	
06 Equipment		1,600
01 Office furniture and equipment		
07 Retirement & Pensions		744
01 Employees retirement @ 6%	482	
02 O.A.S.I. @ 3.625	248	
03 Medical aid	<u>14</u>	
Total		<u>\$14,000</u>

1 AN ACT Relating to the department of natural resources, the depart-  
2 ment of fisheries, the department of game, and the department  
3 of highways, and authorizing the development, operation, and  
4 acquisition of public outdoor recreation areas and partici-  
5 pation in public outdoor recreation funding measures.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

7 NEW SECTION. Section 1. The department of natural resources,  
8 the department of fisheries, the department of game, and the depart-  
9 ment of highways are authorized:

10 (1) To construct, operate and maintain public outdoor recre-  
11 ation facilities on lands under their respective jurisdiction when  
12 deemed necessary to achieve maximum effective development of such  
13 lands and resources consistent with the purposes for which the lands  
14 are held.

15 (2) To acquire lands by gift, purchase and exchange and to  
16 develop public access to lands under the jurisdiction of the respec-  
17 tive departments which are suitable for public outdoor recreation.

18 (3) To receive and expend funds from federal and state out-  
19 door recreation funding measures for the purpose of this act.

20 (4) To enter into contractual agreements with any state agen-  
21 cy or public body, owning, controlling or holding in trust any lands, for  
22 the construction, operation, and maintenance of public outdoor  
23 recreational facilities and programs on such lands or lands hereafter ac-  
24 quired.

25 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2 Nothing in this act shall be construed  
26 as affecting the jurisdiction or responsibility of any other state  
27 or local governmental agency.

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issue of 10 million dollars in general obligation bonds, are to be used solely for land acquisition. The bonds are to be sold between April 17, 1963 and January 1, 1970, and are payable from proceeds of one-half of corporation fees collected under Chapter 70, Laws of 1937, as amended. The bonds and interest are a prior and exclusive claim

on those proceeds subject only to amounts previously pledged for other bond retirement and interest. Owners of world fair bonds must approve the sale of outdoor recreation bonds.

Operating funds for a small staff are requested from the General Fund to expedite the work of the Committee.

**FUND SUMMARY—OPERATING**

1963-65 Appropriations		Appropriated Funds	EXPENDITURES		
Amount	Estimated Bal.		1961-63 Actual	1963-65 Estimate	1965-67 Proposed
.....	.....	General Fund .....	.....	.....	79,740

**FUND SUMMARY—CAPITAL**

1963-65 Appropriations		Appropriated Funds	EXPENDITURES		
Amount	Estimated Bal.		1961-63 Actual	1963-65 Estimate	1965-67 Proposed
		General Fund—Outdoor			
		Recreation Account			
1,300,000	1,300,000	State Agencies' Share of Marine			
		Fuel Tax Refunds.....			1,300,000
1,000,000	1,000,000	State Agencies' Share of Bond			
		Proceeds .....			1,000,000
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2,300,000	2,300,000	Sub-total State Agencies' Share ....			2,300,000
1,300,000	1,300,000	Other Agencies' Share of Marine			
		Fuel Tax Refunds.....			1,300,000
1,000,000	1,000,000	Other Agencies' Share of Bond			
		Proceeds .....			1,000,000
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2,300,000	2,300,000	Sub-total Other Agencies' Share ...			2,300,000
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4,600,000	4,600,000	Total, Appropriated Funds .....			4,600,000

*Program Employment*

	1962-63 Actual	1963-64 Actual	1964-65 Estimate	1965-66 Proposed	1966-67 Proposed
Man Years .....	.....	.....	.....	3.0	3.0
Average Man-Year Cost .....	.....	.....	.....	6,273	6,273

*Expenditure Detail*

Salaries and Wages .....	.....	.....	.....	18,820	18,820
Contract Personal Services.....	.....	.....	.....	13,000	12,500
Other Contractual Services .....	.....	.....	.....	1,200	1,200
Travel .....	.....	.....	.....	4,300	4,300
Supplies and Materials .....	.....	.....	.....	750	250
Equipment .....	.....	.....	.....	1,600	.....
Retirement and Benefits .....	.....	.....	.....	1,200	1,800
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ANNUAL TOTAL .....	.....	.....	.....	40,870	38,870
BIENNIUM TOTAL .....	.....	.....	.....		79,740

*Source of Funds—General Fund*