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From: eott@vashonparkdistrict.org
Sent: Friday, May 03, 2013 5:13 PM
To: Joe Wald; David Hackett; Bill Ameling; John Hopkins; Lu-Ann Branch
Subject: Water Permit Showdown

Commissioners,

You probably are all aware of the current crossroads we are at with the School District surrounding the water permit for VES (perhaps not Bill, since he is out of town). Bob Hennessey has refused to sign the assignment allowing us to apply for the permit, so we can not water until he does so. Our agreement with the Department of Ecology was that they would allow us to water as long as the permit application was in process (postmarked today/emailed copy to DOE). Jason and Mike are deeply concerned about the condition of the grass as it is, and a warm weekend with no water could potentially cause damage. Too, we have a rented generator sitting unused.

I have discussed this with Michael Soltman, and he was unable to get Bob to budge. My understanding of Bob's position is that he wants written statements from all five Park District Commissioners agreeing to the \$100,000 payment surrounding the Commons.

It seems that David Hackett and Bob Hennessey will be speaking this evening, so perhaps this will be resolved shortly. If not, I wanted all commissioners to be updated on this matter. Too, I might suggest that we call a public meeting Tuesday evening with the school board and hash out the Commons Agreement. Letting the fields brown until the agreement is solved could be disastrous.

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