

Bainbridge Parks Says "No" to More Tennis Courts at Battle Point Park

In a September 2010 board meeting the Bainbridge Parks Board voted on BCTA's proposal to provide \$93,600 for two new courts at Battle Point Park. The vote was four to one. Kirk Robinson, Lee Cross, Ken DeWitt and Tom Swolgaard voted "No." Paul Bang-Knudsen voted "Yes."

The decision was tied to a vote taken minutes earlier to not alter the area around the maintenance yard for at least five years.

Paul Bang-Knudsen objected, pointing out that the Park Board was not only taking away the public's right to use the area of the maintenance yard (see box to right) but was in affect extending that area to cover the entire activity center of the park.

BCTA has no plans at this time to resubmit their offer while the current board sits. Kirk Robinson's seat is up for reelection this fall.

Battle Point Park Master Plan

Public Input Meetings

In December of 2009 BIMPRD held public meetings for Islanders to have a say in shaping the future of BPP.

Top of the list of attendee's wishes was moving the maintenance yard from the entrance of BPP and reopening the drive to the west side of the park.

BIMPRD fired the employee who organized the outreach meetings and decided to put a new roof on the maintenance building. They have no plans to reopen the drive.