

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE PALATINE PARK DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD IN THE PALATINE TOWNSHIP SENIOR CENTER, IN SAID DISTRICT, AT 505 S. QUENTIN ROAD, PALATINE, ILLINOIS ON DECEMBER 5, 2006 AT 7:30 P.M.

These Minutes are not a verbatim record of what was said during the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER @ 7:30P.M.

Commissioners Present

John Cozza, President
Robert Schultz, Vice President
Andrew McPherson, Treasurer

Jennifer Rogers
Susan Gould

Staff Present

Ron Gbur, Executive Director
Debbie Smith, Supt. of Finance & Personnel
Pat Moser, Supt. of Parks & Planning
Keith Williams, Supt. of Recreation

Dan Hotchkin, Head Golf Professional
Tina Becke, Asst. Supt. of Finance
Donelda Danz, Asst. Supt. of Recreation
Bonnie Bennett, Secretary

Citizens and Guests

Bob Alexander, PGHA

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner McPherson seconded, that the Board approve the meeting's Agenda. Gbur said that Executive Session is no longer needed and has been removed. Upon a voice vote, the Agenda for the regular meeting of December 5, 2006 was approved as amended.

AYE: Susan Gould, Jennifer Rogers, Andrew McPherson, Robert Schultz, John Cozza

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner McPherson moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 28, 2006. Upon a voice vote, the minutes of the prior meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

AYE: Susan Gould, Jennifer Rogers, Andrew McPherson, Robert Schultz, John Cozza

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Finance and Personnel Department Report. Smith highlighted that due to the snow storm, the lottery deadline was moved to Saturday; the lottery, our first processed using the updated AEK Version 5, was done today and went off without a hitch.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Recreation Department Report. Williams thanked President Cozza and Commissioner Gould for attending the Part-time Staff/Volunteer Party; President Cozza made a nice speech. The *Turkey Trot* was great with record attendance. President Cozza agreed, saying the attendance of almost 1,500 was unbelievable; staff did a great job.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed 2006 Summer Program Evaluation Report. Williams stated that Danz had compiled the report. Items highlighted were the Fitness Program, which is going very well and receiving lots of positive comments, Kudos to Coordinator DePirro, and the *Puppy Paddle* which the Illinois Department of Health has been banned, however a coalition of several park districts plan to petition IDOH for a ruling change stating that their reasoning is invalid. Suggestions were made to approach State representatives for help with this matter, and to ask IDOH to lay out conditions that would make the event acceptable; it is a very popular with residents.

Williams said that Palatine Opportunity Center had a good summer; a new program *ICompete*, a collaborative partnership between the Park District, the Park Foundation, the Buhler YMCA, Palatine High School, District 15 and Northwest Community Healthcare, has grown and will continue; POC will attend the next meeting to present their annual report. Regarding participants' requests for year-round swimming lessons, Danz responded that is a common request, especially from parents of 5 and 6-year olds; Harper College and Buhler Y have good winter programs. Commissioner Gould commented that *ICompete* was a really good idea; what about parent involvement. Williams responded that parents are becoming involved as they become more familiar with the POC. Responding to President Cozza, Danz said that 'extended camp' (before and after care) is separate from Day Camp – those numbers are down, Day Camp continues to be near capacity.

Responding to President Cozza, Gbur said that there were no more Departmental Reports.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

President Cozza noted no one wished to address the Board at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business to come before the Board at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the 2006 Tax Levy. Commissioner McPherson moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board of Park

Commissioners adopt Ordinance #06-12 assessing and levying taxes for the 2006 tax year. There was no discussion. President Cozza requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

AYE: Susan Gould, Jennifer Rogers, Andrew McPherson, Robert Schultz, John Cozza

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the abatement of taxes. Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner McPherson seconded, that the Board adopt Ordinance #06-13 abating taxes levied for the Aquatic Complex, 1998 General Obligation Bond Issue. There was no discussion. President Cozza requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

AYE: Susan Gould, Jennifer Rogers, Andrew McPherson, Robert Schultz, John Cozza

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a Board Summary pertaining to the previously reviewed 2007 Budget, excluding Golf Course and Stables. Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner McPherson seconded, that Calendar Year 2007 Budget be approved as presented on November 28, 2006 with the revisions made as recommended by the Board at that time to reflect the approved targeted tax rate of 45¢. President Cozza requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

AYE: Susan Gould, Jennifer Rogers, Andrew McPherson, Robert Schultz, John Cozza

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to bids for electrical work along Palatine Hills Drive. Commissioner Rogers moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board reject all bids for the Palatine Hills Drive Electrical project and carry over these funds to the budget of 2008. Responding to questions and comments, Moser said that staff doesn't expect it to be less in the spring but it is way over budget and we need to find more funds; the contractor said the project could be reduced \$10-15,000 with some material adjustments; if the driveway bids come in \$30,000 less than estimated, monies could come from there; there is some risk in waiting as construction costs are starting to really increase; the District can put an addendum to the Driveway Replacement contract to put in conduit across creek; probably will cost more to delay, but skittish about doing it in bad weather. Commissioner McPherson said that as the driveway replacement bids are being opened next week and reviewed by the Board at the next meeting, he moved that this item of business be tabled until the next meeting; Commissioner Gould seconded the motion. President Cozza requested a roll call vote on the motion to table this item, the result of which follows.

AYE: Susan Gould, Jennifer Rogers, Andrew McPherson, Robert Schultz, John Cozza

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed list of bills. Commissioner Rogers moved that Warrant #23, in the amount of \$71,964.80, be approved and released for payment. Commissioner Schultz seconded the motion. Staff responded to questions pertaining to credit card charges for windshield replacement and vehicle parts. President Cozza requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

AYE: Susan Gould, Jennifer Rogers, Andrew McPherson, Robert Schultz, John Cozza

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Gbur said there was no more new business.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Executive Director's Report. Gbur highlighted a proposed winter Board Tour suggesting the dates February 3, 10 or 17; he requested commissioners look at their calendars and get back to him.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Gould complimented staff on the Holiday Party; she had a good time and won the Trivia contest.

Commissioner McPherson and President Cozza also expressed their appreciation of staff's efforts on the Holiday Party.

President Cozza requested Future Agenda Items; there were none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board on this date, Commissioner McPherson moved that the meeting be adjourned; Commissioner Gould seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by a voice vote at 7:52 p.m.

AYE: Susan Gould, Jennifer Rogers, Andrew McPherson, Robert Schultz, John Cozza

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

