

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 JANUARY 12, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.

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

CALL TO ORDER @ 7:00P.M.

Commissioners Present

Andrew McPherson, President
Susan Gould, Vice President
Jennifer Rogers, Treasurer

John Cozza
Nicholas Sawyer

Staff Present

Ron Gbur, Executive Director
Debbie Smith, Supt. of Finance & Personnel
Pat Moser, Supt. of Parks & Planning
Raul Zaldivar, Supt. of Revenue Facilities

Pam Stoltz, Recreation Manager
Tina Becke, Asst. Supt. of Finance
Jill Kernan, Recreation Coordinator
Bonnie Bennett, Secretary

Citizens and Guests

Bob Alexander, resident/PHGA
Jill Rusten, BSA
Rob Fisk, BSA

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Gould moved and Commissioner Rogers seconded, that the agenda be approved. Director Gbur said that item B under New Business should also include Change Order #2. By a voice vote, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of January 12, 2010 was unanimously approved as amended.

AYE: Nicholas Sawyer, John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner Cozza seconded, that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 15, 2009. By a voice vote, the minutes of the prior meeting were approved as submitted.

AYE: Nicholas Sawyer, John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Finance and Personnel Department Report. Superintendent Smith said that over 400 baseball registrations have been received in the last few days; PYB/S has extended its early-bird discount deadline. Responding to a question, Director Gbur said that a new Swim Team Head Coach/Coordinator has not been hired; an interim coach is in place.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Recreation Department Report. Director Gbur reported that Superintendent Williams was ill and Assistant Superintendent Danz had knee surgery that afternoon; Recreation Manager Stoltz was present to cover for that Department. There were no questions; however, Commissioner Cozza commented that the Rec Department did a great job with programming at Falcon Park.

President McPherson noted there were no other Departmental Reports.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

President McPherson noted there was no unfinished business to be addressed at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to bids for the 2009/2010/2011 audits. Commissioner Rogers moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners accept the proposal from Selden Fox, Ltd. To perform the annual audits for fiscal years 2009, 2010, and 2011 at a cost of \$11,900, \$12,375, and \$12,000 respectively. It was commented that Selden Fox was well known, and it is good to have a change sometimes. Superintendent Smith said the company received good references. President McPherson requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

AYE: Nicholas Sawyer, John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to 2010 Program T-shirt bids. Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner Cozza seconded that the Board of Park Commissioners award the 2010 Program T-shirt bid to Sunburst Sportswear of Glendale Heights, IL and direct staff to issue a purchase order to Sunburst Sportswear in the amount of \$31,699.16. Responding to a question, Recreation Coordinator Kernan gave a detailed explanation of how the bid is broken down stating that

although labor intensive for both the vendors and staff, it expedites an accurate allocation of the t-shirts costs to the various programs; first delivery is at the end of February. President McPherson requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

AYE: John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould, Nicholas Sawyer, Andrew McPherson

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to change orders for the Cutting Hall painting project. Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner Rogers seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners approve Change Orders #1 and #2 at a total cost of \$3,200. President McPherson requested a roll call vote on the motion, the result of which follows:

AYE: Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould, Nicholas Sawyer, John Cozza, Andrew McPherson

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to acceptance of donated property. Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner Rogers seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners adopt Resolution #10-01 approving acceptance of a donation of real property from Fidelity Wes Hilltop LLC, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions. Responding to a question, Superintendent Moser said that the parcel located off Lake-Cook Road, west of Rand, is 0.3 acres, big enough to build a playground; the Board visited it last year on a Board Tour. President McPherson requested a roll call vote on the motion, the result of which follows:

AYE: Susan Gould, Nicholas Sawyer, John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers, Andrew McPherson

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to acceptance of donated property. Commissioner Rogers moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners adopt Resolution #10-02 approving acceptance of a donation of real property from Toby and Cornelia Johnson, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions. Superintendent Moser explained this was a small triangular piece of land abutting Locust Park; the donor feels squaring off both property lines will better present his property when he chooses to sell. President McPherson requested a roll call vote on the motion, the result of which follows:

AYE: Nicholas Sawyer, John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the Cook County Quentin Road Project. President McPherson noted that this item, requested by Commissioner Cozza, was for discussion purposes at this time. Commissioner Cozza stated that he would like to propose that the Park District adopt a Resolution “supporting Cook County Highway’s plan to widen Quentin Road to make the road a safe and more usable road for both vehicles and bicycles; also we highly endorse Cook County’s efforts to construct an equestrian/pedestrian tunnel under Quentin Road and their efforts to extend the bicycle trail to the Lake-Cook/Quentin Road intersection”; he said that the Park District supported the project in 2002 by sending a resolution asking them to provide easier and safer passage for bicycle traffic; specifically he now endorses a 4-lane plan with turn lane alternative for safety. Continuing, he said that the Forest Preserve District has done extensive environmental studies and has received land use mitigated by property used for the extension of a runway at O’Hare. There ensued lengthy discussion among commissioners who feel it is not in the Park Districts realm to tell CC Highway Dept. how to do its job; endorsing a bicycle/pedestrian trail or lane should be our only input; it was also commented that Cook County has probably already made a decision regarding the width of the road; some of our constituents in Dunhaven Woods and the surrounds neighborhoods may not want Cook County to take another 24’ of Forest Preserve land and trees to make a 4-lane highway; in addition to a possible tunnel, the parking lot at Camp Reinberg would also be improved. It was recommended that Commissioner Cozza work with Director Gbur and Superintendent Moser to compose a letter to be sent to Gregg Goslin and Cook County Highways saying that we would like to encourage access for bicycles and pedestrians.

Director Gbur left the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed list of bills. Commissioner Rogers moved that Warrant #24A, in the amount of \$559,644.36, be approved and released for payment. Commissioner Gould seconded the motion. No questions were presented. President McPherson requested a roll call vote on the motion.

AYE: John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould, Nicholas Sawyer, Andrew McPherson

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed list of bills. Commissioner Rogers moved that Warrant #1, in the amount of \$498,689.33, be approved and released for payment. Commissioner Cozza seconded the motion. Staff responded to a question pertaining to the removal of muskrats at Cardinal Park saying that they do a lot of damage burrowing into the berm. President McPherson requested a roll call vote on the motion.

AYE: Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould, Nicholas Sawyer, John Cozza, Andrew McPherson

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

President McPherson noted there was no more new business to be addressed at this time.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Executive Director's Report. In Director Gbur's absence, Superintendent Moser asked which commissioners would be attending the IAPD/Legislative Luncheon at the State Conference, Representative Bassi would be sitting at their table; all the commissioners responded they would attend.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Sawyer referenced former Commissioner Schultz' email saying that it was well written and well done; pleased his name was placed on the plaque.

Commissioners Rogers and Gould said that they, with a guest, would attend the PTSCC Gala; Commissioners Rogers, Gould, Sawyer and Cozza (2) plan to attend the Volunteer of the Year luncheon. Only Commissioner Rogers will attend the SLSF Special Olympics Fashion Show.

Commissioner Rogers said that the Grand Opening was good, but it is time now to focus on future projects.

Commissioner Gould complimented staff on the Falcon Park Grand Opening; she heard a lot of compliments, it was a lot of fun and went really well.

Commissioner Cozza said that it was a great feeling to have Falcon Park open; there isn't an extra inch of space in the building; architect Andy Dogan stated that it was the most efficient building he has worked on.

President McPherson thanked staff for "making us look good", but it is now time to move on.

President McPherson requested for Future Agenda items, there were none presented.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board on this date, Commissioner Gould moved that the regular meeting be adjourned; Commissioner Rogers seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by a voice vote at 7:32 p.m.

AYE: Nicholas Sawyer, John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie M. Bennett, Secretary

ATTEST:

/s/ Bonnie M. Bennett

Secretary

Next scheduled Park Board meetings:

January 26, 2010
February 9, 2010
February 23, 2010

APPROVED:

/s/ Andrew S. McPherson

President