

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 MARCH 9, 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
Donelda Danz, Asst. Supt. of Recreation

Raul Zaldivar, Supt. of Revenue Facilities
Tina Becke, Asst. Supt. of Finance
Pam Stoltz, Recreation Manager
Bonnie Bennett, Secretary

Citizens and Guests

John McGovern, Rec. Accessibility Consultants
Bob Alexander, resident/PHGA
Lori White, PCSC

Terry Ellis, PCSC
Jim Burke, PCSC

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Gould moved and Commissioner Rogers seconded, that the agenda for the meeting be approved. Director Gbur requested an Executive Session be added for the discussion of purchase of real property for the use of the District, Section 2(c)(5) of the OMA. By a voice vote, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of March 9, 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 Rogers seconded, that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 23, 2010. 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. Commissioner Gould said that she read that Palatine North LL has been losing registration; have we picked up some? Director Gbur said that some of them may have come to PYB; Little League may be fading away. President McPherson suggest that we may want to discuss making an easy transitioning into our program, or possibly scheduling some games with our teams; probably don't have enough kids to do a 'house' schedule. Director Gbur said that he will talk with PYB about possibly setting up something.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Recreation Department Report. Assistant Superintendent Danz has nothing to highlight, but Commissioner Gould commented that with Pre-school 96% full, we may get to capacity. President McPherson asked if the Volleyball Tournaments being held at Falcon are a local club. Staff responded that it was George Sherman's group who also played in Schaumburg, i.e. boys play in Schaumburg and the girls play in Palatine; Asst. Supt. Danz has had some calls about volleyball; just started programs for 3rd/4th grade girls and 5th/6th grade girls, and have had requests to do a summer program; it's nice that we now have the place to do it.

Director Gbur informed the Board that Superintendent Williams had been in the office on Monday for a few hours – thinks he overdid it; hoping to come in two – threes hours a day and build up to a full day. Commissioner Cozza said that Fremd and Palatine High Schools did great downstate in Flags and Poms; a lot of the kids started out in Park District programs.

President McPherson noted there were no other Departmental Reports.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

President McPherson noted that 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 an ADA Transition Plan. Commissioner Rogers moved that the Board of Park Commissioners accept the proposal from Recreation Accessibility Consultants, LLC in the amount of \$37,107 to complete an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Audit of Park District facilities. Commissioner Gould seconded the motion. Commissioner Cozza commented about the expense of this type of unfinanced mandated laws – starting with \$37,000 just for audit; what can we expect to spend. Mr. McGovern said that this is the result of the filing of lack of accommodations lawsuits with the Dept. of Justice over the past couple of years; however, those Park Districts like Palatine which are already pretty much up to code, has to abide by the new standards/conditions of the law; first we will fully inspected and analyzed each site, documenting everything; some of the items that may be found could be as small as signage being placed too high on a wall or as major as field

accessibility; at the end of the Palatine Park District will receive a copy of the evaluation and then you will be required to prioritize the items that need to be accomplished; this is a self-assessment that needs to be kept up-to-date as it can be examined at any time and needs to show that items are being phased in; when you have a multi-field complex, not all sports fields have to be accessible, and a park district should have at least 1/3 of their parks accessible; standards can only get more stringent, but if the park district is found to be acting in good faith (transitioning over a 3-year period) it will be protected. 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

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the purchase of Golf Course equipment. Commissioner Cozza moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded that the Board of Park Commissioners direct staff to issue a purchase order, in the amount of \$34,441.75, to Reinders, Inc. for the purchase of a Toro Reelmaster 5210 fairway mower. Directing the Board to the last paragraph, Superintendent Zaldivar said that equipment is purchased through Capital Projects funds, however due to budget restrictions we are only able to purchase one piece of equipment a year which is putting us behind in our rolling replacement schedule; staff is looking into the possibility of entering into a leasing program with Toro which allows us to spend current dollars over a four year period to own four pieces of equipment – Toro will be flexible – and today’s purchase could be applied to the program. Legal Counsel Holtz is looking into the program; once we have all the legal issues clear, we will bring it back to the Board for discussion. Equipment costs have increase substantially over the years, this might level or even decrease these costs. 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 Palatine Celtic Soccer Club’s request for Labor Day Tournament assistance. Commissioner Cozza moved, and Commissioner Sawyer seconded that the Board of Park Commissioners authorize the use of twenty-seven park/school fields, support for up to 350 teams, and field lighting per staff recommendation for the Palatine Celtic Soccer Labor Day Tournament being held Friday September 3 through Monday September 6, 2010 with the stipulations that no game begin before 8 a.m. at Ost and Hamilton Sports Fields, 7 a.m. at the remaining fields. In addition, lighting will remain the same as in past years: Celtic Park-11 p.m., Community Park-10:45 p.m., and Hamilton Sports Fields-9:30p.m. Staff will once again work with the tournament committee to adjust schedules, signage, parking, litter removal and staffing. Responding to a question, Lori White said that this was her 15th tournament, the Club’s 30th - working on some type of celebration; everything requested is the same as previous years; applications sent around April 15 and start coming in around June. By a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved as follows.

- AYE: Nicholas Sawyer, John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson
- NAY: None
- ABSENT: None

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to change orders for the Falcon Park Recreation Center. Commissioner Cozza moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners approve Change Orders #69 through #74 resulting in a credit in the amount of \$42,290.15. Superintendent Moser said there a few more will be coming. 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 list of bills. Commissioner Rogers moved that Warrant #5 in the amount of \$451,656.47, be approved and released for payment. Commissioner Gould seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments. President McPherson requested a roll call vote on the motion.

AYE: Susan Gould, Nicholas Sawyer, John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers, 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. Director Gbur highlighted changing the second April Board meeting date to Monday, April 26 as two commissioners and two staff would be in Springfield on Tuesday the 27th. The Board of Commissioners agreed to the change in date.

Director Gbur said that 125 applications were received for the Executive Assistant position; Trish Feid has accepted the position and will begin March 29; Ms. Feid, has been with the Park District since October 2005; currently she is the Falcon Park Office Manager after having worked in Registration for four years.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner sawyer said that it is great to see the Board backing the Labor Day Tournament; it is a very good thing for the community.

Commissioner Cozza said that he would not be at the March 23 meeting; he will be out-of-town.

President McPherson requested for Future Agenda items; none were put forth.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President McPherson requested a motion to close the public portion of the meeting and convene in executive session for the purpose of discussion of the purchase of real property for the benefit of the District, section 2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act. Commissioner Rogers so moved and Commissioner Cozza seconded the motion. 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 passed at 7:34 p.m.

The Board returned to regular session at 7:43 p.m. and President McPherson said that the Board met in Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of the purchase of real property for the benefit of the District but no action will be taken.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board on this date, Commissioner Gould moved that the regular meeting be adjourned; Commissioner Cozza seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by a voice vote at 7:44 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

APPROVED:

/s/ Andrew S. McPherson

President

Next scheduled Park Board meetings:

March 23, 2010
April 13, 2010
April 27, 2010