

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 APRIL 12, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M.

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

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Call To Order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present

Susan Gould, President  
Jennifer Rogers, Vice President  
Nicholas Sawyer, Treasurer  
John Cozza  
Andrew McPherson

Staff Present

Ron Gbur, Executive Director  
Debbie Smith, Supt. of Finance & Personnel  
Pat Moser, Supt. of Parks  
Keith Williams, Supt. of Recreation  
Raul Zaldivar, Supt. of Revenue Facilities  
Donelda Danz, Asst. Supt. of Recreation

Tina Becke, Asst. Supt. of Finance  
Pam Stoltz, Recreation Manager  
Kevin Romejko, Human Resource Manager  
Todd Ranum, Athletic Coordinator  
Trish Feid, Recording Secretary

Citizens and Guests

Bob Alexander, resident/PHGA  
Carol Reagan, PTSCC  
Michael Henning, resident  
Kathy Bauer, resident  
Beth Dietrich, resident

Cathy Paprocki, resident  
Bob Regal, resident  
Gerry Frech, resident  
Mary O'Brien, resident  
Brian Slupski, Palatine.Patch.com

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Cozza moved, and Commissioner Rogers seconded, that the agenda for the meeting be approved. Director Gbur asked that we move ahead the Public Hearing for the Bond Issuance to follow the approval of the agenda. By a voice vote, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of April 12, 2011 was unanimously approved as amended.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

At 7:01 o'clock p.m., the President announced that the next agenda item for the Board of Park Commissioners was a public hearing (the "*Hearing*") to receive public comments on the proposal to sell \$3,750,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) (the "*Bonds*"). President Gould opened the discussion of the Bond Issuance Notification Act hearing to receive any comments relative to the

District's proposal to sell an amount not to exceed \$3,750,000 in General Obligation (Alternate Revenue Source) Bonds. All persons desiring to be heard on this matter will have an opportunity to present written or oral testimony to the Board of Commissioners; President Gould explained that the proposed bonds are issued for the purpose of demolishing and reconstructing Eagle Pool, acquiring, constructing, equipping and installing related pool facilities and providing other park improvements. President Gould introduced Eric Anderson from BMO Capital Markets to provide an update to the Board regarding the bond sale process.

Mr. Anderson said that the Board has authorization to issue bonds not exceeding \$3,750,000, although this can be adjusted to a lesser amount as bids are received to determine the final borrowing number; the authority to issue the bonds lasts for four years while the hearing of the issuance of bonds ends at three years. The interest rate has continued to stabilize for several months, currently 3.40% for ten year financing and 3.90% for fifteen year financing. To review, Mr. Anderson said that the Family Aquatic Center (\$4.9M) retired over ten years as Birchwood (\$6M) has fifteen year financing; continuing, he explained the proposed cycle for the three pools with future reinvestments projections. The varying terms of the 10, 12, or 15 years equates to the decision of *annual* debt service being lower for longer terms as the *total* debt service is greater for the term; bonds retired over a shorter period have a lesser *total* at term's ending though greater *annual* debt. As bids are received, the determination of the retirement term with the consideration of capital funds to be used for the renovation will determine the total amount of bonds issued. Director Gbur stated that since the Falcon Park's project was under budget, some of the unreserved cash allocation can be considered to lower our overall issued amount. The conducting of our Moody's bond rating review during the last week of April will set-up the offering of bonds for sale to investors on May 23 then presenting the final bid result to the Board for acceptance at the May 24 Park Board Meeting. Replying to a resident's question regarding the prompt process in the fall of 2010 by Staff and the Board to complete the aquatic study and create a proposed aquatic renovation development plan, Supt. Moser responded that was due to the mandatory documents necessary with the PARC Grant application filing requirements, not in regard to the issuance of bonds. The PARC Grant opportunity was presented from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (DNR) with a short window of time to file; the announcement will be in May for those in receipt of the grant funds. President Gould thanked Eric Anderson for his presentation.

Whereupon the President asked for additional comments from the Park Commissioners; there was none. The President asked for oral testimony or any public comments or additional questions concerning the proposed issuance of the General Obligation (Alternate Revenue Source) Bonds; there was none. The President asked if any written or other correspondence regarding the proposed issuance Alternate Bonds was received and the Secretary responded that none had been received. President Gould stated that all persons desiring to be heard had been given an opportunity to present oral and written testimony with respect to the proposed issuance of the \$3,750,000 Alternate Bonds. President Gould asked to have a motion to adjourn the hearing.

Commissioner McPherson moved and Commissioner Cozza seconded the motion, that the Hearing be adjourned. As no discussion followed, President Gould directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Whereupon the President declared the motion carried and the Bond Issuance Notification Act hearing was adjourned.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner McPherson moved, and Commissioner Cozza seconded, that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 22, 2011. By a voice vote, the minutes of the prior meeting were approved as submitted.

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Finance and Personnel Department Report. Supt. Smith responded to Commissioner Rogers’s question that staff made phone calls in an effort to transfer participants from the wait list into another program; few participants remain on the wait list due to location preference.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Recreation Department Report. Supt. Williams had no comments regarding his monthly report,

President Gould noted there were no other Departmental Reports.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

President Gould asked if any one would like to address the Board; PHGA Bob Alexander said that he would like to inform the Board that the Golf Course had a good week with tee times and the Annual PHGA Smoker Party at the clubhouse. The annual event that kicks off the season collected many donations as a result the proceeds will fund many groups; Mr. Alexander gave acknowledgment to the golf staff for the great condition of the course. President Gould thanked Mr. Alexander.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to a funding request. Commissioner Rogers moved, and Commissioner McPherson seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners approve the funding request for the 2011 fiscal year by the Palatine Township Senior Citizens Council, and that staff disburse the first half of this year’s funds in the amount of \$83,490. Supt. Smith responded to Commissioner Cozza’s question that it was decided eight years ago to either use the less of a penny or 2% of the total Park District tax levy (excluding Bond and Interest Levy) calculation; the funding request subsidizes the PHSCC recreational programming. PTSCC Director Reagan responded to Commissioner Cozza’s question that the Park District has a twenty-one year repayment agreement with the parcel for the past balloon payment. President Gould requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the Eagle Pool Construction Manager. Commissioner McPherson moved, and Commissioner Cozza seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners approve the appointment of Corporate Construction Services as the construction manager of the new Eagle Pool construction project for a fee of \$264,350. There were no questions and/or comments. President Gould requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the 2011 PAFA football jersey Bid. Commissioner Cozza moved, and Commissioner McPherson seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners award the 2011 Palatine Amateur Football Association Jersey Bid to Sports Scene of Palatine, IL and direct staff to issue a purchase order to Sport Scene in the amount of \$31,790. Athletic Coordinator Ranum mentioned that one vendor submitted a bid; the specification in the bid to accommodate a three working day jersey replacement may be a difficult commitment for some vendors. President Gould requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed list of bills. Commissioner Rogers moved that Warrant #7 in the amount of \$1,517,445.68, be approved and released for payment. Commissioner Cozza seconded the motion. No questions were presented. President Gould requested a roll call vote on the motion.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

President Gould 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 his

recommendation from his written report that Willow Pool should close following the 2011 season; this will be on the April 26 Board Meeting Agenda. We will have dialogue gathering input from the residents and the Park Board; the vote on this recommendation intended for Willow Pool may be in May. Discussion ensued among residents from the Willow Pool neighborhood; Asst. Supt. Danz responded to a question about accuracy with swiping-in the pool ID cards/attendees when the PPD's computer system is down, explaining that under such circumstance the pool's desk attendants manually checks-in the data and later that information is entered into the system. That is the procedure with all the pools as well as the gym facilities when we encounter computer issues. Willow Pool parents voiced a concern with their children attending other Palatine pools will put them at risk when walking to the pool by means of crossing Hicks Road. When questioned about safety, Director Gbur commented that safety is our top priority; all of our pool locations present the same conditions for many residents such as the crossings of Quentin Road, Euclid Road, Dundee Road, and Northwest Highway. Comments in support of Willow Pool: demographic change of the neighborhood, a gathering/greeting place for new neighbors, or for social events of the neighborhood not like any other Palatine pool, convenience of walking distance, and other neighborhoods' residents east of Hicks Road use the pool. Some of staff's concerns with the forty-four year old pool: the annual expenses (cost per participant), attendance numbers, ADA, and maintenance needs involved with an old pool, gutters, deck, bathhouse, and mechanical functions. Director Gbur said that he will provide the print out of the breakdown for the yearly operating cost of Willow Pool and stats for the amount of Willow Pool's attendance per square foot that were requested by the residents. Continuing, Director Gbur reiterated that as of June 2012 with the renovation of Eagle Pool, we will have three different very nice pools that will be able to accommodate all of our Park District residents' variety of aquatic needs in a very efficient manner for the future. President Gould thanked the residents for attending and suggested that when they come to our next Board Meeting to bring their questions, possibly have them written down so we cover all concerns and questions.

#### COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner McPherson said that the House Bill 1645 has passed; the support for Bill 1645 which amends the property tax code would be valuable to the Park District.

Commissioner Cozza mentioned that he was excited the House supports Bill 1645. He appreciated Ron's letter to work through the scheduling position with District 211.

Commissioner Rogers said that she completed an on-line course through IAPD; the Rewards and Challenges of Boardmanship.

President Gould congratulated Commissioner Rogers on her re-election; also mentioned that she received the letter of Economic Interest Statement and that it can be processed on-line.

President Gould noted there were no Future Agenda items requested at this time.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Gould 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 McPherson so moved and Commissioner Cozza seconded the motion. President Gould requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows:

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed at 8:00 p.m.

ACTION ON MATTERS CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION

The Board returned to regular session at 8:17 p.m. and President Gould 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: Andrew McPherson, John Cozza, Nicholas Sawyer, Jennifer Rogers, Susan Gould

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board on this date, Commissioner Rogers moved that the regular meeting be adjourned; Commissioner McPherson seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by a voice vote at 8:18 p.m.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Respectfully submitted,

Trish Feid, Secretary

ATTEST:

/s/ Trish A. Feid  
Secretary

APPROVED:

/s/ Susan E. Gould  
President

Next scheduled Park Board meetings: April 26, 2011  
May 10, 2011  
May 24, 2011