

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, 505 S. QUENTIN ROAD, PALATINE, ILLINOIS ON JULY 12, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M.

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

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present

John Cozza, President
Nicholas Sawyer, Vice President
Jennifer Rogers, Treasurer

Andrew McPherson
Susan Gould

Staff Present

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

Tina Becke, Asst. Supt. of Finance & Personnel
Cheryl Tynczuk, Landscape Architect
Kevin Romejko, Human Resource Manager
Joshua Ludolph, Recreation Manager
Trish Feid, Secretary

Citizens and Guests

Bob Alexander, resident/PHGA
Josh Graham, resident
Colleen Lundell, resident
Steve Lundell, resident
Michael Henning, resident

Wayne Mikes, resident
Gail Artrip, resident
Tim English, resident
Daniel Cohen, Recreation Intern

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner McPherson moved and Commissioner Gould seconded that the Board approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of July 12, 2011. Upon a voice vote, the meeting's agenda was unanimously approved as submitted.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Sawyer moved and Commissioner Gould seconded that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 28, 2011. By a voice vote, the minutes of the prior meeting were approved as submitted.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Finance and Personnel Department Report. Supt. Smith highlighted the recent heavy volume of FOIA requests that required a great deal of staffs' time to gather and the explanations involved with some of the documents.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Recreation Department Report. Replying to President Cozza's questions Supt. Williams said that this was the first time we had to cancel the Cubs Family Trip, the seasonal Cubs outing had low enrollment the past couple of years. Williams said that the Falcon Park Recreation Center hosted a Winston Jr. High School rental in honor of their graduation; the students used the entire facility for their field trip day.

President Cozza noted there were no other Departmental Reports.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

Mr. Alexander mentioned to the Board that the Palatine Hills Golf Association's Board Meeting will be on Thursday, July 14, 2011; he offered to convey any golf course ideas or projects from the Park Board to the PHGA Board, they are willing to help.

Colleen Lundell, 457 N. Stark: Mrs. Lundell addressed the Board as the Willow Pool's representative; also, on behalf of some residents of Reseda, Winston, Kenilwick, Pebble Creek and Spinnaker Cove neighborhoods. Mrs. Lundell presented ideas in regard to preserving Willow Pool (the closing and demolition of Willow Pool was approved at the Palatine Park District Board Meeting on May 10, 2011; effective at the end of the 2011 pool season: August 14, 2011). She asked that the Park Board consider residents subsidizing the higher than expected pool costs, possibly privatizing Willow Pool and would like to know the future improvement plans for the land, heard a rumor of a parking lot in place where the pool is currently located. The Board confirmed that there is no intention of a parking lot. Mrs. Lundell mentioned the stables and golf course finances, and the future ability to accommodate the needs of residents when one of the three park district pools hosts a weekend swim meet. Director Gbur responded that although the Family Aquatic Center and Eagle were busy because of the beautiful weather this weekend, they could accommodate even more swimmers on weekends when Birchwood has swim meets. Mrs. Lundell added that they are not asking for a response tonight to the comments and questions; although, they would appreciate hearing back from the Park Board soon. Mrs. Lundell submitted to the Board the collaborated questions which will be filed with the official Board Packet.

Tim English, 636 E. Meadow Lane: Supt. Moser responded to Mr. English's question, Moser said that the contractor has the salvage rights in the demolition process. Director Gbur responded to Mr. English's question, that we will grade and seed the land after the pool is demolished. Once again, the Board reiterated no parking lot is planned for the land.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Director Gbur noted that the park district purchased two properties: 304 E. Palatine Road and 1501 N. Oak Street, Palatine, IL. Commissioner McPherson moved and Commissioner Gould seconded that the Park Board of Commissioners agree that the form, terms and provisions of the respective purchase agreements for the property located at 304 E. Palatine Road and the property located at 1501 N. Oak Street, Palatine, Illinois, the execution by the Park Board President of each said agreement for and on behalf of the Palatine Park District and the attestation of the Park Board President's signature by the Secretary of the Park District,

are hereby in all respects ratified, confirmed and approved. President Cozza requested a roll call vote on the motion, the result of which follows:

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the Eagle Pool Roof Bid. Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner McPherson seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners accept the bid of All American Exterior Solutions to install new shingles to the roof of the new pool building at Eagle Park including the pre-school in the amount of \$52,300. Commissioner Sawyer commented that the bid is \$3,000 under budget. President Cozza requested a roll call vote on the motion, the result of which follows:

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Village of Palatine Bicycle Transportation Plan and Board Summary. This plan is for review purposes only which will be presented at the Village of Palatine's Council Meeting on Monday, July 18, 2011 for approval. Director Gbur said that Landscape Architect Cheryl Tynczuk may be able to answer questions that the Board may have while highlighting parts of the transportation plan that the Steering Committee developed along the Palatine Bicycle Task Force. Tynczuk, a member of the Steering Committee, said this plan will aid bicyclists who use their bicycles for more than a recreational purpose; a plan to stripe bicycle lanes on the streets, other signage and additional bicycle paths to connect into other neighboring towns, etc. Tynczuk mentioned the collaboration of the Village and the Park District to create one map displaying the routes. Efforts will be made to educate the public on bicycling guidelines and safety; the public will be able to view the information on channel 6. Tynczuk introduced to the Board other members of the Steering Committee, Gail Artrip and Wayne Mikes, who attended the Park Board meeting to assist with any comments and questions. The Commissioners said that educating the public will help create public awareness; therefore, hopefully less accidents. The Commissioners also said they can present a Resolution in support. The Board thanked Tynczuk for the explanation of the plan and gave thanks to Mrs. Artrip and Mr. Mikes.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed list of bills. Commissioner Rogers moved that Warrant #13, in the amount of \$1,212,411.22, be approved and released for payment. Commissioner Gould seconded the motion. There were no questions. President Cozza requested a roll call vote on the motion.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Director Gbur noted there was no more additional new business to be addressed at this time.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Executive Director's Report. Director Gbur thanked the Jaycees, our staff liaison Lisa Schroeder and staff who assisted in providing another great Hometown Fest. Gbur also gave thanks to Asst. Supt. Tynczuk for his help throughout the entire festival and parade; Tynczuk and staff provided quick assistance during a cable break during the fest, and with the use of a village generator, avoided a major glitch. Gbur reminded the Board about our upcoming Park Board tour this Saturday at 9 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner McPherson asked about the yellow portable sign that was posted near Illinois Street, Director Gbur said the park district sign was moved to inform the public of the swim meet that was hosted at Birchwood; it will be placed back near the Family Aquatic Center's west parking lot until the new electronic message board is operable. Commissioner McPherson complimented that the parade went well; a good job by the Jaycees.

Supt. Moser responded to Commissioner Gould's question regarding storm damage explaining that a few big limbs and many branches were lost. Supt. Zaldivar said that the golf course lost seven large trees; the golf course is going on thirty-six hours without power and they are using generators to operate the Clubhouse and Proshop. Director Gbur added that Birchwood was okay, although the Community Center was without power for five hours and Falcon Park for thirty-two hours.

Commissioner Rogers commented to the Willow residents in attendance that she wants to know what the neighbors would like to see there in place of the pool. There was a comment that they can not imagine not seeing the pool and that the Park Board should consider the questions presented from the residents of Willow Pool and other neighbors in support of the pool. President Cozza added that the closing of Willow Pool comes after over twenty years of review, and he stressed that the Board understands. The Board added that there would be no subsidizing the higher than expected pool costs or turnover of the existing pool, as it is in no condition to continue operations, and reiterated that the pool will be demolished after this season. President Cozza said he would be available following tonight's Board Meeting if anyone was interested.

President Cozza requested Future Agenda items; none were put forth.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Cozza requested a motion to close the public portion of the meeting and convene in executive session under Section 2(c)(21); discussion of minutes of prior meetings lawfully closed under the Opening Meetings Act, for the purpose of review, approval or release. Commissioner McPherson so moved and Commissioner Rogers seconded the motion. President Cozza requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows:

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

Motion passed at 8:07 p.m.

The Board returned to regular session at 8:14 p.m.

ACTION ON MATTERS CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION

President Cozza stated that the Board of Park Commissioners met in Executive Session for the purpose of considering the approval and release of minutes of prior executive sessions; lawfully closed under Section 2(c)(21) of the Open Meetings Act. President Cozza declared that the Board approve and release the minutes of executive sessions held December 7, 2010; January 11, 2011; February 8, 2011; February 22, 2011; March 8, 2011; March 22, 2011; April 12, 2011; and April 26, 2011. Commissioner McPherson moved and Commissioner Rogers seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by a roll call vote as follows:

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

Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board on this date, Commissioner McPherson moved that the regular meeting be adjourned; Commissioner Gould seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by a voice vote at 8:15 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Trish Feid

ATTEST:

/s/ Trish A. Feid
Secretary

APPROVED:

/s/ John F. Cozza
President

Next scheduled Park Board Meetings: July 26, 2011
August 9, 2011
August 23, 2011