

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 8, 2009 AT 7:03 P.M.

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

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CALL TO ORDER @ 7:03P.M.

Commissioners Present

Andrew McPherson, President  
Susan Gould, Vice President  
John Cozza  
Nicholas Sawyer

Commissioner Absent

Jennifer Rogers, Treasurer

Staff Present

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

Raul Zaldivar, Supt. of Revenue Facilities  
Tina Becke, Asst. Supt. of Finance  
Donelda Danz, Asst. Supt. of Recreation  
Bonnie Bennett, Secretary

Citizens and Guests

Bob Alexander, resident/PHGA

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Gould moved and Commissioner Cozza seconded, that the agenda be approved. By a voice vote, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of December 8, 2009 was unanimously approved as submitted.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Jennifer Rogers

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Cozza moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 24, 2009. By a voice vote, the minutes of the prior meeting were approved as submitted.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Jennifer Rogers

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Finance and Personnel Department Report. There were no questions or comments.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Recreation Department Report. Superintendent Williams highlighted the **Turkey Trot** asking President McPherson and Commissioner Cozza (participants) for their input. Both agreed it was a good event, new timing company was better with only some small issues, heard lots of positive comments, Harper location good because participants can wait inside (1,414 this year) but route can be boring; try to work on re-routing race. Williams informed the Board that NE Palatine Program Coordinator Cristina Lara will be moving from the POC building to Falcon Park next week; staff is packing up now.

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 stated that the Board previously reviewed the 2010 Operating Budget and if there are no more questions, he would recognize a motion for its approval. Commissioner Cozza moved and Commissioner Gould seconded that the 2010 Operating Budget be approved as submitted. President McPherson requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Jennifer Rogers

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the 2009 Tax Levy. Commissioner Cozza moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners adopt Ordinance #09-08 assessing and levying taxes for the 2009 tax year. Commenting on the target tax rate of 41.9¢, Commissioner Cozza said that it was 50¢ in 1991 when he became a commissioner. President McPherson requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Jennifer Rogers

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the abatement of taxes. Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner Cozza seconded, that the Board adopt Ordinance #09-09 abating taxes levied for the Falcon Park Recreation Center 2008 General Obligation Bond Issue. There were no questions. President McPherson requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Jennifer Rogers

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to Golf Course Food and Beverage Concessions. Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner Cozza seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners direct staff to enter into an agreement with Open Kitchens for a period of three years (2010-2012) to operate the food and beverage concessions at Palatine Hills Golf Course for an annual rent of \$21,000, \$21,500, and \$22,000 respectively. Commissioner Cozza commented about the large decrease in rental fees and Superintendent Zaldivar responded that the fees are very much in line with other park district golf courses that do not have banquet facilities; a reflection of the economy and trends in golf; also this was the sole bidder. Discussion ensued regarding the suggestion of doing the operation in-house and Zaldivar said that a major problem is staffing, i.e. hard to find people with that same level of commitment to quality, and the additional cost of benefits such as IMRF. A suggestion was made to informally revisit this again in 2012 if circumstances change, and Zaldivar said he would discuss with legal counsel. President McPherson requested a roll call vote on the motion, the result of which follows:

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Jennifer Rogers

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to PYB/S Uniform bids. Commissioner Cozza moved, and Commissioner Sawyer seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners award the 2010 PYB/S Uniform bid to Santo Sports of Chicago Ridge, IL in the amount of \$52,747.34, and that staff be authorized to issue a purchase order for all the items included in the 2010 bid specifications. President McPherson requested a roll call vote on the motion, the result of which follows:

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Jennifer Rogers

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to Falcon Park Change Orders 48 through 51. Commissioner Cozza moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners approve Change Orders 48 through 51 for the Falcon Park Recreation Center in the amount of \$54,252.49. Responding to a question pertaining to wall cabinetry, staff said that it had been an owner's expense but was changed to achieve a more finished look. Responding to Director Gbur, Superintendent

Moser said that he doesn't anticipate many more change orders, but are netting (\$50,000) and additional security cameras for shelf exit door and stairwell are expected; some big owner's expense items are still necessary. President McPherson requested a roll call vote on the motion, the result of which follows:

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Jennifer Rogers

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed list of bills. Commissioner Cozza moved that Warrant #23, in the amount of \$516,524.30, be approved and released for payment. Commissioner Gould seconded the motion. There were no questions. President McPherson requested a roll call vote on the motion.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Jennifer Rogers

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. Highlighting item 2, Director Gbur said that the nominations will be presented for the Board's review at the next meeting. Gbur then gave each commissioner a packet prepared by legal counsel regarding her new firm; Ms. Holtz will be attending the December 15 meeting. Gbur then told the Board that Wednesday December 16 at 7 p.m. the Palatine Jaycees will tour Falcon Park, and Celtic Soccer will have a practice at 7:30; the VIP Open House is Thursday, December 17 between 5 and 8 p.m.; commissioners are welcome to attend both events.

#### COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Gould said that in a recent issue of Parks & Recreation magazine she saw a 'Splash Pad' which she thinks would be appropriate for Falcon Park – it is large enough and only one feature.

Commissioner Sawyer said that everyone working on Falcon Park Rec Center is doing a wonderful job.

President McPherson said that he would be attending the Holiday Party in casual attire (sweat suit); Gbur said that he has advised staff that should they want to use the facilities, i.e. gym or indoor turf, they are to wear soft shoes or socks.

At President McPherson request for Future Agenda items, Commissioner Cozza said that he would like the Board to discuss the Cook County Quentin Road project at the next meeting, with the possibility of adopting and submitting a resolution to Cook County in support of widening Quentin to 5 lanes with a bike lane at the second meeting in January.

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 7:33 p.m.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Jennifer Rogers

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie M. Bennett

ATTEST:

/s/ Bonnie M. Bennett

Secretary

APPROVED:

/s/ Andrew S. McPherson

President

Next scheduled Park Board meetings:

December 15, 2009  
January 12, 2010  
January 26, 2010