

MINUTES

July 23, 2009

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Oakbrook Terrace Park District held on July 23, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Heritage Center, 1S325 Ardmore Avenue, Oakbrook Terrace, DuPage County, Illinois.

CALL TO ORDER

President Sweitzer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Maryann Neffke, Roger Sweitzer, William Cizek.

Commissioners absent from the meeting: Dan Flanagan, Susan Lugo.

Laura Barron, Director of Parks and Recreation; Larry White, Superintendent of Parks; Tim Reinbold, Superintendent of Recreation; Liane Knight, Superintendent of the Nature Center; Lauri Bauer, Recording Secretary.

PLANNING CONSULTANT

Director Barron introduced Dave Emanuelson and Tod Stanton from Public Research Group, a firm providing comprehensive research planning firm which would provide a well rounded vision of the park district. Mr. Stanton provided information about their firm and the services they provide. A plan is a three phase project which entails about six to eight months of analysis utilizing input from the board, staff, as well as the community.

Ms. Knight left the meeting.

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Approval of the minutes of the June 25, 2009 Regular Meeting. Motion to approve: Commissioner Neffke; Second: Commissioner Sweitzer. Ayes: 2, Nays: 0, Abstentions: 1, with Susan Lugo and Dan Flanagan absent from the meeting.

NEDSRA

Director Barron reported that NEDSRA now has a two page news flash which was in the commissioners' mailboxes.

Ms. Knight returned to the meeting.

FINANCIAL

Ms. Bauer reported that the auditor has been out to do the field work for this year's audit and reported that the auditors were pleased with the new QuickBooks file format.

Approval of Disbursements for the month of June. Motion to approve: Commissioner Cizek; Second: Commissioner Neffke. Ayes: 3, with Commissioners Neffke, Cizek, Sweitzer voting in favor. Nays: 0, Abstentions: 0, with Commissioners Lugo and Flanagan absent.

Approval of the Financial Statement for June. Motion to approve: Commissioner Cizek; Second: Commissioner Neffke. Ayes: 3, with Commissioners Neffke, Cizek, Sweitzer voting in favor, Nays: 0, Abstentions: 0, with Commissioners Lugo and Flanagan were absent.

LEGAL

Marty Bourke would like to schedule a meeting between himself, Paul Burke and Mayor Ragucci with Director Barron and President Sweitzer regarding the culvert. Commissioner Cizek indicated that he has no problem with the meeting provided that no decisions are made. President Sweitzer indicated that he believes Mr. Cizek should be included in this meeting. The preference of the board would be for the discussion to take place at a board meeting. As an alternative, only Director Barron would meet with the City representatives.

Director Barron was contacted by Marty Bourke regarding the permit for the playground. Director Barron will see how this matter develops.

The City was notified by Director Barron that the District would like to consider some changes to the fuel agreement. The response to Director Barron is that the City is not going to consider any changes.

OLD BUSINESS

Krilich Property

Director Barron and Commissioner Cizek met with Greg Wilcox regarding the development of this property. The District could receive nine acres of land in addition to money. Mr. Wilcox indicated that they will be meeting with the other taxing bodies.

Sporting Activities

Mr. Reinbold reported that there is nothing to report other than it has been a busy summer and the parks facilities have been utilized greatly.

Director Barron reported that the board on the tennis court is not being taken down at the request of the tennis instructor. The tennis court project which includes resurfacing and the light poles will also include the board.

Commissioner Neffke asked that the Movies in the Park volunteers, Dee Gust and Joe Castro, be thanked for their assistance.

Splash Plash – Playground

There is a problem with a sensor which will be addressed by Fountain Tech.

Ardmore Avenue Extension

Nothing to report.

Concrete Project

Director Barron reported that the concrete work will be awarded to JNC Concrete Construction.

Employee Manual – Benefits Section

The accrual of vacation is going to be as recommended by PDRMA. Sick and personal days will be granted January 1st of each year. Director Barron is recommending that no more than fifty percent of vacation hours are able to be carried over to the following year.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Cizek, seconded by Commissioner Neffke, the Benefits Section of the Employee Manual is approved with Commissioners Neffke, Cizek, Sweitzer voting in favor. Nays: 0, Abstentions: 0, with Commissioners Lugo and Flanagan absent.

Fuel Service Agreement

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

IMRF

Following discussion, upon motion made by Commissioner Neffke, seconded by Commissioner Cizek, the IMRF Phase in rate of 2010 is approved with Commissioners Neffke, Cizek, Sweitzer voting in favor. Nays: 0, Abstentions: 0, with Commissioners Lugo and Flanagan absent.

REPORTS

Recreation

Mr. Reinbold reported that there are two weeks left of summer camp. Movies in the park have been held.

Attendance at the Splash Pad has been down due to the weather. On better weather days, there are a number of children at the Splash Pad.

Lake View Nature Center

Ms. Knight reported that more than 300 attended Wild Wednesday this past week. The mushroom caps in the garden were damaged in the last forty-eight hours and will need to be replaced. Ms. Knight was asked to report the damage to the police.

Fitness Center

The Fitness Center is working on some marketing items and business as usual. Mr. Mulford is working with the cleaning person.

Parks

Mr. White reported that the parks department is very busy. The new truck was delivered today. Mr. White is waiting for quotes on the light poles and the doors at the Heritage Center and the Fitness Center.

The pond is being monitored to prevent damage. The roses will grow heartier and more durable with some time.

Marketing

Director Barron distributed some marketing pieces. A tree dedication program is being developed. The Nature Center is on the front page of a newspaper article today.

Administration

Director Barron reported most of her items were already covered during the meeting. The mosquito abatement sign is in.

Discussion of the work program through DuPage County ensued. The current person is doing a good job. The District is interested in other candidates.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Commissioner Neffke reported that at the Brandywine meeting, Corporal Michael Shehee is the new neighborhood watch person in this area. Discussion of National Night Out could be incorporated with a Movie in the Park night next summer. Corporal Shehee would like to attend the September board of commissioners meeting to introduce himself. The board supported this idea for next summer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Commissioner Neffke, seconded by Commissioner Cizek, the Regular meeting was adjourned to Executive Session to discuss personnel at 8:40 p.m.. The motion passed; there were no votes in opposition and no abstentions from voting with Commissioners Lugo and Flanagan absent from the meeting.

Following the Executive Session, upon motion made by Commissioner Cizek, seconded by Commissioner Neffke and approved by all of the commissioners, the meeting returned to open session at 8:55 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. by Commissioner Cizek, seconded by Commissioner Neffke, and approved by all.

Roger Sweitzer, President

Maryann Neffke, Secretary