

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE PARK DISTRICT OF LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS
HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
536 EAST AVENUE, LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS**

NOVEMBER 18, 2010

President Penicook called the meeting to order at 7:34 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Penicook, Walsh, Belcaster, Kelsas

ABSENT: Commissioner Ashby

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director Dean Bissias, Superintendent of Finance Leynette Kuniej, Superintendent of Recreation Laura Gallagher, Recording Secretary Ginger Zeman

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Rob Bush, Thom Rae, Jane Michaels from the Doings, Brian Hudson from the Suburban Life, Alex Keown from the Patch

President Penicook welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for changes to the agenda.

President Penicook updated the tabled decision regarding the bids for Gordon Park. She stated the board needed more time to review the budget. W.B. Olson asked the vendors to extend their bids until spring.

Commissioner Kelsas motioned to add one New Business item regarding AYSO field work and add one Old Business item regarding the traffic study at Denning Park. Commissioner Belcaster seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Voice Vote.

Public Hearing Regarding the Truth in Taxation for the Proposed Property Tax Increase for the 2010 Tax Levy

At 7:39 P.M. Commissioner Belcaster motioned to open the public hearing. Commissioner Kelsas seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Voice Vote.

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President Penicook asked Superintendent of Finance Leynette Kuniej to explain this hearing. There were no public comments.

At 7:41P.M. Commissioner Kelsas motioned to close the Public Hearing regarding Truth in Taxation for the Proposed Property Tax Increase for the 2010 Tax Levy. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Voice Vote.

Communications, Presentations & Declarations

Public Comments/ Participation

None

Monthly FOIA Summary

President Penicook stated detailed information regarding the FOIA summary can be viewed in the Board Packet.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Belcaster motioned to approve Item 4.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board\Staff Workshop on October 13, 2010; Item 4.2 Approval of the Special Board Meeting of October 18, 2010; Item 4.3 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 18, 2010; Item 4.4 Approval of the Minutes of Executive Board Sessions of October 18, 2010 and October 21, 2010; Item 4.5 Approval of the Financial Report dated October 31, 2010; Item 4.6 Approval of the Consolidated Vouchers for November dated November 18, 2010. Commissioner Kelsas seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Penicook, Walsh, Belcaster, Kelsas
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Ashby

Staff Reports

Director Bissias stated La Grange Little League asked the Park District of La Grange to make a contribution for work they have done to the fields. Director Bissias would make the Board aware of the cost at the next meeting.

Director Bissias stated he has been working on the PARC Grant and it is almost finished.

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Superintendent of Finance Leynette Kuniej stated she is anxiously awaiting the tax dollars due December 13, 2010.

Superintendent of Recreation Laura Gallagher stated the new winter/spring brochure should be delivered to residents' homes tomorrow or Saturday. There are 44 new programs including gymnastics. Summer camp registration begins February 1, 2011.

Attorney Report

None

Treasurer Report

None

Action Items

Approval of Ordinance 10-05 Sale of General Obligation Bonds for \$295,000

Non-Referendum General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds

Commissioner Kelsas motioned to approve Ordinance 10-05 Sale of General Obligation Bonds for \$295,000 Non-Referendum General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds. Commissioner Belcaster seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES:	Commissioners Penicook, Belcaster, Walsh, Kelsas
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Commissioner Ashby

Approval of Ordinance 10-06, Ordinance Levying and Assessing Taxes of the Park District of La Grange (Tax Levy Ordinance for 2010 Tax Levy Year)

Commissioner Belcaster motioned to approve Ordinance 10-06 levying and assessing taxes of the Park District of La Grange. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES:	Commissioners Penicook, Belcaster, Walsh, Kelsas
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Commissioner Ashby

Approval of Ordinance 10-07, Ordinance Directing the Cook County Clerk to Reduce the Park District of La Grange Real Estate Tax, Levy Year 2010 (Recreation Fund)

Commissioner Kelsas motioned to approve Ordinance 10-07 directing the Cook County Clerk to reduce the Park District of La Grange real estate tax, levy year 2010. Commissioner Belcaster seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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AYES: Commissioners Penicook, Belcaster, Kelpsas, Walsh
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Ashby

Approval of Ordinance 10-08, Abatement of Taxes for Levied Year 2010 to Pay Debt Service on General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source)

Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve Ordinance 10-08 abatement of taxes for levied year 2010 to pay debt service on General Obligation Park Bonds.

Commissioner Belcaster seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Penicook, Belcaster, Kelpsas, Walsh
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Ashby

Approval of Resolution 10-04 PDLG Request for Application of PARC Grant for the Construction of a Fitness Center within the Recreation Center

Commissioner Kelpsas motioned to approve Resolution 10-04 PDLG request for application of PARC Grant for the construction of a fitness center within the Recreation Center. Commissioner Belcaster seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioner Penicook, Belcaster, Kelpsas, Walsh
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Ashby

Board Business

New Business

AYSO Proposal to Upgrade Fields

President Penicook stated AYSO has an estimate for \$5,228.00 from Drescher Landscaping to replace sections of sod at Sedgwick Park soccer field. They are asking the Park District for permission to do the work and to make a contribution towards it. After Board discussion, the consensus was to contribute \$2,000. There would be a vote under Action Items at the next meeting.

Old Business

Traffic Study at Denning Park

President Penicook stated the Village is requesting an additional \$1,700 from the Park District for the traffic study at Denning Park. The Board would like more information about the study, who else is contributing, and if it will align with the grant related work at the park before contributing more money.

Committee Reports

Administration Committee

None

Marketing Committee

None

Finance Committee

None

Capital Projects Committee

None

Recreation Committee

None

Park and Facility Committee

Commissioner Belcaster thanked Commissioner Kelsas for the development of the capital replacement quality evaluation form.

Board Member Comments

Commissioner Kelsas thanked Laura Gallagher for getting the brochure out on time.

Commissioner Belcaster thanked Laura Gallagher for the timeliness of the brochure, and also thanked Leynette Kuniej for answering all his questions.

President Penicook commended staff for their short, concise and improved staff reports.

Executive Session

At 8:16P.M. Commissioner Belcaster motioned the Board convene to Executive Session pursuant to Item 12.1 Potential Claims and/or Litigation, 5 ILCS 120/2 (2)11; Item 12.2 Acquisition, Lease and/or Disposition of Real Property, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5&6); Item 12.3 Personnel, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1); Item 12.4 Security Procedures & Response Plans 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8). Commissioner Kelsas seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Penicook, Walsh, Belcaster, Kelsas

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Ashby

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The Board Meeting resumed at 9:12 P.M.

There were no action items from Executive Session to vote on.

Adjournment

Commissioner Kelsas moved for adjournment at 9:14 P.M. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Walsh and carried.



Mary Ellen Penicook, President



Constantine Bissias, Secretary

Approved 12/18/2010