

**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**

SEPTEMBER 8, 2014

President Penicook called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Penicook, Lacey, Walsh

ABSENT: Commissioners Lynch, Ashby

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director Dean Bissias, Superintendent of Finance Leynette Kuniej, Superintendent of Recreation Laura Gallagher, Superintendent of B.A.S.E. Leanna Hartung, Recording Secretary Ginger Zeman

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Jim Rock

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

Communications, Presentations & Declarations

Public Comments\Participation (Board Manual Section #152)

None

2013-2014 Audit Presentation by Lauterbach & Amen, LLP

Commissioner Walsh motioned to table this item until later in the meeting. Commissioner Lacey seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Voice Vote.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Lacey motioned to approve Item 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 11, 2014; Item 3.2 Approval of the Executive Session Meeting of August 11, 2014; Item 3.3 Approval of the Financial Report dated August 31, 2014; Item 3.3 Approval of the Consolidated Vouchers for September dated September 8, 2014. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Lacey, Penicook, Walsh

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Lynch, Ashby

Staff Reports

Update on Gordon Park Project

Director Bissias stated the parking lot is almost complete. The asphalt would be poured later in the week. Currently the parking project is under budget. He is going through the punch list with the landscaper and some grass areas would be fenced off for better growth before winter.

Update on PDLG/LGBA Endless Summerfest

Director Bissias stated the Endless Summer net profit was \$16,407. The committee will begin planning again this winter. They discussed some areas for improvement and cutbacks.

Update of other Park District Matters

None

Staff Comments

Superintendent of Finance Kuniej stated she is busy with new staff.

Superintendent of B.A.S.E. Leanna Hartung stated that the numbers are sky rocketing for attendance at District 102. St. Francis School numbers are great for the first year and getting positive feedback from the parents and school. She praised her staff and the great job they are doing.

Superintendent of Recreation Laura Gallagher stated our preschool is up 32 children by adding the Sedgwick building. Athletics are busy too.

Attorney Report

None

Treasurer Report

None

Action Item

Discussion and/or Approval of 2013-2014 Audit as Presented by Lauterbach & Amen, LLP

Tabled until later in the meeting.

Discussion and/or Approval of an Updated Agreement between Park District of La Grange, Hazel Crest and Lansing Park Districts (South Suburban Risk Management Group, SSRMG)

After Board discussion, Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve the updated agreement between the Park District of La Grange, Hazel Crest and Lansing Park Districts(South Suburban Risk Managment Group, SSRMG).

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

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AYES: Commissioners Penicook, Walsh, Lacey
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Commissioners Ashby, Lynch

Discussion and/or Approval of a Possible Easement Agreement with AT&T at Waiola Park

Director Bissias found a better location to put the AT&T communication box. It is at the corner of 48th and Waiola behind the park ID sign at Waiola Park. AT&T would pay us \$8,000 for the use of our property. Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve the easement agreement with AT&T at Waiola Park. Commissioner Lacey seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Penicook, Walsh, Lacey
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Commissioners Ashby, Lynch

Board Business

Old Business

None

New Business

Discussion and/or Approval of October 6, 2014 as the Date for the October 2014 Board Meeting

Director Bissias explained staff would be attending the NRPA Convention the week of October 13th. Commissioner Lacey motioned to approve October 6, 2014 as the date for the October 2014 Board Meeting. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Voice Vote.

Board President to Announce a Public Hearing Regarding the Sale of 2014 General Obligation Bonds (Annual Roll Over Bonds)

President Penicook announced a hearing for the General Obligation Bonds on Monday October 6, 2014.

Communications, Presentations & Declarations cont'd

2013-2014 Audit Presentation by Lauterbach & Amen, LLP

Matt Baron, Principal at Lauterbach & Amen, presented the 2013-2014 audit. He gave the highest opinion of the Park District. He could not say enough about Superintendent of Finance Leynette Kuniej and her staff.

Action Items cont'd

Discussion and/or Approval of 2013-2014 Audit as Presented by Lauterbach & Amen, LLP

Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve the 2013-2014 Audit as presented by Lauterbach & Amen, LLP. Commissioner Lacey seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Penicook, Walsh, Lacey

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Ashby, Lynch

Committee Reports

Administration Committee

None

Public Relations Committee

None

Finance Committee & Capital Projects Committee

None

User Group Committee

None

Public Comments

None

Board Comments

Commissioner Lacey thanked Superintendent of Finance Kuniej for making the Park District look so good and keeping the money in control. She added the new Gordon Park parking area looks good but she imagined more than 22 spots.

Commissioner Walsh reemphasized the quality of these financials. There was meticulous record keeping for the audit firm and for us. Having these records at hand by our staff. He stated it was not painful but a joy to review these numbers and have all our questions answered in a superior level by Superintendent of Finance Kuniej.

President Penicook thanked Superintendent of Finance Kuniej for her financial analysis and all her hard work. She reminded everyone about the Cure Network event here at the Park District this Saturday September 13, 2014. She asked everyone to tell someone with need for medical, dental, or eyecare to please come. She thanked the rest of the staff and especially the B.A.S.E

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program with their increasing numbers. She appreciated what they are doing.

Executive Session

At 7:56 P.M. Commissioner Walsh motioned the Board convene to Executive Session pursuant to Item 12.1 Potential Claims and/or Litigation, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 11, Item 12.3 Setting the Price of Real Property, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(6), Item 12.5 Selection of a Person to Fill a Vacancy of a Public Officer 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3), Item 12.6 Review of Closed Executive Session Minutes, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21). Commissioner Lacey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Walsh, Lacey, Penicook
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Lynch, Ashby

The Regular Board meeting resumed at 8:19 P.M.

Commissioner Walsh motioned that the Board make a determination that all Executive Session Minutes currently being treated as confidential need to remain confidential. Commissioner Lacey seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Voice Vote.

Adjournment

Commissioner Walsh moved for adjournment at 8:21 P.M. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lacey and passed unanimously by Voice Vote.



Constantine Bissias, Secretary
Approved 10/06/2014


Mary Ellen Penicook, President