

**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 9, 2015

President Penicook called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Penicook, Walsh, Vear, Ashby*, Lacey

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director Dean Bissias, Superintendent of Recreation Laura Gallagher, Superintendent of Facilities Chris Finn, Superintendent of BASE Leanna Hartung, Recording Secretary Ginger Zeman,

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Rob Bush, Jim Boo

* Commissioner Ashby arrived at 7:05 P.M.

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

Communications, Presentations & Declarations

None

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve Item 3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 13, 2015; Item 3.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of October 13, 2015; Item 3.3 Approval of the Financial Report dated October 31, 2015; Item 3.4 Approval of the Consolidated Vouchers for November dated November 9, 2015; Item 3.5 Approval of Agreements with FNBC Bank and Trust; ACH Origination Service Addendum, Remote Deposit Capture Service Addendum, Master Cash Management Agreement, and Business EBanking Service Addendum. Commissioner Vear seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Penicook, Walsh, Vear

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Ashby, Commissioner Lacey (out of the room)

Staff Reports

Director's Report

Report on Bids for the Replacement of the Parking Lot at the Recreation Center (536 East Avenue) and Waiola Park Pathway

Director Bissias stated there were many compliments from the public regarding the quick replacement of the parking lot and Waiola Park projects. A parking lot sewer collapsed during construction but was repaired immediately. Concrete parking bumpers were installed in the north parking area to discourage trucks from driving in our lot.

PDRMA Health Insurance

Director Bissias informed the Board there would be a 4% increase next year for PDRMA health insurance. Staff researched the open market and advised the board it would be in our best interest to stay with PDRMA as our health provider. Director Bissias stated any comments should be sent to him otherwise PDRMA would be renewed at the end of the year.

Update of other Park District Matters

Director Bissias spoke with the new superintendent of District 102 about simplifying the BASE fees and choices to match St. Francis BASE. He stated the parents would be notified of the new fee structure in January and the new fees will begin in August 2016. Superintendent of BASE Leanna Hartung explained currently it is time consuming for parents and staff. The new fees will simplify the process for everyone.

Superintendent of Facilities Chris Finn stated Maintenance/IT Supervisor Jonathan Regan will be leaving the Park District and moving to the west coast. His last day is November 16, 2015. The position was advertised but it was decided to promote from within.

Superintendent of Recreation Laura Gallagher concluded from her fitness report that she will offer different classes, work with maintenance for cleanliness in the rooms, do more marketing and promotional opportunities and update the fitness stationary bikes. The Board noticed the classes are doing well until an instructor leaves. President Penicook stated the report had great information but would like to know what the Park District is doing about it and would like updates at future meetings.

Attorney Report

Attorney Bush stated the sale of the 2.82 acres of land at Gordon Park was progressing and waiting for approvals from the village.

Treasurer Report

None

Action Items

Discussion and/or Approval of Ordinance 15-07 Levying and Assessing Taxes of the Park District of La Grange for the 2015 Tax Levy Year

Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve Ordinance 15-07 Levying and Assessing Taxes of the Park District of La Grange for the 2015 Tax Levy Year. Commissioner Vear seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

Discussion and/or Approval of Ordinance 15-08 Directing Cook County to Reduce the Park District of La Grange's Real Estate Tax Levy Year 2015

Commissioner Vear motioned to approve Ordinance 15-08 Directing Cook County to Reduce the Park District of La Grange's Real Estate Tax Levy Year 2015. Commissioner Ashby seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

Approval of Ordinance 15-09 An Ordinance providing for the issue of \$320,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2015, for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District, to provide the revenue source for outstanding obligations of the Park District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to Hinsdale Bank & Trust Company

Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve Ordinance 15-09 providing for the issue of \$320,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2015. Commissioner Ashby seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

Discussion and/or Approval of Ordinance 15-10 an Ordinance Abating the Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Year 2015 to Pay Debt Service on General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2006

Commissioner Vear motioned to approve Ordinance 15-10 an ordinance abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2015 to pay debt service on General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2006.

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

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

Discussion and/or Approval of Ordinance 15-11 an Ordinance Abating the Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Year 2015 to Pay the Principal of and Interest on \$2,530,000 General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2012C

Commissioner Ashby motioned to approve Ordinance 15-11 abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2015 to pay the principal of and interest on \$2,530,000 General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2012C. Commissioner Lacey seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

Discussion and /or Approval of SEASPAR Tax Levy for 2015

Commissioner Lacey motioned to approve the SEASPAR tax levy for 2015. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

Discussion and/or Approval Renewal of LGBA Agreement "Endless Summer"
Director Bissias noted the changes to the LGBA agreement are the dates for next year's events and for the 50/50 disbursement of funds exceeding the \$60,000 threshold. Commissioner Lacey motioned to approve the renewal of the LGBA agreement for "Endless Summer". Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

Board Business
Old Business

None

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New Business

Discussion and/or Approval of Board Meeting Dates for 2016

Director Bissias suggested Board meeting date changes for March 7, April 11, and May 16, 2016. Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve as amended the Board meeting dates for 2016. Commissioner Ashby seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Voice Vote.

Authorization of Delegates/Alternates for the 2016 Annual IAPD Meeting

President Penicook nominated Director Bissias as a delegate to the 2016 Annual IAPD Meeting and Commissioner Lacey as alternate. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Voice Vote.

Committee Reports

Administration Committee

None

Public Relations Committee

None

Finance & Capital Project Committee

None

User Group Committee

Superintendent of Facilities Chris Finn stated there would be a user group meeting soon. Director Bissias informed the Board there has been no payments from AYSO.

Public Comments (Board Manual Section #152)

None

Board Comments

Commissioner Vear questioned why one soccer field in Gordon Park did not have lights. Director Bissias explained a water main runs through the park and the Village was against putting lights there. He added there is electrical to the field but the lights were not budgeted. Commissioner Vear stated he walked through the new Waiola Park pathway and Gordon Park pathway and both look nice.

Commissioner Lacey stated she looked at dog parks in other villages and took notes. Director Bissias updated the Board that the LT property being considered for a dog park was used for gym classes. The Gallagher and Henry property for sale on Bluff could possibly be an option temporarily. He also looked at using Countryside parks however they tried a dog park before and it was unsuccessful for them. Countryside is in the process of buying and selling property at this time and there could be an opportunity at a later time.

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Commissioner Ashby thanked Superintendent of Recreation Gallagher for researching attendance for the Adult Fitness classes. He also stated it was nice to hear we are responsive to the idea of a dog park.

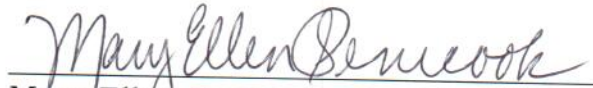
President Penicook also thanked Superintendent of Recreation Gallagher for putting together the adult fitness report. She also stated she was glad to hear the Halloween Party was fun and successful. President Penicook was inspired by Recreation Supervisor Kevin Miller's excitement in his board report over getting his Certified Youth Sports Administrator (CYSA) certification. The knowledge he gained will be put to good use in his athletic programs.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

Commissioner Ashby moved for adjournment at 7:54 P.M. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lacey and passed unanimously by Voice Vote.


Mary Ellen Penicook, President



Constantine Bissias, Secretary
Approved 12/14/2015