

**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**

MAY 12, 2014

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

PRESENT: Commissioners Lynch, Lacey*, Ashby, Walsh

ABSENT: Commissioner Penicook

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Rob Bush, Brian Bardy, Mary Lou Kalmus, Veronica & Phil Bracht, Eamon Bracht, Charles Gilbert

* Commissioner Lacey arrived at 7:08 P.M.

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

Communications, Presentations & Declarations

Public Comments\Participation (Board Manual Section #152)

Brian Bardy, 3100 Burlington Lisle, IL, asked the Board to discuss the Board Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2014 in relation to Attorney Bush's interpretation of compliance of the statute for an archeological survey of Gordon Park. Vice President Ashby suggested Mr. Bardy address this request in writing for Attorney Bush and Director Bissias to respond.

Mary Lou Kalmus, 543 S. Park La Grange, requested the Board dedicate a tennis court or gym to play pickle ball. She stated that players bring their own racquets and pickle balls. It is easy to learn and quite a workout for older adults. Director Bissias stated staff would research this game for the future.

Presentation Community Service Award to Boy Scout Eamon Bracht

Eamon Bracht worked on his Eagle Scout Project by helping the Park District with the cleanup of the north side of Gilbert Park where he painted the U.S. map on the old shuffle boards, cleaned out the brush and installed mulch around the trees. Director Bissias submitted his name to IPRA and IAPD for

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this Community Service Award. Park Foreman Claudia Galla presented the award to Eamon for his hard work on this Eagle Scout Project. Eamon stated he enjoyed this invaluable opportunity to work with the Park District. Vice President Ashby thanked Eamon on behalf of the Board.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve Item 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of April 16, 2014; Item 3.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Public Hearing Regular Meeting of April 21, 2014; Item 3.3 Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of April 21, 2014; Approval of the Financial Report dated April 30, 2014; Item 3.3 Approval of the Consolidated Vouchers for May dated May 12, 2014. Commissioner Lynch seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

Staff Reports

Update on Gordon Park Project

Director Bissias stated the water play area would be inspected on Tuesday May 13, 2014 by the state IDPH (Illinois Department of Public Health). Jeffrey Braun of Cody, Braun & Associates updated the Board on the progress of the Gordon Park Project. Director Bissias advised the Board the La Grange Rotary Club would like to donate something to the park. He would advise the Board later on their decision.

Update on PDLG/LGBA Endless Summerfest

Director Bissias stated their Endless Summerfest meeting was today so minutes would be available for the Board soon. The event is changed from 4 days to 3 days due to a carnival conflict. The bands are signed. There are 9 food vendors so far and \$13,000 has been raised for fireworks plus a sponsor to cover another night of fireworks. Advertising would begin after the Village's approval.

Update on Capital Budget for 2014-2015/ Board Tour of Parks

A date was chosen for the Board to tour all the parks on Monday May 19, 2014 at 5:30 P.M.

Staff Comments

Superintendent of Finance Leynette Kuniej stated the year end financials came back better than expected. The auditors were out last week for a preliminary audit and will return in June for a final audit. She also reminded the Board of

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Park Pride, the community wide clean up of the parks, is this Saturday May 17, 2014.

Superintendent of Facilities Chris Finn stated the building and parks are busy. He is meeting with Commissioner Lynch on Friday to discuss the affiliate group use of the fields.

Superintendent of B.A.S.E. Leanna Hartung stated there are 178 registrations already for next year's program. More registrations are coming in for summer school and the new St. Francis program.

Attorney Report

None

Treasurer Report

None

Action Item

Discussion and/or Approval of Ordinance 14-03 an Ordinance Amending the Park District of La Grange Policy Regarding Possession, Consumption, and Sale of Alcohol

After Board discussion, Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve Ordinance 14-03 amending the Park District of La Grange policy regarding possession, consumption, and sale of alcohol to include La Grange Endless Summerfest or a similar Park District substituted activity event hosted by the Park District under specified parameters. Commissioner Lynch seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Ashby, Lynch, Lacey, Walsh

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Penicook

Discussion and/or Approval of MBO's for Fiscal Year 2014-2015
Tabled until next month

Board Business

New Business

None

Old Business

Approval Open Space Master Plan
Tabled until next month

Committee Reports

Administration Committee
None

Public Relations Committee

Commissioner Lacey stated she emails our meeting agenda to the newspapers to keep them informed.

Finance Committee & Capital Projects Committee

Commissioner Ashby stated the Board has the preliminary Capital Budget for their review. He hopes to have their approval for next meeting.

User Group Committee

Commissioner Lynch stated he will be updated on the user groups at a meeting this Friday.

Public Comments

Brian Bardy, 3100 Burlington Lisle, wanted more elaboration for his written request to Attorney Bush regarding the archeological compliance for the Gordon Park land sale.

Board Comments

Commissioner Lacey had concerns about the lights and no signage at the park at the Community Center. She informed the Board about her Lacey/Hill Community Outreach Memorial Day Cookout on Monday May 26, 2014. She asked for volunteers.

Commissioner Lynch apologized for missing the meeting last month. He was glad to be here today.

Vice President Ashby reminded the Board about Park Pride this Saturday May 17, 2014. He suggested the public should check the Park District website for information on the date for the Gordon Park Grand Opening.

Executive Session

At 7:59 P.M. Commissioner Lacey motioned the Board convene to Executive Session pursuant to Item 12.3 Setting the Price of Real Property, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(6). Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

The Regular Board meeting resumed at 8:11 P.M.

Adjournment

Commissioner Walsh moved for adjournment at 8:11 P.M. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lynch and passed unanimously by Voice Vote.


Mary Ellen Penicook, President


Constantine Bissias, Secretary
Approved 06/16/2014