Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners Community Park District of La Grange Park May 12, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

President Ritten called the meeting to order in room 101 of the Recreation Center, 1501 Barnsdale Road, La Grange Park, IL at 6:30 p.m. Other Commissioners present were Karen Boyd, Jeff Kilrea, Tim Ogden and Lucy Stastny. Also present was Executive Director Roy Cripe, Maintenance Supervisor Martin Healy, Office Coordinator Peggy Ronovsky, Finance Consultant Phil Mesi and Student Intern Mary Irwin.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PARK DISTRICT MISSION

President Ritten recited as follows: The Community District of La Grange Park shall offer high quality, affordable and accessible park and recreation facilities, programs and services in a financially responsible manner.

- 4. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO AGENDA: None
- 5. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & OPEN FORUM
 - A. <u>Public Hearing</u>: Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for the year beginning May 1, 2014 and ending April 30, 2015.
 - a. Call to Order: President Ritten called the Public Hearing to order at the hour of 6:32 p.m. and noted that the roll call taken at the beginning of the meeting remains valid.
 - b. There being no audience present, there was a brief discussion among Board members. It was noted that no changes have been made to the budget since it was approved in tentative form last month.
 - c. Commissioner Kilrea made a motion; seconded by Commissioner Boyd to adjourn the Public Hearing at the hour of 6:34 p .m. <u>MOTION CARRIED</u>. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
 - B. Mary Irwin introduced herself as the summer intern for the Community Park District. She gave a brief summary of her current interests and future objectives.

6. APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Kilrea made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, to approve the April 14, 2014 regular Board meeting minutes. <u>MOTION CARRIED.</u> There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. Executive Director

A written report provided prior to the meeting was introduced by Executive Director Roy Cripe. In discussing the La Grange Park Little League, President Ritten, Commissioner Stastny and Commissioner Ogden said they will attend the Little League parade scheduled for this coming Sunday. There was a brief discussion on

the Beach-Oak Improvement project. Executive Director Cripe said that Illinois Brick Company, who is supplying bricks for the Veterans Memorial project have waived all shipping and handling charges totaling over \$600. There was discussion pertaining to the Memorial Park Improvement project. President Ritten suggested that if there is stonework planned for the new shelter, that it matches the stone on our electronic sign.

B. Building and Grounds

A written report provided prior to the meeting was introduced by Parks Supervisor Martin Healy. He also reported vandalism to a spiral slide at Stone-Monroe Park. Supervisor Healy gave a brief status report on the demolition work at Beach-Oak Park. Every effort with Donegal Excavating is being made to complete the specified grading of lot number 534 Beach Avenue.

C. Superintendent of Recreation

A written report provided prior to the meeting by Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara was introduced by Executive Director Cripe. A brief report on Girls softball and the Run for the Roses special event was given.

D. Recreation Supervisor

A written report provided prior to the meeting by Recreation Supervisor Darla Goudeau was introduced by Superintendent of Recreation Carrara. A year-to-date financial report on Recreation Center room rentals was distributed. Questions on a new Ready Teddy program for two-year olds were asked and answered.

E. Marketing Supervisor

A written report provided prior to the meeting by Marketing Supervisor Dave Romito was introduced by Superintendent of Recreation Carrara. The Board praised the Staff on the increased amount of publicity given to the Community Park District.

F. Office Manager

A written report provided prior to the meeting was introduced by Office Manager Peggy Ronovsky. Her employee Amanda Kennedy was complimented for her excellent work on the Veterans Memorial project.

G. Safety Coordinator

A written report provided prior to the meeting from Safety Coordinator Megan Jadron was introduced by Executive Director Cripe. There were no questions or comments.

H. Financial Consultant

Financial statements provided prior to the meeting were introduced by Finance Consultant Phil Mesi. Attention was given to those expenses that are carried forward to the new fiscal year. Special attention was also given to the status of the Severance Escrow Account.

8. APPROVE MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS

A list of payments submitted for approval was provided prior to the meeting. A check request payable to Illinois Brick Company in the amount of \$8,717 was added to the disbursements. Payment is for the new Veterans Memorial construction supplies. Questions on specific payments were asked and answered. Commissioner Stastny made a motion; seconded by Commissioner Ogden, to approve disbursements

totaling \$99,571.49. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Budget and Appropriations Ordinance #14-06

There was a brief discussion on the line item budget for electricity and the option to get power from the open market. Commissioner Kilrea made a motion; seconded by Commissioner Stastny, to approve the 2014-15 Budget and Appropriations Ordinance #14-06 in final form. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

B. IDNR Project Agreement for Memorial Park Improvement Project A copy of the agreement that was provided prior to the meeting was introduced by Executive Director Cripe. President Ritten called attention to specific requirements of the agreement. <u>MOTION CARRIED</u>. There was no further discussion and the motion passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

C. Robinhood Park Project -Second Draft

Revised plans for the project that were provided prior to the meeting were introduced by Executive Director Cripe. Commissioner Ogden said a resident would like the existing chain link to remain for child safety. President Ritten asked that Martin approve the amount of slope in the berm. Special attention was given to the landscape architect recommended fiberglass and concrete stone climber. The climber causes an over budget condition but the Board is willing to see how the project bids come in prior to making a decision on keeping it in the plan. Executive Director Cripe said plans are being made to bring a recommendation to the Board's June meeting.

President Ritten expressed great appreciation for the support received during his tenure as Park Board President. He especially thanked his fellow Board members and Park District Staff.

10. New Business

A. Annual meeting

a. Elect Park Board President

President Ritten called for nominations to elect a new Park Board President. Commissioner Ogden nominated Commissioner Boyd. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner Stastny. <u>MOTION CARRIED</u>:There were no other nominations and Karen Boyd was declared Board President by a unanimous voice vote.

b. Elect Park Board Vice President

President Boyd called for nominations to elect a new Park Board Vice President. President Boyd nominated Commissioner Kilrea. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner Ritten. MOTION CARRIED: There were no further nominations and Jeff Kilrea was declared Board Vice President by a unanimous voice vote.

c. Appoint Park Board Secretary and Treasurer President Boyd asked that Secretary Lucy Stastny and Treasurer Tim Ogden retain their offices for another term. There was no objection.

B. SEASPAR Budget – FY2014-15

A summary of the SEASPAR Budget provided prior to the meeting was introduced by Executive Director Roy Cripe. He said that formal approval of the budget is not required because member agencies like La Grange Park formally approves their levy contributions to SEASPAR. However, it has been the practice of this Board to also formally approve the SEASPAR budget. Commissioner Kilrea made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Stastny to approve the SEASPAR budget for FY2014-15 as presented. MOTION CARRIED: There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

11. <u>Presidents Message</u>: None

12. Adjourn to Executive Session

Commissioner Ritten made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Stastny to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, or performance of specific employees. <u>MOTION</u>

<u>CARRIED:</u> There was no further discussion and the motion passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

13. Reconvene Regular Meeting

A. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Boyd called the meeting to order in room 101 of the Recreation Center, 1501 Barnsdale Road, La Grange Park, IL at 7:37 p.m. Other Commissioners present were Lou Ritten, Jeff Kilrea, Tim Ogden and Lucy Stastny. Also present was Executive Director Roy Cripe.

B. IAPD Agreement For Employee Search Services

A proposal for Executive Director Search Services was introduced for discussion. There was a brief discussion after which Executive Director Cripe was directed to request from IAPD an agreement for completing an Executive Director search.

14. Adjournment

Commissioner Stastny made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kilrea to adjourn the regular meeting at the hour of 8:04 p.m. <u>MOTION CARRIED</u>: There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.