

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Community Park District of La Grange Park
March 9, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

President Ogden 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 Bob Corte, Lucy Stastny, Karen Boyd and Peggy Ronovsky

Also present were Executive Director Jessica Cannaday, Dean Carrera, Ray Drexler and Financial Consultant Phil Mesi

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PARK DISTRICT MISSION

The Community Park 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. OPEN FORUM

There were no comments

5. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Commissioner Boyd made a motion to approve the agenda as written.

Seconded by Commissioner Stastny. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

a. Commissioner Stastny made a motion to approve the February 10, 2020 minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Corte. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

b. The Board welcomed Ray Drexler to the position of Building and Grounds Supervisor.

7. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

a. LaGrange Park resident Drew McElligott was in attendance as a commissioner of AYSO. There are 240 parent-coach teams and over 2700 kids registered. There were a lot of closed fields due to weather and cancelled games and practices. AYSO uses Memorial Park, Yena, Robinhood and occasionally Forest Road. Robinhood and Yena have been unplayable so they are going to look into something else. With user fees, AYSO would like to be part of the solution to fix the fields. President Ogden thanked the AYSO for the partnership.

8. STAFF REPORTS

a. Executive Director

A written report distributed to the Board prior to the meeting was introduced by Executive Director Cannaday. Little League is to pay half of Hanesworth Park improvements. The main drainage pipe was broken and they added additional drains. The park district will seed the area and Little League will stay off field

until May 1st to let turf establish.

Cannaday is working with the village to figure out what their plans are for National Night Out. LGP came in 7th place and they want to come in 1st so we will support this as it moves to a 2-day event.

Cannaday stated the after school program is still in limbo, no real decision has been made. It will probably go to a private company. They have another meeting Thursday that Cannaday will attend. Commissioner Stasty thanked her for the persistence.

In terms of our website analytics, the park district is seeing a significantly increased traffic. The top pages were summer camp related. Commissioner Corte mentioned a need to have summer camp information available for parents earlier. Other towns had it out earlier and parents committed to other programs already.

b. Supervisor of Recreation

A written report distributed to the Board prior to the meeting was introduced by Supervisor of Recreation Dean Carrera. There were over 100 people at Daddy/Daughter date night. Roy Rogers came back and helped out. Carrera and SEASPAR helped organize an inclusive area for the egg hunt. Questions were asked and answered.

c. Recreation Supervisor

A written report included in the packet by Recreation Supervisor Ashley Jusk was presented by Executive Director Cannaday. Cannaday stated that Jusk is doing an incredible job in summer camp and that the dance recital was fantastic. There were no additions.

d. Community Engagement & Marketing Coordinator

A written report included in the packet by Community Engagement & Marketing Coordinator Amanda Kennedy was presented by Executive Director Cannaday. Kennedy secured Mattone's for a summer sponsorship for the first time ever. Questions were asked and answered.

e. Office Manager

A written report included in the packet by Office Manager Nancy Daum was presented by Executive Director Cannaday. There were no additions.

f. Safety Coordinator

A written report distributed to the Board prior to the meeting by Safety Coordinator Megan Jadron was introduced by Executive Director Cannaday. President Ogden asked if there is protocol in place with coronavirus. Cannaday stated that PDRMA has provided guidelines. Questions were asked and answered.

g. Financial Consultant

Financial statements for the month ending February 29, 2020 and distributed to the Board were introduced by Financial Consultant Phil Mesi. Questions were asked and answered.

9. APPROVE MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS

A Purchase Journal included in the packet prior to the meeting was introduced by Financial Consultant Phil Mesi. Commissioner Ronovsky made a motion to approve the monthly disbursements totaling \$263,717.62; seconded by Commissioner Stastny. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Community Park District 2020-2021 FY Goals. Executive Director Cannaday provided the budget worksheets. There was discussion of what needs to be prioritized to move the agency forward. Cannaday suggested a community-wide survey should be top of priority list, as well as developing programming we are behind on. Questions were asked and answered.

There is a proposal from a local paving company, prioritizing our parks, walkways and courts. Questions were asked and answered. Cannaday recommends making sure we are doing better maintenance on parkways and pathways. A survey and strategic plan will make an impact on what we do right away.

- b. 2020/2021 FY Budget Review

Executive Director Cannaday provided the first draft of the budget. The proposed budget was discussed fund by fund and questions were asked and answered.

- c. Schedule Public Hearing for Budget and Appropriations Ordinance
The Public Hearing for the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance was scheduled for 6:30pm on May 11.

11. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

In Accordance with the Open Meetings Act under Section 2(c)(1) to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.

Commissioner Boyd made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ronovsky, to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:01 p.m. There was no further discussion and motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

12. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING & ROLL CALL

Commissioner Boyd made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Corte, to adjourn the executive session and reconvene to the open session at the hour of 8:22pm.

There was no discussion, and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Ogden, Stastny, Ronovsky, Corte, and Boyd

Nays: None

13. Action, if any, from Executive Session

14. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, April 13, 2020, 6:30pm

15. Adjournment

Commissioner Boyd made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Stastny, to adjourn the March 9, 2020 Board meeting at the hour of 8:25pm.

There was no discussion, and the motion passed by voice vote.