

Minutes
Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Community Park District of La Grange Park
April 11, 2012

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 6:32 pm.

Commissioners present were Lucy Stastny, Karen Boyd, and Jeff Kilrea. Commissioner Popernik was absent. Also present were Executive Director Roy Cripe, Superintendent Dean Carrara, Recreation Supervisor Darla Goudeau, Bookkeeper Phil Mesi, Office Manager Peggy Ronovsky, and Buildings and Grounds Supervisor Martin Healy.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. INTRODUCE THE FY 2012-13 WORKING BUDGET

Executive Director said the purpose of this meeting is to review the proposed budget for the year beginning May 1, 2012 and ending April 30, 2013. He said that the budget will be placed on the web for public inspection for at least 30 days prior to taking final Board action.

A spreadsheet was introduced summarizing estimated revenues and expenses for the year ending April 30, 2012. The year is expected to end with revenue exceeding expense. A spreadsheet was introduced summarizing the proposed budget for 2012-13, which showed expenses exceeding revenue by \$62,000. Executive Director Cripe said that work to present a zero based budget before the May 14th public hearing will be accomplished prior to requesting final Board action.

Executive Director Cripe presented a verbal summary of the Administrative Accounts. During discussion, it was agreed that the next budget draft will show more money coming from 2011-12 less money from 2012-13 for Employee Severance.

Office Manager Ronovsky gave a summary report of the Office Accounts. She said that the Park District will again take advantage of reimbursing the Village of Hinsdale for her insurance coverage under her husband's coverage. She said that the next budget draft will show more money in Computer Services, which will be offset with less money spent from the Office Machine Contracts account.

Park Supervisor Martin Healy gave a verbal summary of the Buildings and Grounds accounts. He said that our 29 Green Ash trees will be treated again this year at a cost of \$100 per tree per treatment. There will be two treatments. He said that he is proposing in his budget a contractual application or weed spray for the fence lines. An explanation

of the Employee Severance account, the Vehicle Supplies account, and the capital asset replacement program was given in responds to questions.

Executive Director Cripe introduced the Recreation Program saying that the staff now feels that program revenue will be as much as 30% less than last year and are in the process of adjusting the budget accordingly.

Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara gave a verbal review of programs under his supervision. He said that he does not see any big changes from last year for the arts, fitness and general programs under his supervision. He said revenue in sports is expected to be lower than last year, which he believes is due to competition with fast pitch softball. Solutions were discussed.

Recreation Supervisor Darla Goudeau gave a verbal review of programs under her supervision. She said that there will be little change in her concerts, arts and special events. She said that Ready Teddy enrollment is expected to be significantly lower in the lower age groups and is taking steps to reduce the impact. Ads for the fall Ready Teddy program began in March. Marketing families enrolled in our Summer Camps should have good results. Also, more review of the program expense budget is expected to reduce the existing budget deficit. Recreation Supervisor Goudeau said that building rentals have increased but there is still room for growth.

Executive Director Cripe gave a verbal presentation of the special purpose funds. The IMRF fund rate is down from the prior year but is expected to be increased slightly next year. We expect little change from last year in the Social Security, Audit and Liability Funds. Attending the Risk Management Institute is being paid this year from the Liability Fund. The Special Recreation Fund will again this year pay for capital project that improve accessibility.

Executive Director Cripe explained how our Bonds and Interest Fund and our Capital Projects Fund is being used differently than in the past as a result of the District's recent refinancing project. Questions regarding proposed capital projects were asked and answered.

4. APPROVE FY 2012-13 BUDGET IN TENTATIVE FORM

Commissioner Boyd made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kilrey to approve the FY2012-13 in tentative form. There was no further discussion and the motion passed with a 4-0 roll call vote. Commissioner Popernik was absent.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Stastny made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Boyd to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.