

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Community Park District of La Grange Park
November 9, 2015

1. 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 6:33 p.m. Other Commissioners present were, Bob Corte, Jeff Kilrea, and Lucy Stastny. Commissioner Tim Ogden was absent. Also present were Executive Director Aleks Briedis, Superintendent Dean Carrara, Maintenance Supervisor Martin Healy, and Financial Coordinator Phil Mesi.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PARK DISTRICT MISSION

President Boyd recited as follows: 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. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

There are none.

5. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Stastny made a motion; seconded by Commissioner Corte to approve the minutes as submitted. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

6. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Jim Zwit was present but had no comments at this time.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A written report provided prior to the meeting was introduced by Executive Director Aleks Briedis. The December meeting will begin at 6:00 pm instead of 6:30 pm due to the Holiday party. Executive Director Briedis reminded the Board to look at the topics for the IAPD/IPRA conference and if anyone is interested in attending to let him know. Included in the board packet was information about the Cook County Community Solar Project. At this point of the process, a surveyor would come out to survey the premises to see if it qualifies to be considered to have solar panels installed on the roof. Executive Director Briedis recommends doing the survey. Due to all of the activity that has been reported on the Police report, a recommendation was made to have more lighting at Beach Oak park. Executive Director Briedis said he is meeting with Chief Rompa this week and will discuss the issues and see if he has any suggestions.

B. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

A written report provided prior to the meeting was introduced to Maintenance Supervisor Marten Healy. There was a discussion regarding the rock wall behind the amphitheater at Memorial Park.

C. SUPERINTENDENT OF RECREATION

A written report provided prior to the meeting was introduced by Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara. The winter brochure will be going to the post office next week. Also, all the programs at Park Jr High on Saturdays are all on. There are about 150 children participating in this session.

D. RECREATION SUPERVISOR

A written report provided prior to the meeting by Recreation Supervisor Darla Goudeau was introduced by Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara. Fireside Stories was a success. The December trip had to be cancelled due to low enrollment. French Class and Baby Musical classes are a couple of new programs that have been introduced.

E. RECREATION SUPERVISOR – MARKETING

A written report provided prior to the meeting by Dave Romito was introduced by Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara. Supervisor Romito has been really busy with Shrek Jr. Our dance instructor, Michelle, will be helping out with Shrek Jr. with choreography as there are a few dance numbers in this play.

F. OFFICE MANAGER

A written report provided prior to the meeting by Office Manager Peggy Ronovsky was introduced by Executive Director Aleks Briedis. There were no additions to the report.

G. SAFETY COORDINATOR

A written report provided prior to the meeting by Safety Coordinator Megan Jadron was introduced by Executive Director Aleks Briedis. There were no additions to the report.

H. FINANCIAL COORDINATOR

Financial statements provided prior to the meeting for the month ending October 31, 2015 was introduced by Financial Consultant Phil Mesi. Questions were asked and answered.

8. APPROVE MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kilrea; seconded by Commissioner Corte to approve the monthly disbursements in the amount of \$321,644.09. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by 4-0 roll call vote; one absent.

Board Recommendation to have all staff who submit mileage reimbursement for the calendar year, to submit it in December.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 03-2015 ANNUAL TAX LEVY

Commissioner Stastny made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Kilrea to approve Ordinance 03-2015, an ordinance levying taxes and assessing taxes for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2016 and ending April 30, 2017 for the Community Park District of La Grange Park, State of Illinois, County of Cook. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by 4-0 roll call vote; one absent.

B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 04-2015 PTELL REDUCTIONS
Commissioner Kilrea made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Stastny to approve Ordinance 04-2015 an ordinance providing for specific reductions of the 2015 property tax levy pursuant to the property tax extension limitation law. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by 4-0 roll call vote; one absent.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. VETERANS MEMORIAL UPDATE – JIM ZWIT

A brief discussion was held regarding the Veterans Memorial. Jim is working with the office staff to come up with verbiage to entice residents to purchase bricks. He is very excited and is looking forward to the ceremony Memorial Day 2016, which will be held at 1:00 pm on Sunday of the holiday weekend. There will be a Veterans Day ceremony on Wednesday November 11, 2015 at 11:00 am.

B. IAPD CREDENTIALS FOR ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The Board needs to elect a delegate and alternate for the IPRA conference at this time.

Commissioner Corte made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Kilrea designate Executive Director Aleks Briedis as the delegate to attend the IPRA Conference. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by 4-0 roll call vote; one absent.

Commissioner Kilrea made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Stastny to designate Commissioner Corte as the alternate and attend the IPRA Conference in the event Executive Director Briedis cannot attend. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by 4-0 roll call vote; one absent.

C. MEMORIAL PARK CONSTRUCTION OBSERVATION PROPOSAL DISCUSSION

Executive Director Briedis made the recommendation to proceed with PRI, Planning Resources Inc, for Memorial Park.

Commissioner Corte made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Stastny to agree to engage PRI for Sections 1 & 2 of the proposal and invite a representative to attend the January 2016 Board meeting to discuss the project. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by 4-0 roll call vote; one absent.

11. OPEN FORUM

A. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

B. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

President Boyd congratulated Danny Kilrea for All State in Cross Country for L.T.H.S. She also encourages the board to attend the conference in January, where a lot can be learned by attending.

12. ADJOURNMENT

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 Kilrea made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Corte to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:26 p.m. and go into Executive Session. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Commissioner Corte made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Stasty to move into Executive Session at 7:27 p.m. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

13. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING & ROLL CALL

President Boyd reconvened the open meeting at 7:58 p.m. Other Commissioners present were, Bob Corte, Jeff Kilrea, and Lucy Stastny. Commissioner Tim Ogden was absent.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Corte made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Stastny to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:58 p.m. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.