

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Community Park District of La Grange Park
January 11, 2016

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 6:31 p.m. Other Commissioners present were, Bob Corte, Tim Ogden, and Lucy Stastny. Commissioner Kilrea was absent. Also present were Executive Director Aleks Briedis, Superintendent Dean Carrara, Marketing Manager Dave Romito, 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 Ogden made a motion; seconded by Commissioner Corte to approve the November 9, 2015 minutes as submitted. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

6. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Darrell Garrison, Planning Resources Inc, and La Grange Park Little League Board Member Ryan McQueeney were in attendance.

The Board agreed to move Unfinished Business Item A, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan & Soil Erosion Control discussion so that Mr. Garrison to can leave the meeting early due to the inclement weather.

Mr. Garrison presented and led the discussion of the master plan of Memorial Park. He informed the Board that he is working with the staff of LandTech to get the autocad base drawings, so that they can manipulate the original plans. He and Director Briedis have met with the Village to review the Memorial Park plans. The Village is more restrictive with their stormwater requirements than MWRD and therefore the plans will need to be updated and submitted. Mr. Garrison then explained the reasons for needing the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan & Soil Erosion Control. He said that he is looking forward to working with the Park District as he was on the team that renovated Memorial Park back in the mid 1990's. Questions were asked and answered.

Mr. McQueeney addressed the Park Board about discussions at the Little League Board meeting. The Little League Board has new members and now is at full strength. He discussed that they are purchasing a new score board and were asking for Park District assistance if needed. They also discussed the need for repairs at the Hanesworth South field and stated that Little League will assist the District with repairs. Painting of the score booth is Little League's responsibility. The Little League Board is thinking of having a fest at Memorial Park instead of the Opening Day Parade. They hope that this may get more participation and a higher enrollment of players. The Park Board stated that they have reservations about having alcohol at this fest. The Park Board suggested that Little League have a back up plan in the event Memorial Park cannot be used due to construction. The Park District Staff requested that the event not be held the same weekend as Run for the Roses. President Boyd thanked Mr. McQueeney for attending.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A written report provided prior to the meeting was introduced by Executive Director Aleks Briedis. Director Briedis discussed paying District bills on-line with Attorney Rick Tarulis. Director Briedis hopes to have a new policy put together for the February meeting. The on-line registration program kickoff meeting is next Thursday. Questions were asked and answered regarding the Salt Creek Bridge. Director Briedis would like to discuss the bridge contract in more detail at the next meeting.

B. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

A written report provided prior to the meeting by Maintenance Supervisor Martin Healy was introduced by Executive Director Aleks Briedis. There were no additions to the report.

C. SUPERINTENDENT OF RECREATION

A written report provided prior to the meeting was introduced by Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara. He informed the Board he went out for bid for the brochure and would like to stay with the current printer. He thanked Director Briedis for playing Santa and Supervisor Romito for making Santa phone calls.

D. RECREATION SUPERVISOR

A written report provided prior to the meeting by Recreation Supervisor Darla Goudeau was introduced by Executive Director Aleks Briedis. Director Briedis stated that the preschool transition seems to be going well.

E. RECREATION SUPERVISOR – MARKETING

A written report provided prior to the meeting was introduced by Marketing Manager Dave Romito. He will have the financial report to Aleks next month and is working on a new survey to distribute to participants of Shrek Jr, some fall classes and enrichment classes.

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 December 31, 2015 was introduced by Financial Consultant Phil Mesi. Questions were asked and answered.

8. APPROVE MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Stastny; seconded by Commissioner Ogden to approve the monthly disbursements in the amount of \$108,841.06. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by 4-0 roll call vote; one absent.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan & Soil Erosion Control Discussion

This was discussed under Recognition of Visitors.

B. Capital Projects and Equipment Needs Discussion

Executive Director Briedis presented a list that was created by the Park District Staff prioritizing projects that need to be completed. A discussion was held regarding the number of tennis courts in our parks. The staff stressed their preference is that we keep all of the courts because of their popularity among tennis players at each park throughout the day. The various courts are also used by CPD-sponsored classes and camps. There are two pieces of equipment that Maintenance Supervisor would like to get this year, a stand up mower and a bunker rake. The Board did not add or make any changes to staff's recommendations.

C. Review of 2015 Work Plan

A discussion was held. Anything that has been highlighted in the report was not complete due to outside sources, for example waiting for the OSLAD Grant. Questions were asked and answered.

D. Review of 2016 Work Schedule and To Do List

A brief discussion was held and questions were asked and answered.

10. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business

11. OPEN FORUM

A. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

B. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

President Boyd said that we will have a much busier year.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Corte made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Ogden to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:54 p.m. MOTION CARRIED. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.