

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Community Park District of La Grange Park
October 10, 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 6:28 p.m. Other Commissioners present were, Bob Corte, Tim Ogden, and Lucy Stastny. Commissioner Jeff Kilrea was absent. Also present were Executive Director Aleks Briedis, Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara, and Financial Coordinator Phil Mesi.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

President Boyd requested a moment of silence for former President Bill Yena.

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

Under New Business, Item G, Approval Credentials for IAPD Annual Meeting.

5. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Ogden made a motion to approve the September 12, 2016 regular meeting minutes as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Corte. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

There were no visitors

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A written report was included in the packet by Executive Director Aleks Briedis. Director Briedis noted that two of his memos had the same date, and corrected the incorrect memo with the correct date. There will also be a mock lockdown for the building on Tuesday, October 11, 2016. Safety Coordinator Megan Jadron and representatives from the La Grange Park Police will be in attendance to make sure this drill is done correctly. Director Briedis, President Boyd, and Recreation Supervisor Ashley Simoncelli attended the 125th Birthday Celebration Committee

meeting and said there are a lot of good ideas for the celebration. The chili cook off has been cancelled and we will try again next year.

B. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

A written report was included in the packet by Maintenance Supervisor Martin Healy and was presented by Director Briedis. There were no additions. Questions regarding the temporary fence at Memorial Park, the lighting at the tennis/hockey courts and Memorial Park, and Stone Monroe storage door replacement were asked and answered.

C. SUPERINTENDENT OF RECREATION

A written report was included in the packet by Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara. There were no additions to his report. Questions regarding Senior Bingo, Cubs trip, and getting participation from Plymouth Place and Bethlehem Woods were asked and answered. Superintendent of Recreation Carrara informed the board that the numbers for the fall programs at Park Jr High on Saturday mornings are low, but it's still weeks away and more participants should be signing up.

D. RECREATION SUPERVISOR

A written report was included in the packet by Recreation Supervisor Ashley Simoncelli was presented by Director Briedis. There were no additions. Questions regarding Ready Teddy fundraising were asked and answered.

E. RECREATION SUPERVISOR - MARKETING

A written report was included in the packet by Recreation Supervisor Dave Romito and was presented by Director Briedis. There were no additions to the report. There are 117 kids that are divided into two casts for production Beauty and the Beast.

F. OFFICE MANAGER

A written report was included in the packet by Office Manager Peggy Ronovsky and was presented by Director Briedis. There were no additions to the report.

G. SAFETY COORDINATOR

A written report was included in the packet by Safety Coordinator Megan Jadron and was presented by Director Aleks Briedis. There were no additions.

H. FINANCIAL COORDINATOR

Financial statements were included in the packet for the month ending September 30, 2016 by Financial Consultant Phil Mesi. Questions were asked and answered.

8. APPROVE MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Stastny to approve the monthly disbursements in the amount of \$81,584.67. Seconded by Commissioner Corte. Motion passed 4-0 by a roll call vote.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. REVIEW OF BUDGET WITH AUDIT FINANCIALS

Director Briedis included the review of the audited financials as they were not included in last month's packet. No action required.

B. UPDATE ON MEMORIAL PARK

Director Briedis informed the Board that there is not a new update. We are still waiting to hear back from Kee Construction on their updated project costs. Builders Land will use the same budget that they originally bid. They will start construction in the Spring of 2017, with an expected completion date of July 1, 2017, before the 125th Birthday Celebration.

C. UPDATE ON BEACH OAK PARK

Director Briedis spoke in front of the judge and hopes the property will be officially the District's in the next couple of months.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION OF BENCH FOR BILL YENA AT YENA PARK

A discussion was held. President Boyd stated that this is not setting a precedent and is memorializing the impact Bill Yena had with the Community of La Grange Park.

Commissioner Corte made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Stastny to approve the expense not to exceed \$2,000 to purchase a bench and plaque in memory of Bill Yena. Motion passed 4-0 by a roll call vote.

B. RESOLUTION 02-2016 FOR COMMEMORATING BILL YENA

President Boyd read the drafted resolution.

Commissioner Stastny made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Corte to approve Resolution 02-2016 for Commemorating Bill Yena. Motion passed 4-0 by a roll call vote.

C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LITTLE LEAGUE CONTRACT AND/OR SUPPORT LETTER

A discussion was held. The Little League Board already approved the contract, however Director Briedis informed Little League there will be an amended contract sent to them once approved.

Commissioner Corte made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Stastny to approve the amended agreement. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- D. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ESTIMATED 2016 TAX LEVY ORDINANCE 04-2016
A discussion was held. Questions were asked by the board and answered by Director Briedis.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ogden to approve the 2016 Tax Levy Ordinance 04-2016 in draft form. Seconded by Commissioner Corte. Motion passed 4-0 by a roll call vote.

- E. SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2016 TAX LEVY

Commissioner Stastny made the motion to approve setting of a public hearing to be held at 6:30 p.m. on November 14, 2016 for the purpose of discussing the 2016 tax levy. Seconded by Commissioner Corte. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- F. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MEMORIAL PARK SHELTER CONTRACT WITH BUILDERS LAND

A discussion was held. Director Briedis is looking for approval for him to sign contract with PRI not to exceed the amount of \$270,000.

Commissioner Stastny made the motion to approve Executive Director Briedis to sign a contract with PRI not to exceed the amount of \$270,000 to build the shelter. Seconded by Commissioner Corte. Motion passed 4-0 by a roll call vote.

- G. CONSIDER CREDENTIALS FOR ANNUAL IAPD MEETING IN JANUARY 2017

A discussion was held. Director Briedis volunteered to be the delegate for the January 21, 2017 conference. Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara will be the first alternate, and President Boyd will be the second alternate.

Commissioner Ogden made the motion to appoint Executive Director Aleks Briedis as the delegate to the annual meeting of the governing board at the IAPD and Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara as first alternate, and President Karen Boyd as the second alternate. Seconded by Commissioner Corte. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

11. OPEN FORUM

- A. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no comments

- B. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS

There were no comments

- C. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

President Boyd attended the Memorial for Bill Yena and was pleased the turnout was so strong. It proves on what an impact Mr. Yena had towards the community.

There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for Memorial Park during the 125th Birthday Celebration. President Boyd informed the Board she will be sending out evaluations to discuss Director Briedis' contract and there will be an Executive Session at the November meeting.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Corte made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:42 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Ogden. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.