

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE PARK DISTRICT OF LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS
HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
536 EAST AVENUE, LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS**

SEPTEMBER 16, 2010

President Penicook called the meeting to order at 7:32 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Penicook, Ashby, Walsh, Belcaster

ABSENT: Commissioners Kelpsas

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director Dean Bissias, Superintendent of Finance Leynette Kuniej, Superintendent of Recreation Laura Gallagher, Recording Secretary Ginger Zeman

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Rob Bush, Dave Emmanuel from Public Research Group, Ken Novak, Thom Rae, Harlan Hirt, and Kevin Shields

President Penicook welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for changes to the agenda.

Communications, Presentations & Declarations

Public Comments/ Participation

Harlan Hirt, 421 S. Spring, submitted a written copy to the Board of his comments this evening. He stated he is a member of the Friends of the Park and the La Grange Environmental Control Commission however he is not speaking on behalf of either of these organizations. He stated he is speaking as an engineer regarding the Gordon Park drainage. He stated the project should not begin until it is approved by the Village and the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District.

Monthly FOIA Summary

President Penicook stated there were three FOIA requests since the last meeting. Harlan Hirt made two FOIA requests and Kevin Shields made one. Detailed information regarding these requests is in the Board Packet.

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Update from Public Research Group on the PDLG Park and Recreation Master Plan
Dave Emmanuel asked the Board to review the draft of the master plan before the workshop on Wednesday October 13, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.

Safety Presentation

Ken Novak, the Risk Manager of South Suburban Risk Management Group, presented the Board with a plaque from PDRMA in recognition of the loss control review in 2009. He thanked the Park District for their safety and commitment to safety.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve Item 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of August 12, 2010 and August 26, 2010; Item 3.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Special Executive Board Session of August 12, 2010 and August 26, 2010; Item 3.3 Approval of the Financial Report dated August 31, 2010; Item 3.4 Approval of the Consolidated Vouchers for September dated September 16, 2010. Commissioner Belcaster seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Penicook, Walsh, Ashby, Belcaster

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Kelpsas

Staff Reports

Director Bissias stated Kiwanis Club will host their weekly meetings at our Rec Center on Thursdays beginning in October.

Superintendent of Finance, Leynette Kuniej stated she is slowly liquidating funds to pay bills as the real estate taxes are late this year. Commissioner Belcaster mentioned a contingency plan should be in place until March 1.

Superintendent of Recreation, Laura Gallagher stated registration numbers were down from last year at this time. President Penicook noted fitness classes had an increase in enrollment per Recreation Supervisor Chris Finn's Board Report.

Attorney Report

None

Treasurer Report

None

Action Items

None

Board Business

New Business

Approval of Organizational Chart

Commissioner Belcaster motioned to approve the Park District of La Grange Organizational Chart. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Voice Vote.

Approval of Linda Muth and Katie Walsh as Additional Freedom of Information Act Officers

Commissioner Belcaster motioned to approve Linda Muth and Katie Walsh as additional Freedom of Information Act Officers. Commissioner Ashby seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Voice Vote.

Old Business

Review of MBO's for Fiscal Year 2010-2011

Director Bissias stated the review of MBO's is a quarterly progress report requested by the Board.

Committee Reports

Administration Committee

None

Marketing Committee

President Penicook stated Commissioner Kelsas would take over this committee.

Finance and Capital Projects Committee

None

Recreation Committee

None

Park and Facility Committee

Commissioner Belcaster stated Commissioner Kelsas has not followed up with revised forms for this committee.

Board Member Comments

Commissioner Belcaster congratulated Director Bissias and staff for earning the risk management award.

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President Penicook reminded everyone of Rocktoberfest this Saturday at Gordon Park. It is a fundraiser for the Community Nurse. She also congratulated staff for earning the safety reward.

Executive Session

At 8:11 P.M. Commissioner Belcaster motioned the Board convene to Executive Session pursuant to Item 11.1 Potential Claims and/or Litigation, 5 ILCS 120/2 (2)11; Item 11.2 Acquisition, Lease and/or Disposition of Real Property, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5&6); Item 11.3 Personnel, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1). Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Ashby, Penicook, Walsh, Belcaster
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Kelpsas

The Board Meeting resumed at 9:45 P.M.

There were no action items from Executive Session to vote on.

Attorney Bush stated all bids for the Gordon Park project would be rejected at the meeting on Monday September 20, 2010 and rebid at another time due to the timeliness of the posting in the newspaper. The meeting scheduled for September 28, 2010 with W.B. Olson Inc. would be cancelled and Director Bissias would email new dates.

Adjournment

Commissioner Belcaster moved for adjournment at 9:45 P.M. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Walsh and carried.



Mary Ellen Penicook, President



Constantine Bissias, Secretary

Approved 10/21/2010