

**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**

APRIL 11, 2016

Vice President Ashby called the meeting to order at 7:08 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Ashby, Walsh, Lacey, Vear*

ABSENT: Commissioner Penicook**

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director Dean Bissias, Superintendent of Finance Leynette Kuniej, Superintendent of Recreation Laura Gallagher, Superintendent of Facilities Chris Finn, Superintendent of BASE Leanna Hartung, Recording Secretary Ginger Zeman

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Rob Bush

* Commissioner Vear arrived at 7:39 P.M.

** Commissioner Penicook was attending the Village of La Grange Board Meeting.

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

Communications, Presentations & Declarations

Public Comments/Participation (Board Manual Section #152)

None

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Lacey motioned to approve Item 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 7, 2016; Item 3.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session Board Meeting of March 7, 2016; Item 3.3 Approval of the Special Board Meeting of March 14, 2016; Item 3.4 Approval of the Financial Report dated March 31, 2016; Item 3.5 Approval of the Consolidated Vouchers for April dated April 11, 2016. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Ashby, Walsh, Lacey

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Penicook, Vear

Staff Reports

Director's Report

Update on Capital Budget for 2016-2017

Director Bissias gave copies of the proposed 2016-2017 Capital Budget to the Board for their review. The budget will be voted on next month. The Public Hearing will take place at 7:00 P.M. before the regular scheduled meeting.

Update of Other Park District Matters

Director Bissias informed the Board that Superintendent of Recreation Laura Gallagher resigned. He thanked her for 8 years of service and wished her good luck in her future and her move to South Carolina. Vice President Ashby stated on behalf of the Board, he does not blame her for moving south and wishes her good luck in her future endeavors, and appreciates all she has done here at the Park District.

Attorney Report

Attorney Rob Bush gave a summary of the current status of the Coryell case.

Treasurer Report

None

Action Items

Discussion and/or Approval of SEASPAR Budget for 2016-2017

Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve the SEASPAR Budget for 2016-2017. Commissioner Lacey seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Ashby, Walsh, Lacey
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Commissioners Penicook, Vear

Discussion and/or Approval of Ordinance 16-03 Contract Renewal with Chicago Bulls/White Sox Academy

Director Bissias highlighted the changes in the draft for the renewal agreement with the Chicago Bulls/White Sox Academy. The main difference in this contract is the Chicago Bulls/White Sox Academy would use the facility for a fee daily from 3:00 P.M. December 1 through April 30 and for any camps they may have. The Park District would be able to use it without fees all day May 1 through December 1 and then before 3:00 P.M. the other months. Director Bissias asked the Board to forward any questions via email as the final contract will be voted on next month.

Discussion and/or Possible Approval of an Easement with ComEd at Gordon Park

Attorney Bush stated he received a request from ComEd for an easement for utilities in Gordon Park for the Opus project. There was consensus that an easement approval should be negotiated with the Park District and our buyer prior to the sale of our property.

Board Business

Old Business

Discussion and/or Approval of MBO's for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

There was Board discussion regarding the Sedgwick Park shelter. There was consensus that if there was enough money to fund the shelter, then it should be built. There was discussion about designing the veteran's memorial and the Gordon Park entrance but not funding it until the land is sold. There was discussion about creating the dog park. Commissioner Lacey suggested contacting the La Grange Pet Parade to sponsor our dog park. Commissioner Walsh motioned to approve the MBO's as is. Commissioner Lacey seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES	Commissioners Ashby, Walsh, Lacey
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Commissioner Vear, Penicook

Commissioner Vear arrived at 7:39 P.M.

New Business

Discussion and/or Approval of Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Vice President Ashby asked the Board to review the 2016-2017 Capital Budget and contact Director Bissias or Superintendent of Finance Leynette Kuniej before the next meeting if there were any questions.

Discussion Regarding June Board Meeting

Director Bissias stated the June meeting is short and that nominations and voting on the prevailing wage could be moved to the May meeting. He asked if they would like to cancel the June meeting. The Board would decide next month.

Committee Reports

Administration Committee

None

Public Relations Committee

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None

Finance & Capital Project Committee

None

User Group Committee

None

Public Comments (Board Manual Section #152)

None

Board Comments

Commissioner Vear apologized for arriving late. He stated a few residents commented to him that the postcard that was mailed out anonymously to residents about the Park District selling 2.82 acres in Gordon Park was poorly done.

Commissioner Lacey stated she will miss Laura Gallagher and she will be missed at the Park District as well.

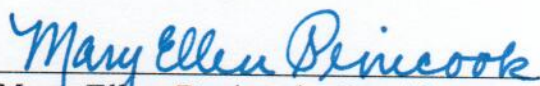
Commissioner Ashby was frustrated to see people misconstrue the facts about the Park District. He stated we are a transparent body and if anyone wants to be a commissioner they can be one.

Executive Session

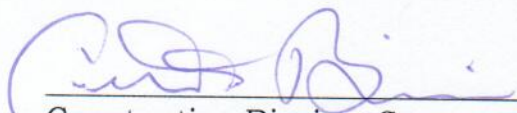
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Adjournment

Commissioner Walsh moved for adjournment at 7:52 P.M. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lacey and passed unanimously by Voice Vote.



Mary Ellen Penicook, President



Constantine Bissias, Secretary
Approved 5/16/2016