

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Community Park District of La Grange Park
March 13, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Boyd called the meeting to order in room 101 of the Recreation Center, 1501 Barnsdale Road, La Grange Park, IL at 6:27 p.m. Other Commissioners present were Tim Ogden and Lucy Stastny. Also present were Executive Director Aleks Briedis, Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara, Office Manager Peggy Ronovsky, Recreation Supervisor Ashley Simoncelli, Financial Coordinator Phil Mesi, and Recording Secretary Laura Sullivan.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PARK DISTRICT MISSION

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 were no additions or deletions

5. APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Ogden made a motion to approve the February 13, 2017 regular meeting minutes as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Stastny. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Stastny made a motion to approve the February 13, 2017 executive session meeting minutes as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Ogden. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

There were no visitors in attendance.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. Executive Director

A written report was included in the packet by Executive Director Aleks Briedis. He said currently no work is being done at Memorial Park due to the cold weather. Once the weather breaks, construction will resume and concrete will be poured.

B. Building & Grounds

A written report was included in the packet by Maintenance Supervisor Martin Healy and was presented by Executive Director Briedis. There were no additions to his report.

C. Superintendent of Recreation

A written report was included in the packet by Superintendent of Recreation Dean Carrara. He reported the children's dance recital had about 800 attendees. Also the whiffle ball championship game is on March 22, 2017 with six teams playing.

Phil Mesi suggested contacting their representative from MB Financial, as they are looking to sponsor a park district program.

D. Recreation Supervisor

A written report was included in the packet by Recreation Supervisor Ashley Simoncelli. She informed the board Spring Break is in two weeks and the Science Fair is on March 15, 2017.

E. Recreation Supervisor

A written report was included in the packet by Recreation Supervisor Dave Romito and was presented by Executive Director Briedis. There were no additions to his report.

F. Office Manager

A written report was included in the packet by Office Manager Peggy Ronovsky. There were no additions. The board asked how it was going without the postage machine and she responded it is going well.

G. Safety Coordinator

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

H. Financial Consultant

Financial statements were included in the packet for the month ending February 28, 2017 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 \$140,553.19. Seconded by Commissioner Ogden. Motion passed 3-0 by a roll call vote.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Update on Memorial Park

Executive Director Briedis informed the board that the plastic wrap and frost barriers were put down and the concrete has been put on hold due to the freezing weather. He is hoping for warmer temperatures later on in the week, when the concrete can be poured. This will not be a delay in construction since it is scheduled to be done by May 2017.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider Approval of Ancel Glink as General Corporate Counsel for the District
Executive Director included in the packet the engagement letter form Ancel Glink. A discussion was held and questions were asked and answered.

Commissioner Ogden made the motion to approve the hiring of Ancel Glink as the Community Park District of La Grange Park's corporate counsel. Seconded by Commissioner Stastny. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Review First Draft of 2017-18 Budget

Executive Director Briedis put together the first draft of the budget and provided it in the packet. A discussion was held going through each fund and questions were

asked and answered. There will be a Special Meeting on Monday April 3, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. President Boyd thanked Director Briedis for all the hard work he has put in so far.

11. OPEN FORUM

A. Comments from the Floor

There were no comments.

B. Comments from Commissioners

Commissioner Ogden asked for clarification regarding a meeting with the union representative. Director Briedis explained that the union would like to discuss with him and President Boyd about passing an ordinance stating that the District would only hire contractors that have apprenticeships. Director Briedis will inform the outcome of the meeting to the Board.

C. Comments from the President

President Boyd thanked everyone for attending the ground breaking ceremony at Memorial Park. She is also attending a meeting at Plymouth Place to see how they can participate more with the park district. On April 13, 2017 the library will hold an anniversary event called "how to research the history of your house," that begins at 7:00 p.m. Finally, she informed the board that the park district will put a picture tile at the Village Hall.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Stastny made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:12 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Ogden. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.