

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD 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**

AUGUST 26, 2010

President Kelsas called the meeting to order at 6:36 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Penicook, Ashby, Walsh, Kelsas,
Belcaster

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director Dean Bissias, Recording Secretary
Ginger Zeman

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Jim Rock, Kevin Shields, Jim Boo, Jane
Michaels from the Doings, Joe Sonopoli from Suburban
Life, Katherin Hillman, Alex Keown from La Grange
Patch

President Kelsas welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated this special meeting was called to elect officers with all the board members present. He stated he was withdrawing his nomination as President due to his new job obligations. President Kelsas thanked Commissioner Ashby for nominating him.

Director Bissias stated Steve Paczolt could not be here this evening, but has submitted a letter to the Board.

Communications, Presentations & Declarations

Katherin Hillman, 145 Sawyer La Grange, stated she missed the meeting to review the surveys from the community response and would like to know the results. President Kelsas stated there was some discussion last meeting however more results were being compiled. Commissioner Ashby stated there would be a workshop to review the results in October. Director Bissias stated there is a preliminary report on the website.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Penicook motioned to approve Item 3.1 Approval of the Consolidated Vouchers #2 for August dated August 26, 2010. Commissioner Ashby seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as

follows:

AYES: Commissioners Penicook, Walsh, Kelpsas, Belcaster, Ashby
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

Staff Reports

Director Bissias stated he met with representatives from the Village of La Grange, Lyons Township High School, and La Grange Memorial Hospital regarding a traffic study for a stop light on Gilbert Avenue by Denning Park. He stated a grant would fund most of the study. There would be more details to follow.

Attorney Report

None

Action Items

Reconsideration of Bids for the Purchase of New 11 Ft. Rotary Mower

Attorney Rock explained the Board and Staff decided to purchase a different mower than the lowest bid. He stated it met all specifications however all the bids need to be rejected and a new bid process would begin with the mower recommended. The State of Illinois offers bid prices to purchase from. Commissioner Penicook motioned to reject all bids for the 11Ft. Rotary Mower. Commissioner Ashby seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

Purchase New 11 Ft. Rotary Mower

Commissioner Belcaster motioned to purchase a Toro Groundskeeper 4000D at state contract price with trade in of 1999 Jacobsen 1115 mower for \$3,000 credit with total purchase price not to exceed \$38,900. Commissioner Penicook seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYE: Commissioners Kelpsas, Ashby, Walsh, Penicook, Belcaster
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None

Board Business

New Business

None

Old Business

The candidates for each office gave a brief statement prior to voting. Director Bissias announced the winners. Commissioner Penicook is Board President.

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Commissioner Belcaster is Vice President. Director Bissias is Secretary. Steve Paczolt is Treasurer.

Board Comments

Commissioner Penicook thanked the Board for their vote of confidence. She stated she is looking forward to serving as President and would be happy to take suggestions and use everyone's talents to their fullest.

Commissioner Belcaster stated it was a pleasure to work with President Kelsas and all the work he accomplished.

President Kelsas thanked the Board for their trust the past 2 years. He stated being President or Vice President is a very public position and very different than being just a commissioner.

Executive Session

At 7:25 P.M. Commissioner Belcaster motioned the Board convene to Executive Session pursuant to Item 9.1 Potential Claims and/or Litigation, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)11; Item 9.2 Acquisition, Lease and/or Disposition of Real Property, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5&6); Item 9.3 Personnel, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1). Commissioner Penicook seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote as follows:

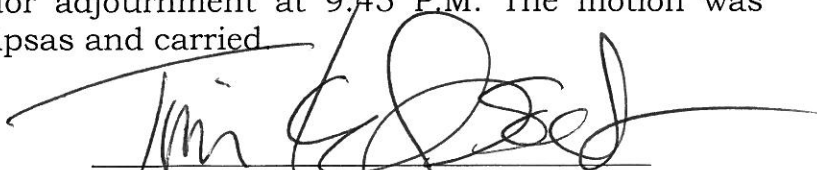
AYES: Commissioners Belcaster, Penicook, Walsh, Kelsas, Ashby
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None

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

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

Adjournment

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


Tim Kelsas, President


Constantine Bissias, Secretary

Approved 09/16/2010