

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS of the Park District of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois was held in the Administration Building of the Park District of Forest Park, 7501 Harrison Street, Forest Park, Illinois at 6:00 p.m. on June 3, 2010.

Roll Call: President McDermott chaired the meeting. Commissioners Alonzo, Doss, Entler and McDermott answered present. Commissioner Sansone was an excused absence. Also present were Director Larry Piekarz, Superintendent Larry Buckley, Superintendent Erin Parchert and Secretary Chris Richards. Also in attendance was citizen Al Bloedel, a former treasurer of the Park District.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Motion was made by Commissioner Alonzo, seconded by Commissioner Entler to approve the agenda. Ayes: 4.

Correspondence

The Board reviewed the correspondence file which included thank you notes from Joanne Leber for our Resolution upon her retirement and gift of a life-time pool pass and from the family of Joseph Fatigato (Andrea Balsavich's father), a copy of a letter from Director Piekarz thanking Ms. Shelley Bagri for her donation to the District of fitness equipment valued at \$1200.00 and a letter from President McDermott to the Mayor and Council of the Village of Forest Park advising the Council that the District is not currently in a financial position to pursue the purchase of the Altenheim Property, however would be interested in discussing cooperative ideas for the development of the property should they have any to present.

Public Comment:

None.

Director's Report:

-Director Piekarz reported that 2010 pool pass purchases through June 2, 2010 total \$81,723.00 and pool revenue to date totals \$104,649.00, including passes, pool rentals, lessons and pool programs. The pool opened on May 28th as scheduled, with cooperation from the weather.

-Larry discussed the change in employee health insurance through District #91. The Blue Cross/Blue Shield HMO premiums were scheduled to increase about 22%. District #91 has researched more affordable options and will be changing to United Healthcare at a savings of 28% of what it would have been with the increase and a savings of 22% of what we were paying. Larry said he checked with PDRMA and they could not match United's cost. The change will be effective on July 1, 2010

-Larry said that he has received one quote for the tennis court resurfacing of \$21,000, but would like to get more quotes. USTA will be covering 20% through a grant. Larry Buckley will be working on getting quotes for the west end parking lot.

-Director Piekarz reported that he has done a lot of investigating and has worked with Charlene on the energy service contract. Because the price index changes day by day,

by the time a board meeting comes around, the quotes that he has received are no longer valid. He explained a little about the pricing for both gas and electric service. He has been working primarily with Direct Energy as they are offering the best rates and their references are very good. Because of the frequent rate fluctuations, he has asked that the Board allow him to negotiate and enter into a contract for electric service, confirming the Board's approval through a phone poll. Motion was made by Commissioner Alonzo, seconded by Commissioner Doss to authorize Director Piekarz to negotiate and enter into a contract with an energy provider for the purpose of reducing energy costs. Roll Call: Commissioners Alonzo, Doss, Entler and McDermott; Nays: None. Absent: Sansone.

-Larry outlined upcoming events: Triton's Golf Outing on June 24th and the 16" Softball Hall of Fame Golf Outing on August 18th and asked Commissioners to let him know if they would attend.

-Superintendent Parchert commented that we have been working with a vendor who is updating our website, which should be up in a month or so. We would like to include Commissioners' photos on the website and Chris Guillen has agreed to take the portraits, so Erin would like the Board to set up a date that they will be able to have them taken.

Executive Session

Motion was made at 6:20 p.m. by Commissioner Alonzo, seconded by Commissioner Entler, to enter into Closed Session under the Open Meetings Act Section 2(c)1 for the purpose of discussion of matters concerning personnel, Section 2(c)(5) for the purpose of discussion of the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District and Section 2(c)11 for the purpose of discussion of pending or probable and imminent litigation against, affecting or on behalf of the District. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Alonzo, Doss, Entler and McDermott, Nays: None, Absent: Sansone.

The Board reconvened in Regular Session at 7:08 p.m.

New Business:

-Motion was made by Commissioner Alonzo, seconded by Commissioner Doss, to grant a salary increase of 8% to Director Piekarz effective immediately and retroactive to May 1, 2010. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Alonzo, Doss, Entler and McDermott, Nays: None, Absent: Sansone.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Alonzo, seconded by Commissioner Entler at 6:10 p.m. Ayes:4.

Submitted by: Chris Richards, Secretary

Approved: Cathleen McDermott, Board of Park Commissioners

Eric Entler, Board of Park Commissioners

Date:

June 17, 2010