

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 July 16, 2015.

ROLL CALL: President McDermott chaired the meeting, calling it to order at 6:06 pm.. Commissioners Doss, Walsh and McDermott answered present. Commissioner Entler arrived at 6:27 pm and Commissioner Sansone was an excused absence. Also present were Director Larry Piekarz, Assistant Director Steve Thomas, Superintendent Larry Buckley, Treasurer Joe Murray and Secretary Chris Richards. Resident Michael Thompson was also in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion was made by Commissioner Doss, seconded by Commissioners Walsh to approve the agenda. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Doss, Walsh and McDermott; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioners Entler and Sansone.

-APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

-Motion was made by Commissioner Walsh, seconded by Commissioner Doss, to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2015 Regular Board Meetings. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Doss, Walsh and McDermott; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioners Entler and Sansone.

-Motion was made by Commissioner Walsh, seconded by Commissioner Doss, to approve the minutes of the July 2, 2015 Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Doss, Walsh and McDermott; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioners Entler and Sansone.

CORRESPONDENCE:

-The Board reviewed the Correspondence File which included a thank you note from the Petrey family for our recent contribution to their fundraiser.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

-None.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

-Treasurer Murray reviewed the lists of computer checks totaling \$120,107.69 and manual checks and electronic transactions totaling \$8472.38 for a grand total of \$128,580.07 in disbursements for June and July 2015. Motion was made by Commissioner Doss, seconded by Commissioner Walsh, to approve the disbursements for June and July 2015. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Doss, Walsh and McDermott; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioners Entler and Sansone.

-Joe reported that fund balances for the close of June 2015 totaled \$5,279,940.75.. Reports show that the balance invested in the Money Market fund at Forest Park National Bank as of July 14, 2015 was \$298,277.48 and \$4,927,294.38 remains invested in accounts with the Illinois Park District Liquid Asset Fund. Motion was made by Commissioner Walsh, seconded by Commissioner Doss, to accept the Financial Statements for the close of June 2015. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Doss, Walsh and McDermott; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioners Entler and Sansone.

-Treasurer Murray told the Board that for the 2014 Levy we experienced a 2.9% drop in our EAV.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS' REPORT:

-Superintendent Buckley's report on his department's activities this month highlighted preparations for the tournament and the receipt of the new ranger cart. He said that he has received one quote for the in-line skating ring for about \$18,000, but is waiting for additional quotes.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

-Assistant Director Thomas said that tournament preparations are a priority for his department as well and also noted that the Road to Freedom ADA Bus will be at the Park tomorrow

afternoon and there is also a Movie in the Park scheduled for tomorrow night. Larry said that Currie Motors is sponsoring the Movies in the Park. Steve said that staff is also working on the Fall brochure and that our PDRMA Loss Control Audit is taking place this year.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

- Director Piekarz’ reported that pool revenue is still down primarily due to the cool and rainy weather, however expenses are down as well.
- Larry said that our attorneys are reviewing working for our Invitation to Bid for cleanup work to begin on the Roos property. At the August 6, 2015 Regular Board Meeting, Jerry Aulisio will present options for the Roos Property if grant funds are not released. If the funds are released, work may proceed as planned, however without the grant funds significant changes in the scope of the project will be needed.
- Larry said that the Tournament Volunteer Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 22nd. President McDermott will address the volunteers and Asst. Director Thomas has a list of safety instructions. The Play-in Games will be held Saturday and the Hall of Fame will host a Chicago Police vs. Fire Department game. There was some confusion as to whether there would be a Volunteer Meeting this year and Larry thought that the Board wanted to resume the practice of having a meeting. There was some discussion and the consensus was that the Board will decide after we see what kind of attendance we have this year. The Board also agreed that the “after party” will be discontinued.

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF PARK DISTRICTS REPORT:

-None.

FOREST PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT 91 CITIZENS’ ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT:

-None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

-None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

-None..

NEW BUSINESS:

- A Special Meeting will be scheduled for next Thursday, July 23, 2015 at 5:30 pm for the Public Hearing on the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance and also to pass the ordinance which must be submitted to the Cook County Clerk’s office by July 31, 2015.
- President McDermott initiated discussion with regard to the Administrative Building Parking Lot. We are adding two additional handicapped parking spots. President McDermott said that she thinks that acceptable use of the staff/Commissioner lot be consistent.

ADJOURNMENT:

-Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Doss at 6:33 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Walsh.. Ayes: 4.

Submitted by: _____ Secretary

Approved: _____ Board of Park Commissioners

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Date: _____

