

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 April 19, 2018.

ROLL CALL: President Doss chaired the meeting, calling it to order at 6:00 pm.. Commissioners Entler, McDermott, Sansone and Doss answered present. Commissioner Walsh was an excused absence. Also present were Director Larry Piekarz, Treasurer Joe Murray and Secretary Chris Richards. Resident Michael Thompson was also in attendance and Jerry Lorden of Forest Park Kiwanis and the Forest Park Historical Society arrived at 6:03 p.m..

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion was made by Commissioner Entler, seconded by Commissioners Sansone, to approve the agenda with the addition of a Special Guest Presentation by Athletic Supervisor Andrew Doss after Public Comment Item # 6. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Entler, McDermott, Sansone and Doss; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioner Walsh.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

-Motion was made by Commissioner Sansone, seconded by Commissioner Entler, to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2018 Regular Board Meetings. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Entler, McDermott and Sansone; Nays: None; Abstention: Commissioner Doss; Absent: Commissioner Walsh.

CORRESPONDENCE:

-The Board reviewed the correspondence file which included a letter from Michael Thompson of the American Legion advising us of their intention to hold the annual Memorial Day celebration on May 28, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. and a letter from IAPD notifying us that we were again awarded the \$1000.00 PowerPlay grant for after school programing.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

-None.

SPECIAL GUEST:

-Athletic Supervisor Andrew Doss addressed the Board to brief them on plans for the Roos Recreation Center which will open at the end of next month. He outlined planned hours of operation, fitness center membership and open gym fees, anticipated open gym hours, and amenities offered at the facility. He also discussed membership definitions with regard to categories of memberships and age restrictions and the potential of offering gym rental, however recommended that no rentals be allowed in the first few months. He reviewed recommendations for discounts which were limited to 50% off annual membership for Commissioners, full-time staff, police firefighters, paramedics and full-time Village employees and 10% annual membership for part-time year-round employees and a no-charge policy for veterans. He stressed that all elements included in the presentation are subject to Board discussion and revision. Commissioners posed questions, shared comments and thanked him for his work. He reminded them that the VIP Party will be held May 19th at 6:00 p.m. and the Grand Opening Celebration for the public will be held on May 26th beginning with the Ribbon Cutting at 10:00 a.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

-Treasurer Murray reviewed the lists of computer checks totaling \$488,237.19 and manual checks and electronic transactions totaling \$11,265.95 for a grand total of \$499,503.14 in disbursements for March and April 2018. Motion was made by Commissioner McDermott, seconded by Commissioner Entler to approve the disbursements for March and April 2018. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Entler, McDermott, Sansone and Doss; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioner Walsh.

-Joe reported that fund balances for the close of March totaled \$1,872,951.74. Reports show that the balance invested in the Money Market funds at Forest Park National Bank as of April 17, 2018

were \$1,035,574.60 and the OSLAD Money Market account shows a balance of \$200,567.86. \$601,291.45 remains invested in our accounts with the Illinois Park District Liquid Asset Fund. Motion was made by Commissioner Entler, seconded by Commissioner Sansone, to accept the Financial Statements for the close of March 2018. Joe noted that the Levy Edit Report was available this week. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Entler, McDermott, Sansone and Doss; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioner Walsh.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

-None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

-Director Piekarz reported that Fitness Factory has installed the equipment at the Roos Center and has taken photos that they will be using for their catalog. He has received a request from Chris Harris to name the Roos Multi-purpose room the "Kiwanis Room". He asked Mr. Lordan to address the Board at this time if this relates to the purpose of his attendance this evening. Mr. Lordan was not aware of Mr. Harris' request, but he did want to discuss the subject of naming rights and briefly discussed common procedures used by organizations in this regard. He also discussed Kiwanis' history with the Roos Building stating that their first meeting was held there 90 years ago. He said that he hoped that the Kiwanis Club would be considered when the Board begins discussing naming areas of the new facility and that they are very much interested in having some kind of Kiwanis remembrance in the new facility. He congratulated the Board on their perseverance in bringing the project to fruition. He also spoke on behalf of the Forest Park Historical Society, stating that the Roos Building was an important part of the history of Forest Park and, as part of a project they are conducting, to get a sign up somewhere near the Roos Recreation Center. Finally, the Kiwanis Club is hoping that they could conduct some sort of a picnic at the Roos on Sunday, June 10, 2018. Director Piekarz replied that, because the recommendation of the construction company is not to use the seeded area this season, he believes they could be accommodated, but in another area of the Park.

-Larry said that the rebuild pump has been installed in the pool.

-He asked that anyone interested in attending WSSRA's Derby Gala on May 5, let him know. He reminded the Board that the Annual Senior Luncheon will be held May 2nd, the All School Picnic is scheduled for May 17th and our Garage Sale will be held on April 28th. The Director's job posting has gone to IPRA with all inquiries being referred to President Doss.

-Larry displayed photo's of the quilts Sandy Byrnes is making with No Glove Nationals Tournament shirts. We are planning on selling raffle tickets to raffle one off and the other will be placed in the Hall of Fame Museum. President Doss said that this should be added to the 50th Annual No Glove Nationals Facebook page and raffle tickets should go on sale immediately.

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF PARK DISTRICTS REPORT:

-Commissioner Entler reported that he and Director Piekarz would be attending the IAPD Legislative Conference next Tuesday and Wednesday.

PARK DISTRICT OF FOREST PARK FOUNDATION REPORT:

-None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

-None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

-Mr. Thompson said that he felt that there are many individuals and organizations that would be deserving of naming rights in the Park and Roos Recreation Center and that he felt they should be given an opportunity to appeal for them. On behalf of the American Legion he mentioned that they would like to provide beer at no cost to attendees at the Memorial Day Celebration.

CLOSED SESSION:

-Motion was made by Commissioner Sansone, seconded by Commissioner McDermott, at 6:52 p.m. to enter into Closed Session under Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act for the discussion of matters concerning personnel.

NEW BUSINESS:

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ADJOURNMENT:

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Submitted by:



Secretary

Approved:



Board of Park Commissioners

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Date:

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