

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE PALATINE PARK DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD IN THE PALATINE TOWNSHIP SENIOR CENTER, IN SAID DISTRICT, 505 S. QUENTIN ROAD, PALATINE, ILLINOIS AUGUST 26, 2008 AT 7:00 P.M.

These Minutes are not a verbatim record of what was said during the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER @ 7:00P.M.

Commissioners Present

Jennifer Rogers, President
Andrew McPherson, Vice President
Sue Gould, Treasurer
John Cozza
Robert Schultz

Staff Present

Ron Gbur, Exec. Director
Debbie Smith, Supt. of Finance & Personnel
Ed Tynczuk, Asst. Supt. of Parks
Keith Williams, Supt. of Recreation
Raul Zaldivar, Supt. of Revenue Facilities

Tina Becke, Asst. Supt. of Finance
Donelda Danz, Asst. Supt. of Recreation
Pam Stoltz, Recreation Manager
Andy Rose, Swim Team Coordinator
Bonnie Bennett, Secretary

Citizens and Guests

LeVern Hoover, PAFA
Andy Dogan, PHN
Josh Czerniak, PHN
Doug Holzrichter, PHN
Ryan Rink, Corporate Constr.
Joe Hovance
Bob Alexander, PHGA
Eric Anderson, Harris Bank
Dan Anderson, Swim Team

James Brustad, Swim Team
Lori Brustad, Swim Team
Ann Portmann, Swim Team
Curt Freund, Swim Team
Graham Nelson, Swim Team
Scott Jacobs, PBA
Tony Sansone, PBA
Marty Josten, PYB Travel

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Schultz moved, and Commissioner Cozza seconded, that the Board approve the meeting's Agenda. Gbur stated that Item VII.F (Joint Services Agreement) was removed from the Agenda. By a voice vote, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of August 26, 2008 was unanimously approved as amended.

AYE: Robert Schultz, John Cozza, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson, Jennifer Rogers
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gould moved, and Commissioner Cozza seconded, that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 12, 2008. Noting page 2, Commissioner Gould said that the number of teams applying to participate in the Labor Day Tournament had been transposed. Upon a voice vote, the minutes of the prior meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

- AYE: Robert Schultz, John Cozza, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson, Jennifer Rogers,
- NAY: None
- ABSENT: None

* Upon investigation, the number shown in the minutes was the number stated by Mr. Ellis.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed the previously distributed written Parks and Planning Department Report. Responding to a question, Tynczuk said that the silt accumulated along the bike trail at Birchwood South came from the creek.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed written Revenue Facilities Report. Adding to his report, Zaldivar said that the events held this past weekend were successful for both facilities; Palatine Hills had its Championship Tournament and the NIJHA Show at Palatine Stables was very well received and attended; we had a record number of participants (93) and stalls rented (77)–high gas prices may have contributed to this; Stables Manager Toni Bruns arranged for overflow parking at the Camelot property, and a few last minute additions and/or changes are not unusual with horse shows.

President Rogers noted there were no other Departmental Reports.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

PAFA President, LeVern Hoover, was recognized and proceeded to go through PAFA’s Annual Program Review Presentation (copy attached to official minutes). Mr. Hoover thanked the Board for the opportunity to come before them and for all the support given to the program, with special thanks to Ron Gbur, Pam Stoltz and Ed Tynczuk; this is PAFA’s 42nd year and the objective has not changed; everyone associated with the program is very proud of it and feel the Board has reason to be proud too; the program serves kids from 8 years of age through eighth grade (13/14). Commissioner Schultz said that he has been a Board member for twenty-four years and this was the most informative and comprehensive report he had heard.

Mr. James Brustadt of the Palatine tiger Sharks Swim Team took the floor. Mr. Brustadt thanked the Board and staff for their support of the Swim Team and reiterated Swim Team’s summer season accomplishments, i.e. Splash, Swim-a-thon, ratings for Deaflympics, ranked fifth in State, fifth in Junior Olympics, and fifth place for Senior; 40th year, early registration had record turnout. Getting to the purpose of his attendance, Brustadt said that the program is in dire need of indoor pool time, time allotted to them now by Township High School District #211 is inadequate, i.e. between 8:30–10 p.m. on school nights. A lengthy discussion then ensued between Swim Team parents, staff and commissioners covering the current agreement with #211, the #211 feeder program, issues with personnel (both sides), supposed competition between Swim Team and high school programs for swimmers/participants and solutions that have been offered to #211. At

this time, the Board and staff said that we need to take what is offered; this happens in many sports. Another member of the Swim Team Board spoke saying that a 'pool committee' has put together some ideas for enclosed pool areas which are both viable and affordable; they would get with staff to do a more formal presentation. Williams advised the Board that he would keep them updated regarding the pool time availability issue.

Marty Josten, representative for PYB Travel, took the floor stating that he has come before the Board because he felt he had exhausted all efforts to resolve a dispute with PBA; PYB wants their two existing Travel Teams to go into the PBA Travel program as they are now formed, and PBA will only take one of the Travel Team, and will not guarantee that the team will stay intact. Josten spoke at length on why PYB felt that PBA was not adhering to the affiliate guidelines; how this could result in more under 12 'maverick' teams/leagues, as families would be unsure of their kid being on a Travel Team; kids and families have been together for two years and want the team to stay intact. After hearing PYB's grievances, commissioners responded commenting that they did not think anyone has violated the Park District's guidelines; the Board is not a 'court' and both sides need to sit down with staff; the Board will support Gbur and Williams decision on this matter.

Responding to the accusations, PBA representatives said that PBA is a different type of baseball program serving youth and young adults (male and female) 13 through 20 years of age; participants come not only from PYB but also from Palatine North Little League; the committee strongly feels that PBA is not obligated to 'elevate' intact PYB Travel Teams; there are Travel Teams in each division, their standards are different and as the kids progress, become highly competitive.

President Rogers said that both affiliates should get together with staff and Commissioner Cozza to work these issues out in order to assure quality programs in the future. Commissioners suggested that PYB parents become future PBA Board members; programs work well with volunteers, we don't want to run the programs. Gbur said that every few years this discussion arises; a Travel Team Commission to overlap both programs could be the answer. Commissioner McPherson said that we appreciate all that the volunteers do.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

President Rogers noted that there was no Unfinished Business to be addressed at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

At 8:58 o'clock P.M., the President announced that the next agenda item for the Board of Park Commissioners was a public hearing (the "*Hearing*") to receive public comments on the proposal to sell \$8,000,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) (the "*Alternate Bonds*") and \$3,000,000 General Obligation Limited Bonds (the "*Limited Bonds*") for the purpose of building and equipping a recreation center and related site improvements, and explained that all persons desiring to be heard would have an opportunity to present written or oral testimony with respect thereto.

President Rogers opened the discussion and explained that the reasons for the proposed issuance of the Alternate Bonds were for the purpose of building and equipping a recreation center, and related site improvements. Whereupon the President asked for additional comments from the Park Commissioners; there was none. The President asked if any written testimony concerning the issuance of Alternate Bonds was received, and the Secretary responded that none had been received.

The President asked for oral testimony or any public comments concerning the proposed issuance of the Alternate Bonds; there was none. President Rogers stated that all persons desiring to be heard had been given an opportunity to present oral and written testimony with respect to the proposed issuance of the \$8,000,000 Alternate Bonds.

The President opened the discussion and explained that the reasons for the proposed issuance of the Limited Bonds were also for the purpose of building and equipping a recreation center, and related site improvements. Whereupon the President asked for additional comments from the Park Commissioners; there was none. The President asked if any written testimony concerning the proposed issuance of the Limited Bonds was received; the Secretary said that there was none. Whereupon the President asked for oral testimony or any public comments concerning the proposed issuance of the Limited Bonds; there was none. President Rogers then announced that all persons desiring to be heard had been given an opportunity to present oral and written testimony with respect to the proposed issuance of the \$3,000,000 Limited Bonds.

Commissioner McPherson moved and Commissioner Gould seconded the motion, that the Hearing be adjourned. As no discussion followed, President Rogers directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion.

AYE: John Cozza, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson, Jennifer Rogers,

NAY: Robert Schultz

ABSENT: None

Whereupon the President declared the motion carried and the Hearing was adjourned.

PHN Architect Andy Dogan directed attention to the updated drawings that had been distributed earlier. He told the Board that they were brought up to speed at the last meeting and there really has not been any design changes to speak of; appeared at a zoning hearing but need to provide additional information regarding occupancy and parking—Moser and Gbur are working on this item—no objection to height variance; re-appear before Zoning Board on September 9; trying to stay within budget and maintain schedule; showed samples of exterior brick and panel color ranges (cost and lead time small concern); color palette and materials for interior will be virtually maintenance free (graffiti proof); floors to be some type of vinyl tile on concrete slab, alternate bid will be terrazzo more costly. Don't have to have definite colors, just range of quality and quantity to go to bidding; need to go through types of indoor turf systems—allow bids on several.

Ryan Rink, Corporate Construction, distributed prepared budget sheets showing figures for paving (increased), pre-cast panels (down), aluminum/glass for window, alternate skylight; bottom line - \$12.740M. Reductions, e.g. design contingency reduced to 5%; skylight (-\$127,000), reduce track area costs \$51,000, and removing north end extension -\$55-60,000; light fixtures. Lighting control system still recommended for energy savings; turf will have its own A/C; also high volume, low speed fans; roof is pre-cast concrete. Someone from team will be at the Zoning Board hearing September 9.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to group health insurance renewal. Smith corrected the individual stop loss figure on item 1 of the Board Summary. Commissioner McPherson moved, and Commissioner Cozza seconded, that the Board approve the renewal of the Park District's group health program with TransAmerica (Cairnstone Underwriter) for the twelve month period beginning October 1, 2008, and ending September 30, 2009, said renewal program to be characterized by the eight items listed in the Board Summary. Commissioner Gould said that she asked Smith distributed an overview census of

employees' current and anticipated contributions to the health insurance plan; \$160,000 under budget but still increasing. Commissioner McPherson said that under 'self-insured plan' we will have good years and bad; think the numbers are in line; contributions increase same time as raises are given. Commissioner Schultz commented that there are many places where participants pay more if they have health risks, i.e. overweight; health risk assessment program shows employees are very enthusiastic about their own health; a good incentive. President Rogers requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

AYE: Robert Schultz, John Cozza, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson, Jennifer Rogers

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to Catalog printing bids for 2009. Commissioner Cozza moved, and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners accept the bid of John S. Swift of Des Plaines in the amount of \$74,261 for the printing of the next four program catalogs. President Rogers requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

AYE: Robert Schultz, John Cozza, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson, Jennifer Rogers

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to Falcon Park naming. Commissioner McPherson said that due to the late hour and not wanting to expand the meeting with lengthy discussion regarding this matter, he would like to move that this item of business be postponed to a future meeting. Commissioner Gould seconded the motion. By a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved as follows.

AYE: John Cozza, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson, Robert Schultz, Jennifer Rogers

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Monthly Financial Report dated July 2008. There were no questions or comments.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed list of bills. Commissioner Schultz moved that Warrant #16, in the amount of \$1,016,073.17, be approved and released for payment. Commissioner McPherson seconded the motion. Hearing no questions, President Rogers requested a roll call vote, the result of which follows.

AYE: Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson, Robert Schultz, John Cozza, Jennifer Rogers

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

President Rogers noted there was no more new business.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Director's Report. Highlighting item 1, Gbur said that his surgery will be done on September 12 at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, and will not be at the September 23 meeting. Regarding item 4, he said that he would like the Board to see the lights at the Palatine Hills Tennis Courts and also the Community Center Fitness Center upgrade.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Pending Projects List; a transposition of letters was corrected.

Gbur distributed a copy of his 'PowerPoint' presentation pertaining to the Goals & Objective process highlighting the process timeline, 2008 Needs/Solutions, and 2009 Pending Needs and Solutions. Smith distributed the 2009 Master Plan and Budget binders for the Board to look over prior to the next meeting.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

President Rogers said that she 'started' the Feet Fest the past Sunday, the weather was beautiful; staff did a great job and Commissioner McPherson did well in the race.

Commissioner Schultz said that once again the Foundation did a nice event (Sprint on Wheels); congratulations to staff on the shelter they did on the 16th Tee.

President Rogers asked for Future Agenda Items. Commissioner McPherson said that in the future, if affiliate groups are coming to address the Board, they need to get onto the Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board on this date, Commissioner McPherson moved that the regular meeting be adjourned; said motion seconded by Commissioner Cozza and unanimously approved by a voice vote at 9:54 p.m.

AYE: Robert Schultz, John Cozza, Susan Gould, Andrew McPherson, Jennifer Rogers

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Bennett

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Secretary

President

Next scheduled Park Board meetings: September 9, 2008
September 23, 2008
Monday, October 13, 2008 *