

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 ON AUGUST 9, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M.

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

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Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present

John Cozza, President  
Nicholas Sawyer, Vice President  
Jennifer Rogers, Treasurer

Andrew McPherson  
Susan Gould

Staff Present

Ron Gbur, Executive Director  
Pat Moser, Supt. of Parks and Planning  
Keith Williams, Supt. of Recreation  
Raul Zaldivar, Supt. of Revenue Facilities  
Tina Becke, Asst. Supt. of Finance & Personnel

Donelda Danz, Asst. Supt. of Recreation  
Kevin Romejko, Human Resource Manager  
Joshua Ludolph, Recreation Manager  
Trish Feid, Secretary

Citizens and Guests

Bob Alexander, resident/PHGA  
Scott Barenbrugge, The Crossroads of Palatine  
Pam Wirsing, resident  
Walt Wirsing, resident

Terry Ruff, resident/Celtic Soccer  
Jim Burke, resident/Celtic Soccer  
Tony Mulert, resident/Celtic Soccer  
GarySchwietz, resident/Celtic Soccer

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner McPherson moved and Commissioner Gould seconded that the Board approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of August 9, 2011. Upon a voice vote, the agenda for the regular meeting was unanimously approved as submitted.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gould moved and Commissioner Rogers seconded that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 26, 2011. By a voice vote, the minutes of the prior meeting were approved as submitted.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

## DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Finance and Personnel Department Report. No questions were presented.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Recreation Department Report. Supt. Williams added that the public information department has been busy with ideas, we had over 45,000 web page views and about 32,000 hits on our website during July, increase of 78 subscribers generated from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July pinwheel distribution during the parade: an advertisement tool. As we approach the upcoming pool renovation, discussion of changing the name of Eagle Pool to Eagle Aquatic Center was brought up, the Board agreed to continue with the current name.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed 2011 Spring Program Evaluation Report. Highlighting several items from the report, Supt. Williams stated that additional classes were offered; spring program registrations were up, C.A.R.E. program participants were down, the fitness center numbers remain consistent and the possible repositioning of mirrors from room 2B to 1E to accommodate needs within the fitness classes. Supt. Williams said that he will look into Commissioner McPherson's question of the lost value of not advertising to promote park district programs on the back of the program catalog; Director Gbur added that we could have Cutting Hall on a future front cover of the catalog. Supt. Williams included that the public information department is currently revising the sponsorship program.

Director Gbur noted there were no other Departmental Reports.

## RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

Mr. Walt Wirsing, 10 E. Heron Drive: Mr. Wirsing informed the Board of the need of additional backstop fencing at Ashwood Park; many balls are hit in the neighboring backyards, sometimes hitting his garage or the siding of his home. Mr. Wirsing suggested a simple but effective overhang backstop constructed with aluminum tubing, wiring and screening material which should prevent the errant balls. Director Gbur said that the park district does not schedule teams to use that field; Mr. Wirsing added that the local neighboring kids use it for recreational purpose, not park district organized baseball/softball. Continuing, Gbur said that he and Supt. Moser will meet with Mr. Wirsing at his home to address the situation. The Board and staff thanked Mr. Wirsing for attending the meeting and informing the Board of his concern.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

President Cozza noted there was no unfinished business to be addressed at this time.

## NEW BUSINESS

Director Gbur introduced to the Board, Land Acquisition Manager Scott Barenbrugge of K. Hovnanian Homes. Mr. Barenbrugge presented the Board an overview of the proposed single family residential neighborhood and the intended park site dedication at The Crossroads of Palatine (formerly the Camelot property). Commissioner McPherson stressed to Mr. Barenbrugge that future purchasers should be aware of the condition living adjacent to the Stables' property such as appearance, smell and noise associated with normal everyday stables' activities and events. Other items discussed were a public access point to our property from the east, safety access, land dedication requirements, purchasers' awareness bordering the stables, future neighborhood park, development's detention pond ownership, etc. Commissioner Gould stressed the concern that the developer needs to inform future buyers of the neighboring stables situation and safety knowledge of horses. Director Gbur and the Board requested that the land dedication ordinance

requirement be in the form of dry land and that the park district has no interest in managing the detention pond. The Board thanked Mr. Barenbrugge for his presentation.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the 2012 Northwest Special Recreation Association Annual Assessment; Resolution #11-03. Commissioner Rogers moved and Commissioner Gould seconded that the Board of Park Commissioners adopt Resolution #11-03 which ratifies the recommended 2012 assessment of \$509,611.12 with payments, one-half each, being made in January 2012 and July 2012. Responding to Commissioner Rogers' question about the 4.7% increase, Director Gbur responded that he is part of the NWSRA finance committee and they will be fine tuning the formula to maintain an appropriate balance of future increases. President Cozza requested a roll call vote on the motion, the result of which follows:

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed list of bills. Commissioner McPherson moved that Warrant #15, in the amount of \$914,342.48, be approved and released for payment. No questions were presented. Commissioner Gould seconded the motion. President Cozza requested a roll call vote on the motion.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

President Cozza noted there was no more new business to be addressed at this time.

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the previously distributed Executive Director's Report. Director Gbur highlighted the Illinois Association of Park Districts' Gala which amongst other awards will honor Commissioners anniversaries: President Cozza's twenty years and Commissioner McPherson's ten years. Commissioner McPherson plans on attending and President Cozza most likely will be able to attend, Gbur asked if any other Commissioners would like to attend to let him know.

Continuing, Gbur said on Saturday he saw Commissioners Sawyer and Rogers, Terry Ruff and many of the Celtic Soccer Club Board Members at Celtic Park for the viewing of the new synthetic turf fields; Gbur gave thanks to the Celtic Soccer Club for the improved fields. Also in regard to Celtic Park, due to one of the recent storms an area of the Brentwood Condominiums fence was damaged and roughly 100' of their fence is down near the east side of Celtic Park's field # 2. Supt. Moser presented the Board with several photos of the damaged fence area and discussed park district fence options, temporary construction fencing for turf's protection, and that he is waiting for development information from the Village of the existing damaged fence. The Board directed staff to install a temporary fence and purchase fencing to secure the newly developed synthetic turf fields leaving the location of the fence up to staff.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner McPherson asked staff to remind P.A.F.A. participants' families to observe the parking signs by Sycamore Park.

Commissioner Sawyer thanked Celtic Park's Synthetic Turf Construction Manager Mike Rink and Supt. Moser; great job. Also, commented that at Celtic Park during the Labor Day Tournament they will have a ceremony on Friday before the first game.

President Cozza requested Future Agenda items. None were put forth.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board on this date, Commissioner McPherson moved that the regular meeting be adjourned; Commissioner Gould seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by a voice vote at 8:25 p.m.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Respectfully submitted,

Trish Feid  
Board Secretary

ATTEST:

/s/ Trish A. Feid  
Secretary

APPROVED:

/s/ John F. Cozza  
President

Next scheduled Park Board meetings: August 23, 2011  
September 13, 2011  
September 27, 2011