

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, AT 505 S. QUENTIN ROAD, PALATINE, ILLINOIS ON OCTOBER 25, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M.

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

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present

Susan Gould, President
Jennifer Rogers, Vice President
Nicholas Sawyer, Treasurer

John Cozza
Andrew McPherson

Staff Present

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

Ed Tynczuk, Asst. Supt. of Parks
Donelda Danz, Asst. Supt. of Recreation
Kevin Romejko, Human Resource Manager
Joshua Ludolph, Facilities Coordinator
Trish Feid, Board Secretary

Citizens and Guests

Bob Alexander, resident/PHGA
Mark Miller, resident/PYBS

Joe Kraus, resident/PYBS

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner McPherson moved, and Commissioner Rogers seconded, that the meeting's agenda be approved. By a voice vote, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of October 25, 2011 was unanimously approved as submitted.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Rogers moved, and Commissioner Sawyer seconded, that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 11, 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

PASS: None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed the previously distributed written Parks and Planning Department Report. Supt. Moser highlighted that Attorney Holtz advised the park district in terminating the contractor for the demolition of houses at 304 East Palatine Road and 1501 North Oak because of a false performance bond. Responding to Commissioner Gould's question, Moser said that no money has been paid to the company.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed written Revenue Facilities Department Report. Supt. Zaldivar highlighted that Fall Fest was a great event and thanked all the park district's departments that helped. Zaldivar said that the Fremd Girls Golf team placed third in state; both the Fremd Girls Golf team and the Palatine Boys Golf teams use the park district course. In regard to the Gewalt Hamilton Associates' (consulting engineers) letter included in the report, Director Gbur suggested we reverse the order of the suggested drainage improvements for the Palatine Hills Golf Course; starting with option three as the first step which involves working with an architect on possible fairway raising, detention pond creation and hole relocation. President Cozza added that we need to simplify the fees and publicize the golf course more to help get the numbers up. Supt. Zaldivar expressed concern with discounted fees; he said that family golf nights during the week were successful but we struggled with other times of the week during the season. Director Gbur added that in the future we may want to create season passes again and develop other ideas for marketing of the course. Commissioner Gould again suggested having a spring introduction event at the golf course where the park district could show off Palatine Hills Golf Course; creating awareness for those who may have never seen the golf course.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed written Annual Pool Report 2011. Asst. Supt. Danz said that the Family Aquatic Center's pool had a leak and park staff will fix the problem for 2012. Other highlighted items: pool attendants' staffing was cut and as a result those responsibilities were shared among other staff, the swim program expanded with new programs such as scuba and snorkeling, the competitive diving and water aerobic participants' numbers are up, also positive feedback with the pool concessions and overall not too bad of a pool season. Danz added that she plans to work on swim lessons and she was pleased to report that the pools had a safe summer.

The Board reviewed the previously distributed 2011 Recreation Summer Program Evaluation Report. Supt. Williams highlighted that the park district and NWSRA are discussing the challenges over the past summer with the NWSRA staff assisting park district camps; with the program's growth and the difficulty to fill the positions, also the fact that come Friday of the camp week many staff are absent due to exhaustion and substitutes are not available. Williams met with the NWSRA committee to address the problem; possibly adding more substitutes and a variety of shifts. Other items mentioned: the younger gymnastic and early childhood programs' enrollment slightly dropped, Falcon Park programs and camps generated additional registration numbers, summer ICOMPETE programs were well attended and the fitness center's memberships dropped but paid daily usage numbers are up. Recreation Manager Ludolph replied to President Cozza's question, that adjustments regarding open gym availability are made season to season.

Director Gbur noted there were no other Departmental Reports.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

Newly appointed President of the Palatine Youth Baseball/Softball Association Joe Kraus and outgoing President Mark Miller were introduced to the Board, they gave thanks to the park district staff for their support. The Board reviewed the previously distributed 2011 Annual PYB/S Report, Mr. Miller highlighted that they had a great season; the PYB/S's Board of 36 members maintains a balance consisting of a third new members who contribute new ideas to the program; the convenience of the online registration process continues to grow; 96% of the end of the year survey results were positive of the program, mass email system for updates and information strengthens communication; good sportsmanship will continue to be stressed within the program and the PYB/S website has everything posted such as schedules, cancellations, sponsorships, standings, etc. Last year at the Baseball/Softball Day's event there was a collection of items for Wings, this year at Baseball/Softball Day the organization helped Rosie's Toy Box; both drives had overwhelming success with donations. Other highlights mentioned: incorporation of the former Palatine North League, the PYB/S awareness day at Falcon Park, clinics offered to participants enrolled in the program, compliments to the parks department on line/drag process on the fields which PYB/S funds, etc. Commissioner McPherson noted that he has not received negative feedback as in some past years; he complimented the professionalism of the organization. Commissioner Gould asked about scholarships within

the PYB/S program, Mr. Miller said that we offer scholarships when there is an awareness of the need; continuing he said that is an area to improve upon and it was suggested that the PYB/S organization work with park district staff to ease the process involved. The Board thanked Mr. Kraus and Mr. Miller for the PYB/S report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Director Gbur noted there was no unfinished business to be addressed at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the termination of Impactor Inc. demolition contract. Commissioner McPherson moved and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners terminate the contract for the demolition of houses at 304 East Palatine Road and 1501 North Oak Street by Impactor Inc. for violating terms of the contract by submitting a false Performance Bond. 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 Board Summary pertaining to the demolition contract for the homes at 304 East Palatine Road and 1501 North Oak Street. Commissioner Gould moved and Commissioner Rogers seconded, that the Board of Park Commissioners approve the contract with Langos Corporation to demolish the houses at 304 East Palatine Road and 1501 North Oak Street for the amount of \$37,500. 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 Board Summary pertaining to the 2012 Illinois Association of Park Districts Annual Meeting Delegate/Alternates Credentials Certificate. Commissioner McPherson moved and Commissioner Gould seconded, that the Board approve John Cozza as the delegate to the Annual Business Meeting of the Illinois Association of Park Districts to be held at the Chicago Hyatt Regency Hotel on Saturday, January 28, 2012 from 3:30 to 5 p.m.; furthermore, that Nicholas Sawyer be appointed as the first alternate. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote as follows.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

The Board reviewed a previously distributed Board Summary pertaining to the Soccer Goal Safety and Education Policy; Resolution #11-04. Commissioner McPherson moved and Commissioner Rogers seconded,

that the Board of Park Commissioners adopt Resolution #11-04, a Soccer Goal Safety and Education Policy. 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 Monthly Financial Report dated September 2011. President Cozza and Commissioner McPherson commented on the low interest rates from the local banks; Commissioner McPherson offered that we may want to look outside our community.

The Board reviewed a previously distributed list of bills. Commissioner Rogers moved that Warrant #20, in the amount of \$1,408,919.46, be approved and released for payment. Commissioner Gould seconded the motion. 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.

Director Gbur 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 said that he will email the tax levy memorandum early next week to the Board; continuing he said that he and staff attended a MRMA training on gang awareness conducted by detectives of the Palatine Police Department; very informative of Palatine and other communities' gang situations, and a better understanding of the preventive measures of the Palatine Police Department.

Supt. Zaldivar distributed to the Board the 2012 Golf Course and Stables budgets; asked that the Board and staff review the budgets for discussion at the next Board Meeting.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Gould reminded the Board and staff that the Realtors Against Homelessness and the District 211 Foundation will host an event in support of District 211 homeless students; Thursday, November 3 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at John Barleycorn in Schaumburg. The event includes appetizers, 2 drink tickets, door prizes and many raffles. Funds will provide a variety of necessary needs for homeless students within District 211.

Commissioner Gould added the Park Foundation's fundraising event last week at Heng Wing Restaurant was really nice. Director Gbur said that the Foundation raised nearly the same amount of funds as last year; very successful event.

Commissioner Rogers congratulated President Cozza and Commissioner McPherson on receiving their years of service awards at the IAPD Gala. Director Gbur added that at next year's Gala event, the park district should nominate a park district volunteer; President Cozza added to possibly nominate one of our park district affiliates who have contributed financially for the improvement of our facilities.

Commissioner Rogers said the Special Leisure Services Foundation's dinner and auction was very nice.

President Cozza requested Future Agenda items. There were none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Cozza requested a motion to close the public portion of the meeting and convene in Executive Session, Section 2(c)(5) discussion of the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District of the Open Meetings Act. Commissioner Gould moved and Commissioner McPherson seconded the motion. President Cozza requested a voice vote, the result of which follows:

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: Susan Gould

Motion passed at 8:21 p.m.

The Board returned to regular session at 8:49 p.m.

ACTION ON MATTERS CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION

President Cozza stated that the Board met in Executive Session for the purpose of discussion for the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District. At this time, no action will be taken.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board on this date, Commissioner McPherson moved that the regular meeting be adjourned; Commissioner Rogers seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by a voice vote at 8:51 p.m.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Respectfully submitted,

Trish Feid, Secretary

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

/s/ Trish A. Feid
Secretary

/s/ John F. Cozza
President

Next scheduled Park Board meetings:

November 8, 2011
November 22, 2011
December 6, 2011 – changed from December 13