

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
July 14, 2011

Agenda Item #1 Call to Order

Vice-President James Long called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm

Agenda Item #2 Roll Call

Comm. Bernas, Comm. Long, Comm. Karesh, Comm. Smith, Ron Gunter, Director, Robert Fleck, Supt. of Parks and Planning, Cindy Bump, Pre-school Director, Steve Golembiewski, Recreation Coord., Keith Johnson, Greens Supt., Danny Tutskey, Athletic Coord, Joel Hymen, Recreation Coord., John Chorney, Facilities Manager, Bobbi Trifilio, Admin. Asst., Alice Krampits, Museum Curator and Senior Coord., Craig Grember, Club House Co-Manager, Jeff Jacob, Intern, Attorney Ken Kubiesa, Susan Friend, SEAPAR, and Yvonne Novak, RCP Insurance

Agenda Item # 3 Approval of Minutes of the Special Park Tour Meeting of June 9, 2011 and the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Executive Session of June 9, 2011

Motion was made by Comm. Karesh and seconded by Comm. Smith to approve the minutes of the Special Parks Tour meeting of June 9, 2011.

Roll Call: Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1

*Comm. Main entered the meeting at 6:09 pm

Motion was made by Comm. Long and seconded by Comm. Karesh to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Executive Session of June 9, 2011.

Roll Call: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Agenda Item #4 Claim Ordinance

Motion was made by Comm. Karesh and seconded by Comm. Long to pay the July Claims

Roll Call: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Agenda Item #5 Open Forum

- a. General Public
No one was present from the general public
- b. Written
There was no correspondence

Agenda Item # 6 SEASPAR

Susan Friend, Director for SEASPAR attended the Board Meeting to give a report on the activities there. She reported on the 35th Anniversary Dinner, the Summer Kick Off Picnic at Ty Warner Park and showed a slide presentation that was made for the Believe and Achieve Banquet. She stated that 9.46%

of the member contributions come from the Westmont Park District and that Westmont has 11.6% of the registrations and 11.75 of the service hours go to our residents. They are working on cost reductions and fundraising. She reported on the IMRF funding, they're rate is currently 18.6% due to the 58% of staff that have bought back hours of service. That rate will drop eventually. Their fund balance at SEASPAR is higher than they expected. They have received a \$250,000 donation for the Eagles' Program.

Agenda Item # 7 Unfinished Business

a. I-Pads

The Board tabled the I-Pads purchase until July so that all of the Commissioners would be present for the discussion and vote. Comm. Main stated that she believes that the Board should wait another year to purchase I-Pads. She feels the cost will go down, that it is not the time in the current economy to be the first park district in Illinois to have I-Pads for the Board of Commissioners. She is all for going green but is not comfortable with the purchase at this time. Comm. Long disagreed and stated that he feels they would be very useful and that they would allow the five of them to know what is going on at the park district at all times. Also, they would cut down on the paper copies as the Board would no longer need hard copy of the Board packets and we would do away with the Board Books and having hard copies sent home. Comm. Bernas stated that he agreed with Comm. Main that they were an unnecessary expense at this time. He feels that considering the power outages that have occurred recently the money would be better spent on generators for the buildings. Comm. Smith agreed with Comm. Long that she felt the purchase was a good idea and that the Board would be able to SKYPE using the I-Pads. Comm. Karesh did not feel that they are costly and that they would be considered a tool that belongs to the park district.

Motion was made by Comm. Long and seconded by Comm. Smith to approve the purchase of seven (7) I-Pads with the internet access package.

Roll Call: Ayes 3 Nays 2 Absent 0

Motion carried.

Comm. Long wants the largest amount of memory available and we want their names engraved on the I-Pads.

b. Park Property Title Search

Bob has researched every Pin # and every property we own is in our name except: Mertz Park, and Richmond Open Space, the deeds were never signed by the Village. They are more than willing to assist us with getting this resolved.

*6:55 PM Alice entered the meeting

Ken stated that we do not need to do title searches on the properties we have title insurance on. We did not get title insurance on some of the properties that were donated, those we will have to research. Bob and Ken will meet to follow through to cover all properties.

c. July 4th Recap

Ron stated that we had very pleasant weather on the 4th of July. He estimates that there were 15,000 to 20,000 people there to watch the fireworks and everything went great. There was a letter to the editor in the newspaper complimenting us but stated that they were very disappointed in the businesses around the park that would not let people use their parking lots.

d. Other

Bob reported that since the police department doesn't feel that using Holy Trinity's parking lot for their school pickup and drop off is feasible as it would tie up traffic on Cass Ave. we have asked Holy Trinity to make some concessions to help our participants with parking. They will warn everyone not to park in our parking spaces, no parking in the spaces on their side of Linden Street directly across from the Senior Center, teachers will have to park in Holy Trinity's parking lot. Also, parents will not be allowed to arrive more than 3 minutes before school gets out and the police will be asked to monitor that time allowance at the start of the school year. The parents will only be allowed to have 2 lanes during pickup and cannot block the entire street north bound at any other time. Comm. Karesh disagreed that the traffic on Cass could any worse by parents lining up to get into the parking lot. The feeling was that Holy Trinity is working with us and we should wait and see how this helps.

Agenda Item #8 New Business

a. 2011-2012 Insurance Package

Yvonne Novak from RCP Insurance attended the meeting to report on the renewal for 2011-2012. The premium is up only less than 1% even though we have increased the property values by 3%. Public Officials have a \$1,000 deductible, property coverage is \$15,850,000. Ron has a copy of the statement of values where the coverage has been increased by 3%. A discussion followed regarding the coverage on various facilities, playgrounds and other property. I-Parks has added cyber liability coverage of \$1,000,000 for no additional cost. There are a couple of open claims and she is handling both.

b. Youth Summer Job Program

Ron explained that the Governor announced a youth summer job grant program, we applied and were awarded grant money to pay for 6 positions for 7 weeks that are fully funded by the State. We are in the process of hiring 4 for recreation department and 2 for maintenance department. We are not allowed to hire anyone for the program that is already on the payroll, they must be new hires.

c. Fitness Club

i. Renovations /Repairs

There were lots of repairs done that include: Court 5 the wood floor "corked" and refinished to be more competitive for hand ball, Courts 1-4 were re-painted and the wood floors refinished. The 4th TV was installed in the upper level fitness area. The lower level fitness area was completely re-organized to create more room. The front stairs have been replaced; all carpets and floors were shampooed and cleaned. Electric work involved new outlets, adding new lighting and replacing a couple of old lights. Nothing but great remarks from the members.

ii. Relationship with World Gym Members

World Gym on Ogden Ave. closed without warning. Their personnel trainer, Ashraf Amaya, has made an agreement with the Fitness Club that states that if he brings in 20 members he will be allowed to train them our club. We should get about 40 new members out of this. To date we have had about 6-8 new members from World Gym sign up.

iii. General Information

A member update will be available at next month's meeting. The 3 day power outage set staff back on some of the reports.

- d. August Board Meeting
The August Board Meeting has been changed to August 4, 2011.
- e. Twin Lakes Golf Course
Craig Grember reported that the Monday and Tuesday Senior League has 72 golfers, Wednesday St Isaacs League has 49 golfers but they prepay \$866.00 no matter how many show up. The junior league is down about 5 members from last year. The promotions in the evening are really starting to kick in; those include 4 for \$40 and Couples Night on Fridays. There are several weekend outings booked. The rounds of golf are up by 800 rounds but fees are down. Comm. Long requested a year to year report.

Agenda Item #9 Staff Reports

Keith had to leave the meeting to close the golf course as his employee had a family emergency.

Cindy reported that the Day Camps have been going on field trips. One of the most popular was the tour of Wrigley Field. They had 72 kids on the tour and they had a great day. The Summer Fun Camp started on Wednesday and is filled. August 4th is the Camp Talent Show and August 5th is the last day of camp picnic. She is working on write-ups.

Steve reported on June 17, 18 and 19 we had our first community theatre performance of "Our Town." The show was held at the Westmont High School Auditorium. We averaged 70 audience members at each of the performances. Overall, it was a very successful showing. The community theatre group is already starting to prepare for the Performances in the Park entitled, "Summer Night Live," which will be held Friday, August 12 and Saturday, August 13 at Ty Warner Park. On Friday, July 22 we will have the first of two Movies in the Park at Ty Warner. The movie we will begin at 8:30PM. Programs that will conclude this month include: Glitzy Girlz: Summer Bling and Cool Science: Forensic Science. Programs that will start this month include: Horsemanship, First Aid for Little People, Babysitter Training, CPR Boot Camp, Cool Science: Solar System, Ballroom for Kids, Ultimate Parties: Hula Dancing, Magic class, Computer Explorers: Rock & Roll Robotics. He is hosting a Teen Texting Competition. Steve asked the Board to consider a few options regarding the spay park hours in September since we have lost money 2 of the last four years. Board all agreed to keep the September hours the same

Jeff Jacob, Intern reported that he has a degree in sports management and has 200 hours with us to complete his internship. He has already spent time at the golf course club house and will be spending time learning all aspects of the park district.

Alice reported on Senior Trips, the Sound of Music by Joyful voices on July 19 is full with 40 participants, Millennium Park trip was cancelled. Ravinia has 4 seats available and Jumer's has 14 seats available.

Linda and I are currently working on the Fall Senior Newsletter. Registration will be the end of August. Cordia Senior Residence is offering its seniors a new program on Tuesdays. They are providing rides on a golf cart through Ty Warner Park. They were able to obtain a golf cart for the summer. We have made arrangements for them to provide this service. As for the Museum, Barnyard Bingo was successful. The event raised \$960 for the museum, she sold 380 deeds. The Historical Society also participated in the Taste of Westmont on Sunday. They held a trivia contest and gave out prizes to the top three winners.

Joel stated that he has been at the golf course training and working with the staff and the new system. Next week the new system will be in place at the Community Center and then they will move on to the

Fitness Club. The ID photo machine is in and he made ID's for all of the Commissioners. He is hiring 6 teenagers for the Youth Summer Job Program grant we received.

Danny reported Wildcat Football & Cheerleading participated at the Taste of Westmont. The Wildcats maintained an informational booth for registration and program promotion. We currently have 74 football players (+18 from 2010) and 61 cheerleaders (+5 from 2010). Important Wildcat Events for the month of July. July 24 - Wildcat Parent & Board Picnic at Veterans Memorial Park, 12:00-3:00 PM. July 26 - First Day of Wildcat Football & Cheer practice at Westmont High School, 6:00-8:00 PM. July 27 - Wildcat Parent Meeting at Westmont High School Sentinel Field, 6:00 PM. On August 20 UYF Football and Cheer Certification at the Westmont Community Center, 7:00 AM-7:00 PM. Peak Performance Travel Basketball is a new travel basketball program. Participants who make the travel basketball team will also be required to play Bidy Basketball as well. The total price for residents is \$326 and the non-resident fee will be \$378. There will be teams available at the 4th grade level up to 8th grade. Participants will play approximately 30 games total between the two programs. October 5 there will be Peak Performance Basketball Tryouts at the Westmont Community Center, 6:00 PM. On July 8 the skate park hosted a Roller Blade competition. The Windy City Riot Circuit planned the competition, gathered sponsors and professional skaters to come to event and compete. I attended the warm ups and competition and was able to get some action shots of some of our skaters. I've started some preliminary planning for Holly Days (drafting letters for sponsorships with the 5k and Holly Days Festival.

John says that he is keeping busy with the Fitness Club; he is considering a Chamber Open House to show it off. He stated that we would never be able to get all the work done without closing the Club for the week. He is also busy with the power outages and running the crews for Scott and keeping Ron and Bob update.

Bob reported that there were a few issues with the kids in the parks and he has been working with the police. Dispatch has been a problem since we have closed the Westmont Police dispatch and merged with Downers Grove. When we call 911 it goes back to DuPage County. There have been a lot of problems in the area, gang activities on Saturday at the Taste of Westmont, 3 arrests on Friday. The steps at the Fitness Club are done but now the concrete needs to "cure" before the final finish can be completed.

Agenda Item #10 Executive Session

Motion was made by Comm. Smith and seconded by Comm. Main to adjourn to Executive Session on potential litigation.

Roll Call: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0

Motion carried.

President Bernas called the Regular Meeting back to order.

Roll Call: Comm. Bernas, Comm. Karesh, Comm. Long, Comm. Main, Comm. Smith, Ron Gunter, Director, Robert Fleck, Supt. of Parks and Planning and Attorney Ken Kubiesa.

There was no further business.

Agenda Item # 11 Adjournment

Motion was made by Comm. Long and seconded by Comm. Main to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0

Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM

Motions Acted Upon
July 14, 2011

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| JK | SS | Motion to approve the minutes of the Special Park Tour meeting of June 9, 2011 |
| JL | JK | Motion to approve the minutes of the Reg. Board. Mgt.& Executive Session of June 9, 2011 |
| JK | JL | Motion to pay July Claims |
| JL | SS | Motion to approve purchasing 7 I-Pads & internet access packages for Comm. And 2 for Park District offices |
| SS | DM | Motion to adjourn to Exe. Session - Litigation |
| JL | DM | Motion to adjourn back to Regular Session |
| JL | DM | Motion to adjourn the meeting. |

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| Karesh, J. | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Long, J. | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Main, D. | A | A | X | N | X | X | X |
| Smith, S. | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Bernas, B | X | X | X | N | X | X | X |