

# Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting August 4, 2011

## Agenda Item # 1 Call to Order

Comm. Bernas called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

## Agenda Item #2 Roll Call

Comm. Bernas, Comm. Karesh, Comm. Long, Comm. Main, Comm. Smith, Ron Gunter Director, Robert Fleck Supt. of Parks and Planning, Alice Krampits, Museum Curator and Senior Coord., Keith Johnson, Supt. of Greens, Kim Lojewski, Supt. of Recreation, Steve Golembiewski, Recreation Supervisor, Dan Tutskey, Recreation Supervisor, Craig Grember, Club Manager, Joel Hymen, Recreation Supervisor and Bobbi Trifilio, Admin. Asst.,

Agenda Item #3 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Executive Session of July 14, 2011.

Motion was made by Comm. Main and seconded by Comm. Karesh to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Executive Session of July 14, 2011.

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

## Agenda Item #4 Claims Ordinance

Motion was made by Comm. Smith and seconded by Comm. Main to approve the August Claims Ordinance.

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

## Agenda Item #5 Open Forum

- a. General Public  
There was no one in attendance from the general public
- b. Written.  
There was an article in the local paper reporting that School District 201 School Board has purchased I-Pads for themselves.

## Agenda Item #6 Twin Lakes Golf Course

Craig Grember handed out the golf course reports. A comparison report for 2010 and 2011 was in the Board's packets. He supplied the concession stand comparison report and the rounds of golf comparison reports. He also included the "what's hot what's not" report that is generated by the computer system. He also stated that there have been several outings, The 4 for \$40 has been a good special bringing in people during a normally slow time on the course. They've run out of carts a couple of times which is good as the golf course receives all the income from the cart rentals. He also included a weather report. He will be leaving the meeting early as he has a baseball game to coach.

## Agenda Item #7 2011-2012 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance.

a. General Public

Comm. Bernas called open a public hearing on the 2011-2012 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance. No one was present. Comm. Bernas closed the public hearing.

b. Board Action

Comm. Bernas called for a motion to approve the 2011-2012 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 2001-3.

A motion was made by Comm. Main and seconded by Comm. Karesh to approve the 2011-2012 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 2011-3.

Roll Call: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0

Motion carried.

Agenda Item # 8 Unfinished Business

a. Park District Property Values

RCP, the park district's insurance agency provided a list of property values list per the Board's request. Comm. Long asked where Yvonne comes up with these numbers and Ron explained that she uses a formula from 5 years ago and increases the amounts annually. An audit would be very expensive. A discussion followed and Comm. Long stated it was not feasible to overestimate the property value and pay higher premiums.

b. Ty Warner Park Entrance

Bob reminded the Board that at last month's meeting there was discussion regarding moving the entrance or somehow keeping it safe from foul balls from the softball field. Comm. Smith suggested an arbor covered in vines. Bob showed a photograph of an arbor. He stated that the arbor would cost approximately \$10-\$15,000 for about 100 linear feet and would have to be wide enough for an emergency vehicle to get through. The cost of moving the path around and away from the softball field would cost \$35,000. A discussion followed and the Board decided to revisit the issue at the budget workshop.

c. Other

There was no other unfinished business

Agenda Item #9 New Business

a. WYBA

Ron explained that there have been several requests from residents that want to start a baseball traveling team. They wanted the park district to sponsor the teams and to use Sentinel Park for the games. Ron and Bob explained that Sentinel Park's ball field could not be used for traveling teams for various reasons. After meeting with these parents and the WYBA Board a plan was worked out to have WYBA create a traveling team for 9, 10, 11 and 12 year olds. They may be able to use the girls' softball field at Westmont High School and all we will need to do is maintain the field a little more than we are now. There would be about 20 additional games and all players would have to be playing on the regular WYBA teams and these would be additional games for an additional cost. We would collect additional fees from the WYBA to cover our costs. Those fees will be determined when the WYBA has had a chance, before next year, to set up the program.

b. Softball Tournament

Ron stated that the annual summerfest softball tournament started tonight and will go through Sunday.

6:45 John Chorney entered the meeting.

c. Park/Police Matters

Ron reported that there has been a new challenge at Ty Warner Park over the last month. Professional criminals doing smash and grabs. They break car windows and grab whatever they can find, purses, GPS's, I-Pads, whatever. The police department has been working on a sting operation to try and catch them. Last week park patrol was in the parking lot and still missed a break in. This has been going on all over the surrounding suburbs.

d. Soccer Goal Safety and Education Policy

Governor Quinn signed into law a policy regarding safety for soccer goals and how they are anchored into the ground. The Board was given a copy of the policy in their Board packets. Ron noted that they would need to approve the policy.

Motion was made by Comm. Long and seconded by Comm. Karesh to accept the Soccer Goal Policy.

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

e. Other

Ron requested the Board let staff know if they are planning to attend the NRPA National Congress in November of this year and if they will need a full package ordered so that we can register before the early bird discounted cutoff take of September 1<sup>st</sup>. Also, Tom Chapman will be at the September Board meeting to discuss refinancing our bonds and how to get additional money.

#### Agenda Item #10 Staff Reports

Steve was first to give his report. On Friday, July 22 we had our Movies in the Park event at Ty Warner Park. We had an estimated 100 audience members for the showing of "Megamind." We have our second Movies in the Park event on Friday, August 5 that will start at approximately 8:30PM. That movie will be "Yogi Bear."

On Friday, August 12 at 7:00PM we will have our final performance for the Art in the Park series with PVPN's live performance in the park. The title of the performance will be "Summer Night Live." We will also have a second showing on Saturday, August 13 at 2:00PM. Programs that will start this month include: Computer Explorers: Star Wars, Summer Camparama, Horsemanship, Cool Science: Marine Biology, Ultimate Parties: Accessorize your Room, Ballet Mini Camp. Teen activities will include: Rink Side Lock-In and Call of Duty: X-Box 360 tournament. Programs that concluded this month include: Computer Explores: Rock and Roll Robotics, Cool Science: Solar System, Magic class. The Kite Fly was rescheduled for September 18<sup>th</sup>.

Danny July 24 we scheduled our 1<sup>st</sup> annual Wildcat Picnic. Unfortunately due to the weather conditions we canceled the picnic and moved it July 26 at Westmont High School. It was such a success that we are going to hold a picnic at the end of the first practice. Families attended practice and lined the fence from end to end watching the kids practice. On July 27 we held our Parent Meeting where we went over information regarding the upcoming season, important dates and communication lines between coaches, board and families. We have 5 football teams total at the following levels Bandits, Mitey Mites, Pee Wees, Jr. Midgets, and All-American level. We have 4 cheer squads at the Mitey Mite, Jr. Pee Wee, Jr. Midget and Midget levels. We have a total of 97 football players and 70 cheerleaders. It appears the Bears player Brian Urlacker's son will be playing the the Wildcats Football league. Monday Night Men's league will begin their playoff round on August 8 at Ty Warner Park. Our Wednesday night league is still in their regular season. Their season will conclude at the end of August. Our Friday Night

Men's league will begin their playoff round on August 5. Sunday Men's 16 Inch Softball will end their regular season on August 14 and begin their tournament on August 21.

John reported that he has been working with the maintenance staff in Scott's absences and everything is being taken care of both inside the facilities and outside in the parks. The student staff will be leaving soon and he will be down from 8 staffers to 3 by the 15<sup>th</sup> of August. Brian Sible will be back from vacation and summer activities will be slowing down soon. The front entrance at the Fitness Club is finished and it looks fantastic and an additional television has been installed. The members are very happy with all the changes.

\*7:30 pm Steve and Danny left for the softball tournament.

Joel has 2 new classes starting in the fall on organizing your house and garage. He is still working on the new registration system as there is a lot to do behind the scenes before we can put it into practice. He has been figuring out and loading the Board's new I-Pads.

Keith stated that July started off with a draught and ended with flood. The crew didn't need to cut grass for a few weeks. At this time he is short handed and looking for people to work. He is looking forward to fall.

Alice reported that the senior summer programs are winding down. Irish Fest trip was cancelled due to low interest. She was able to obtain extra tickets to the White Sox's game that had filled. The Bowling league will be starting soon. The last concert had the lowest attendance of the season. She heard comments from a couple of participants. The wine option didn't seem to have made much of an impact. She and Linda are working on the next Senior News Letter and hopefully it will be out next week. She supplied the 4<sup>th</sup> of July budget report to the Board. It was about the same as last year's report. The Passport Program has picked up some. The Westmont Historical Society will be meeting to plan the "Last Straw" event.

Kim The 4 for \$40 promotion is still running; Craig Grember has coordinated a small, Chamber golf outing with Larry Forrsberg at the Westmont Chamber of Commerce. The 3-club outing will be held on August 24, with tee times beginning late afternoon. With the World Gym on Ogden Ave. closing, we are offering a free 13<sup>th</sup> month to former World Gym members who purchase a year membership, paid in full. That special is being offered through September 5, 2011. Wrap-up meetings were held regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration with both district staff, and with the police, fire and streets department personnel. The fall program guide is still on schedule to be delivered the weekend of August 12 – 14. She hopes it will be on the website by the 10<sup>th</sup>.

Bob had nothing additional to report.

Agenda Item #11 Executive Session – Potential Litigation/Personnel

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

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

President Bernas called the Regular Session back to order at 8:26 PM

Roll Call: Comm. Bernas, Comm. Main, Comm. Karesh, Comm. Long, Ron Gunter, Director and Bob Fleck, Supt. of Parks and Planning.

Agenda Item #12 Village of Westmont Intergovernmental Agreement

The Board agreed that we should approve the agreement as presented.

Motion was made by Comm. Long and seconded by Comm. Main to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement dated August 4, 2011.

Roll Call:    Ayes 4            Nays 0            Absent 1

Motion carried.

Agenda Item #13 Adjournment

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

Roll Call:    Ayes 4            Nays 0            Absent 1

Motion carried.

