

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
June 9, 2011

Agenda Item #1 Call to Order

Vice-President James Long called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Agenda Item #2 Roll Call

Comm. Long, Comm. Karesh, Comm. Smith, Ron Gunter, Director, Robert Fleck, Supt. of Parks and Planning, Steve Golembiewski, Recreation Coord., Keith Johnson, Greens Supt., Danny Tutskey, Athletic Coord, Joel Hymen, Recreation Coord., Kim Lojewski, Supt. of Recreation, John Chorney, Facilities Manager, Bobbi Trifilio, Admin. Asst., Alice Krampits, Museum Curator and Senior Coord., Craig Grember, Club House Co-Manager.

Agenda Item # 3 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Executive Session of May 19, 2011

Motion was made by Comm. Karesh and seconded by Comm. Smith to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Executive Session of May 19, 2011.

Roll Call: Ayes 3 Nays 0 Absent 2
Motion carried.

Agenda Item #4 Claim Ordinance

Motion was made by Comm. Smith and seconded by Comm. Karesh to pay the June Claims

Roll Call: Ayes 3 Nays 0 Absent 2
Motion carried.

Agenda Item #5 Open Forum

a. General Public

No one was present from the general public

b. Written

Ron received a letter regarding a business that is leasing one of Ty Warner's properties across from the soccer field on Ty south. They would like to rent the parking lot for the overflow parking, up to 70 cars. They would pay \$1,000 a month. We would need to plow the lot in the winter and keep a sign out for them. They will need to provide a certificate of insurance.

Motion was made by Comm. Smith and seconded by Comm. Karesh to rent out the parking lot at Ty South as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes 3 Nays 0 Absent 2
Motion carried.

Agenda Item #6 Unfinished Business

a. PARC Grant

Ron stated that the PARC Grant is still on the governor's desk. We should hear by the end of the month.

b. Athletic Field Usage

There was a discussion last month regarding permitting the athletic fields. Danny surveyed other park districts regarding their policies for field usage. There was no general consensus. Comm. Long stated that since the use is random there really isn't a problem at this time. Our ordinance states that groups of 20 or more need a permit anyway. The Board after some discussion decided to follow the issue on a month to month basis to see if any problems arise.

c. I-Pads for Park Use.

Joel, as requested provided a list of prices and options for I-Pads with internet. Price ranged from \$6,000 to \$3,700. It was suggested by IAPD that we have a policy in place regarding providing I-Pads for the Commissioners and staff before we make a purchase. At this time no other park districts have I-Pads. Also, the Commissioners would need to use their park district e-mail addresses not their personnel addresses. The question came up if they were e-mailing each other would that go against the open meetings act. It appears that it would if there is 3 or more using a chat line. It does open more doors to get into trouble with the open meetings act. The Village uses a disclosure at the bottom that states: Do not respond to this e-mail. Comm. Long feels we need the I-Pads to be with the trend of quickly responding to each other and the Director. Comm. Smith feels the Commissioners will not need a much memory on their I-Pads as the two purchased for park district offices. Comm. Long doesn't feel they should limit the amount of memory. They feel this could eliminate the Board Books, no coping except for the secretary's book. Ron stated that they would need a policy for electronic communication. Comm. Smith found less expensive cases. Ron told the Board that because Comm. Main was unable to attend the meeting she asked Ron to relay to the rest that she feels the internet is unnecessary because most places have wireless. Comm. Long did not agree.

Motion was made by Comm. Smith to approve the purchase of 7 I-Pads for the Park District.

No one seconded the motion.

Motion was made by Comm. Karesh and seconded by Comm. Smith to table the discussion on I-Pads until Comm. Bernas arrived.

Roll Call: Ayes 3 Nays 0 Absent 2
Motion carried.

d. Ty Warner Main Entrance

Bob provided drawing showing the plan for the main entrance to Ty Warner Park. It showed the existing path and the new path. The cost would be \$32,000.

*Comm. Bernas entered the meeting at 7:37 pm.

Option #2 of Bob's plan would be a 4 pole system with 35' by 150' for netting. The poles are the bid issue. The cost would be \$19,000 and the netting would cost \$15,000 for a total cost of \$37,050. Comm. Smith suggested an arch of chain link fence that would be planted with vines. The nets are safest but they are ugly. The path move would be about 35' over, away from field #2. Bob will look into the tunnel idea.

The Board decided to return to the discussion regarding the I-Pads now that Comm. Bernas has arrived. Comm. Long reviewed his feelings as to why we should purchase the I-Pads. Comm. Bernas stated that there was not a rush to purchase the I-Pads and that he would like to wait until Comm. Main could be there for further discussion.

Motion was made by Comm. Long and seconded by Comm. Karesh to table the I-Pad purchase until the July meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1
Motion carried.

e. Other

Bob will be gathering up as much information on the old properties. We need to go through all the documentation and see what is missing if anything. It would be costly to do a title search on every property. We will purchase a fire proof file cabinet to keep the records in since we no longer rent a safety deposit box.

Agenda Item # 7 New Business

a. 2011-2 Ordinance for the Prevailing Wage Act.

Ron explained that every year we need to pass an ordinance for the prevailing wage act.

Motion was made by Comm. Smith and seconded by Comm. Karesh to approve Ordinance 2011-2 for the prevailing wage act.

Roll Call: Ayes 3 Nays 1 Absent 1
Motion carried.

b. Staff/Board Photo ID's

Joel looked into the cost of having photo ID's for the Staff and Board. The cost would be \$1,700. The money could come from the security fund.

Motion was made by Comm. Long and seconded by Comm. Karesh to purchase the supplies needed to do photo ID's for Staff and the Board of Commissioners.

Roll Call: Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1
Motion carried.

c. Fitness Club Update

Joel provided a comparison report on the Fitness Club. The report showed that by the end of the year the club will be in the black \$10,000 to \$12,000.

d. Golf Course Update

Craig reported that the golf course is down, we're losing money. He will provide a list of the league play. They are working on promotions. He contacted the Village with an offer of an \$8 special for village employees. The Chamber outing on June 22nd for Darien was provided with a 2 for 1 special coupon in their "goody" bags. The 9 holes for 9 bucks went very well. The club is running "Go Green for Lunch" special for \$5. For the next 3 Fridays they are having a \$30 couple's special that includes green fees, chips, hot dogs and drinks for 2. They are looking at putting 2 for 1 coupons the Jewel grocery store receipts. They have 6 outings booked and we will be advertising Uncle Bubs as possible catering for outings. They have hired Wild Goose Chase to supply the dogs to chase the geese of the course. They have also hired two kids to go out and teach the Jr. League players golf course etiquette and they are given a card listing the rules to place on the their golf bags. The new point of sales system is working out well, Joel has been a great help.

- e. Fourth of July Celebration
Ron stated that the 4th of July celebration is set for 3 weeks from Monday. Chicago has cancelled their fireworks at Grant Park so we are expecting a large crowd. Everyone is working on Monday. One half of the Staff will be taking off on Friday and the other half will take off on Tuesday. We will get coupons and etc. to the Commissioners.
- f. August Board Meeting
The August Board Meeting date has been changed to August 4, 2011.
- g. SEASPAR
SEASPAR's Summer Kick-Off will be at Ty this Sunday, June 12th, games, food, activities, everyone is invited
- h. Other
There is no other new business.

Agenda #8 Report of Staff

John reported that he is busy keeping all the facilities up and running.

Steve reported that the Progressive Village Players will be performing "Our Town" at the high school June 17, 18 and 19th. He stated that the spray park has been "a monster!" so far this year. As of June 7th there were 641 residents and 1,091 non-residents. We have purchased new lounge chairs from Texa Craft. Kids Club ended yesterday with an end of the year party. It was a very successful year. There are several new programs coming up those include: Home Alone, First Aid for Little People, Glitzy Girlz, Young Rembrandts, Horsemanship, Magic class, Cool Science: Forensic Investigation, X-Box 360: NHL Hockey 2011, Adult Dance, Broadway for Kids and Guitar classes. Backstop summary was in your packet. To date we have sold 916 ice cream bars, 733 sodas and 191 pop corns.

Joel reported I have been working on my program write-ups to prepare for our next program guide. I will be offering some new adult classes. I wanted to remind the board of our annual Fitness Club cleaning closing, the club will be closed from June 27 – July 4. I have also been working on getting ready for the Jr. Golf program, we have been entering cards into the system so the golfers can take advantage of the new system. So far we have put \$1,500 in concessions on the Jr. Leagues cards.

Alice showed the honorary signs "Gregg's Road," that the historical society requested from the village, are now placed at Dallas and Cass on the west side and at Cass and Richmond on the west side. They look great! Sunday, June 12 has been set as the day to dedicate the sign and celebrate the Gregg House Museum's 30th anniversary and the 90th anniversary of the incorporation of the village of Westmont. The celebration from 12-3pm, will be an ice cream social The Passport to Adventure Program begins June 1st. A special kick-off event, "Mammals, Snakes and Bugs, will be held Friday, June 10 at 1 pm in the Linden Room. Each Wednesday, beginning June 15 and ending August 17, the museum will be open from 11-3 and will host special craft programs including candle making, kaleidoscopes, and children's chores. Linda is working on activities for the 4th of July, cakes and crafts and entertainment. The Senior Programs are doing well, the casino trips are full as usual as well as the trip to the Sox game.

Cindy: The Summer Fun camp is full and begins on June 13. As always, I'm excited as well as all the teachers at Twin Lakes for that camp to take off. All other early childhood programs are filling up and are scheduled to begin in mid June and some in July. The games on the 4th of July will begin at 5:30 pm.

Kim: We are once again offering the Liberty Park Special during the slower summer months. From June 15 – September 4, we are inviting Liberty Park residents to join The Club at resident rates. We offered this for Day Camp to the residents of Blackhawk Heights. The fall program guide is in the planning stages. Evaluations have been completed.

Danny: Memorial Day Parade, the Parade had a lot of participants from our Athletics programs. Wildcat Football & Cheer, 30 participants. Gems Softball, 60 participants. Race to the Flag was held on May 26 as part of the Red, White & BBQ. We had a grand total of 243 runners in the race. The final donation to St. Jude will be available in a few weeks once all of our outstanding balances are paid. The following programs are starting the week of June 13, 2011. All Star Sports: Flag Football, Soccer, Super Sports and T-Ball. Sports Kids Inc. Gymnastics, Archery and Floor Hockey

Agenda Item #9 Executive Session-Potential Litigation

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

Roll Call: Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1
Motion Carried

President Bernas called the Regular Session back to order.

Agenda Item # Adjournment

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

Roll Call: Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1
Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm