

YORK CENTER PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 17, 2006

1. CALL TO ORDER: President Margaret Crotty called the January 17, 2006 Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. at the York Center Park District Board Room at 1609 S. Luther in Lombard, Illinois.
  
2. ROLL CALL: The following Roll Call was taken:  
Members Present: Margaret Crotty, President  
Ann DeGroot, Treasurer  
Terry Purkart, Vice President  
Daniel Summins, Commissioner  
  
Others Present: Sharon Neubauer, Executive Director/Board Secretary  
Patrick Lemar, Superintendent of Parks and Facilities  
Tom LaLonde, Architect  
Joseph Brusseau, Planner  
  
Absent: Julie May, Commissioner
  
3. COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS: None
  
4. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND STAFF: Director Neubauer introduced Tom LaLonde from Williams Architects, Joseph Brusseau of Brusseau Design Group and Patrick Lemar, Superintendent of Parks and Facilities.
  
5. MINUTES: President Crotty asked if there were any corrections regarding the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2005. Vice President Terry Purkart stated that she left the December 13<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting at 8:00 p.m. and that she did not vote under New Business. Motion made by Terry Purkart to accept the Regular Board Minutes of December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2005 as corrected. Motion seconded by Ann DeGroot. On a voice vote, motion carried. Motion made by Terry Purkart to accept the Public Hearing Meeting Minutes on the Truth in Taxation by Terry Purkart and seconded by Ann DeGroot. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May absent, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion carried. Ayes=4 Nays=0 Abstain=0 Absent=1.
  
6. ARCHITECT REPORT: Discussion took place concerning the new park property. Dan Summins stated that the house would need to be made handicapped accessible which would be very costly. Discussion took place concerning whether or not the house could be a historical site. Tom LaLonde stated that the second floor could not be used and there are issues about ceiling height in the house. Patrick Lemar reported on the structure of the walls in the house. Tom LaLonde explained the process used to build the house.

Director Neubauer stated that staff met with the School District officials about installing a playground on the school property or in the new park. Discussion took place. Discussion also took place about the Land/Cash Donation Ordinance from Oakbrook Terrace. Vice President Terry Purkart questioned the liability issue and what type of playground the school is interested in putting on the site.

Dan Summins stated that the plans are appropriate for all age groups in the area. We are providing the people in the area with things Oakbrook Terrace Park District does not offer. Different options were discussed. The Board stated that we are waiting for answers on a grant that was applied for from the Department of Natural Resources and we are waiting to hear from the City of Oakbrook Terrace. Director Neubauer will e-mail a copy of the letter to Dan Summins for review before it is sent to the Oakbrook City Council. The architects reviewed the process needed to move forward. The scope of the project was discussed. The Board agreed to clear the land, check into utilities needed, storm water, parking and lighting issues.

A site analysis was recommended and a topography survey. The architects discussed other projects as comparison. Different amenities were discussed by the board such as pathways, tennis courts, shelters, bike paths, fishing piers etc. The Board agreed to reconfigure the sled hill if possible. Patrick Lemar explained the problems with the hill. Fencing and burms were discussed. The architects will review the problem. The proposal was discussed. Motion made by Daniel Summins to approve the site investigation with a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00. Motion seconded by Terry Purkart. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May absent, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion carried. Ayes=4 Naves=0 Abstain=0 and Absent=1. Surveys were discussed. The Board agreed to call a special meeting if necessary to approve any future proposals.

7. LEGAL REPORT: Director Neubauer stated that she is working on obtaining Pollution Coverage on the new property. The attorney will send PDRMA the appropriate documents. The attorney is working on getting the new park tax exempt.
8. FINANCIAL REPORT:
  - A. Treasurer Ann DeGroot reported on the status of funds for January 17, 2006 as follows: IPTIP \$521,149.26, WSB Checking: \$53,783.23, Harris Bank: \$7,787.83, and Petty Cash: \$300.00.
  - B. Financial Report: Motion made by Terry Purkart to accept the financial report as given and motion seconded by Daniel Summins. A Roll call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May absent, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion carried. Ayes=4 Naves=0 Abstain=0 Absent=1.

- C. Check Disbursements: Motion made by Terry Purkart to approve check numbers 7236-7294 totaling \$181,334.85 including payroll of 44,870.63. Also, the last NEDSRA payment of \$10,701.00 and a bond payment of \$95,000.000 were paid. Motion seconded by Daniel Summins. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May absent, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion carried. Ayes=4 Naves=0 Abstain=0 Absent=1.
9. SAFETY REPORT: Director Neubauer reported that ADT was contacted to install a Fire alarm system at the new property. Tim Lenc from PDRMA came out last Thursday to start the review process. There are many forms to complete and he will be back in May to check our progress. The Kitchen stove ansul system passed inspection. The kitchen also passed the Health Department inspection. Treasurer Ann DeGroot questioned the extra signs in the parks for no ice-skating. Patrick said they were added as an extra precaution advised by PDRMA.
10. SPECIAL RECREATION REPORT: Director Neubauer reported that she attended the Gateway Board meeting on January 12<sup>th</sup>. She will be attending the Parent Advisory Meeting on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Summer programs are being planned. All of the SRA's in our region will be putting in \$1,000.00 to hire someone to lobby for the SRA's. Discussion took place. The money will be taken from within Gateway's budget.
11. STAFF REPORTS: Director Neubauer asked the Board if they had any questions regarding staff reports. The Board reviewed the staff reports.
12. DIRECTOR REPORT:
- Director Neubauer stated that the Park District Commissioners would be Receiving the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary agency award at conference. Also, the 2005 fall Brochure won best cover and the whole brochure series won for best overall. The Board congratulated Jeremy Fila and the staff.
  - Staff met with Dr. Schewe, The principal at York Center School, Nancy Munoz and the Treasurer Jay Tobian concerning a possible intergovernmental agreement. Discussion took place. Possible land lease or a new soccer field was also discussed. The Board gave the staff more ideas to negotiate. Director Neubauer is waiting for the proposal from the district. The land cash donation ordinance and York Center Park District's boundaries will be sent to Dr. Schewe.
  - Director Neubauer stated that the Teen Skip Trip to Chestnut Mountain in Galena will be going.
  - Cinderella's Ball is Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - The Candlelight Bowl is Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - Commissioner asked Director Neubauer to call the auditor regarding the new rules for IMRF and how it will impact us.

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Director Neubauer presented the Board with the Wild Goose Chase Contracts. The Board agreed the service has been exceptional, however, they would like staff to research other companies. Staff will look into more companies at conference. Motion made by Terry Purkart to table the contracts until the next meeting. Motion seconded by Daniel Summins. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May absent, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion carried. Ayes=4 Nays=0 Abstain=0 Absent=1.

14. NEW BUSINESS: None

15. ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Daniel Summins to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 9:10 p.m. and seconded by Ann DeGroot. On a voice vote, motion carried.

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Margaret Crotty  
Board President

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Sharon T. Labak-Neubauer  
Board Secretary/Executive Director

Date:\_\_\_\_\_