

**YORK CENTER PARK DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MAY 18, 2010**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** President Margaret Crotty called the May 18, 2010 Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. at the York Center Park District Board Room located at 1609 S. Luther in Lombard, Illinois.

2. **ROLL CALL:** The following roll Call was taken:
Members Present: Margaret Crotty, President
Ann DeGroot, Treasurer
Julie May, Commissioner
Terry Purkart, Vice President
Daniel Summins, Commissioner
Members Absent: None
Others Present: Sharon T. Labak-Neubauer, Executive Director/Board Secretary and Patrick Lemar, Superintendent of Parks and Facilities. Ms. Linda Leonard, Ms. Bernie Cook, Mr. Andy Kranenborg, and Mr. John Cullen.

3. **COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:** Ms. Linda Leonard of 1512 S. 3rd, Lombard Illinois stated that putting the water in this neighborhood would be fine if it did not cost so much money and hardship. She has lived here for 47 years and the cost is hurting people. Two hundred houses were cut out of the map. She asked the Board to take all into consideration.

Bernie Cook of 1405 S. Meyers Road, Lombard Illinois stated that she has lived here for 36 years and that things are changing. She is tired of scouring her bathroom fixtures and she cannot get her clothes white. She sees the water project as a benefit. She stated a public building needs to be safe. She hopes the Park District will support the water issue. The Park District has five votes.

Andy Kranenborg of 1 S. 424 Fairview, Lombard Illinois asked the Board who is in favor of the water. He stated that the cost would be \$59,000 for over 20 years per household. He stated the cost is a big factor. He distributed a picture to the Board of what the tower would look like next to Knolls Park. Board President Margaret Crotty stated that the tower would not be in Knolls Park. Discussion took place.

John Cullen of 1509 S. Luther, Lombard Illinois stated that this should not be an issue for the Park District. The Park District would be getting the water for free. This is a non-issue for the Park District. The water would be better for the kids. His children go to camp at the Park District and the water would be better for the kids. Dan Summins stated that the water tower would become part of the scenery. Terry Purkart stated that April 27th was the hearing date and they have 60 days from that date. Julie May said the Commissioners represent the Community. Patrick Lemar stated that bottled water costs about \$160.00 a month. Discussion took place about how bad the water is for the pipes. Discussion took place about water softeners. Patrick Lemar will check into water softeners. Peggy Crotty thanked the public for attending the meeting.

4. **BOARD MINUTES:** Motion made by Terry Purkart to accept the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of April 20, 2010 and motion seconded by Ann DeGroot. On a voice vote, motion passed.
5. **APPOINTMENT OF NEW OFFICERS:** Motion made by Terry Purkart to keep the officers the same for the next year and motion seconded by Daniel Summins. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May aye, Terry Purkart aye and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0 Abstain=0 and Absent=0.
6. **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR:** Motion made by Terry Purkart to keep Joseph Julius, LTD of Arlington Heights as the Auditor for the York Center Park District. Motion was seconded by Daniel Summins. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May aye, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0, Abstain=0 and Absent=0.
7. **APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY:** Motion made by Terry Purkart to table decision of choosing an attorney. Motion seconded by Ann DeGroot. Director Neubauer would like to finish out the park project with Charlene Holtz.
8. **FINANCIAL REPORTS:**
 - A. Financial Status as of May 2010: Treasurer Ann DeGroot presented the financial report as follows: WSB Checking: \$14,456.47, IPTIP: \$346,852.88, Harris Bank: \$31,412.88 Petty Cash: \$300.00. Motion made by Terry Purkart to accept the financial report as given and motion seconded by Julie May. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May aye, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0, Abstain=0 And Absent=0
 - B. Check Disbursements of April 2010. Motion made by Terry Purkart to approve check numbers 11121-11179 totaling: \$64,212.18 including payroll. Motion seconded by Julie May. A roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May aye, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0 Abstain=0 and Absent=0.
9. **LEGAL REPORT:** 1. Director Neubauer stated that Charlene Holtz has been working on getting the paper work from the developer for the new Knolls Community Park. 2. Director Neubauer presented the Board with the proposal from Joseph Brusseau concerning the Co-op park property. Motion made by Daniel Summins to review the parcels of land for best use and motion seconded by Terry Purkart. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May aye, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a roll Call vote, motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0, Abstain=0 and Absent=0. 3. Discussion took place concerning the water tower at York Township. President Crotty asked Director Neubauer for her opinion. Director Neubauer stated that it is in the best interest of the York Center Park District to have Lake Michigan water, however, this item is not on the agenda and should not be voted on at this time. Commissioner Daniel Summins agreed with Director Neubauer that at time the Park board should not vote on this issue. Director Neubauer will put the item on next month's agenda for more discussion.

10. **SAFETY REPORT:** There are no safety issues at this time.

11. **SPECIAL RECREATION REPORT:** Gateway is negotiating the contract with Ray Graham.

12. **STAFF REPORTS:** Patrick Lemar presented the capital project list to the Board. Commissioner Daniel Summins thanked Patrick for putting the report together. The Board agreed that the last three months of the year should be when the Board purchases large items if there is a surplus. Patrick explained that the air conditioners are desperately needed. The roof can go another year. Patrick explained about the roofer he found that he would like to use when the time is right.

He is licensed, insured and bonded. Discussion took place concerning the truck. It is eleven years old and has 40,000 miles on it. We have spent \$7,000.00 on truck repairs this past year alone. Patrick stated he would like to purchase a new truck through the state. Discussion took place concerning the budget. Daniel Summins agreed staff has done a good job on the budget the past two years. The board would like to wait until February for further discussion on the truck.

Patrick Lemar stated the air conditioning needed to be replaced. Motion made by Daniel Summins to have the air conditioning units replaced by K & J for \$10,799.00 and seconded by Ann DeGroot. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May aye, Terry Purkart aye and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0, Absent=0 and Abstain=0. Patrick Lemar stated that the Catalpa Tree needs to be cut down at the new park. Motion made by Daniel Summins to contract Shamokin Tree Care for \$1,320.00 to cut down the tree. Motion seconded by Terry Purkart. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May aye, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0, Abstain=0 and Absent=0.

13. **DIRECTOR REPORT:**

-Director Neubauer explained the situation about the two fishermen fighting at Lake Yelenich and the use of inappropriate language in front of the children. Motion made by Ann DeGroot to ban them from fishing at the Lake Yelenich and Knolls Park and motion seconded by Julie May. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Julie May aye, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0, Abstain=0 and Absent=0.

-The Co-op would like us to take over the park parcels of land. Director Neubauer will contact Joseph Brusseau to review the land now that the Board voted on it.

-Patrick will look into getting estimates for Grammercy Park Playground replacement.

-We are still waiting for Copenhaver to present certified payrolls to the attorney.

-We received a complaint from a resident about loud picnics in the park. We will be putting up signs about noise levels, park hours etc.

*Motion to go into Executive Session made by Julie May at 8:25 p.m. to discuss personnel and motion seconded by Daniel Summins. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann Degroot aye, Julie May aye, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0, Abstain=0 and Absent=0.

*Motion to go out of Executive Session made by Terry Purkart at 8:50 p.m. and motion seconded by Daniel Summins. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot

aye, Julie May aye, Terry Purkart aye, and Daniel Summins aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0, Abstain=0 and Absent=0. The Board agreed to give salary increases to some salaried staff as discussed.

-Director Neubauer explained the request from the gym teacher at York Center School, by Mr. Huckstadt. Director Neubauer explained the risk presented by PDRMA. The Board requested Director Neubauer speak with the Superintendent of the school for more information. Director Neubauer will e-mail the Board with the response.

14. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

15. **NEW BUSINESS:** None

16. **ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 9:00 p.m. and motion seconded by Terry Purkart. On a voice vote, motion passed.

Margaret Crotty
Board President
Date: _____

Sharon T. Labak-Neubauer
Board Secretary/Executive Director