

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
SKOKIE PARK DISTRICT
MAY 15, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

ATTENDANCE AT MEETING

Board Members Present: President Mike Reid
Commissioner Susan Aberman
Commissioner Jerry B. Clarito
Commissioner Michael W. Alter

Others Present: Director/Secretary Mark Schneiderman
Superintendent of Parks and Facilities John Ohrlund
Treasurer William G. Schmidt
Superintendent of Recreation Michelle Tuft

Absent: Vice President Maureen Yanes

CALL TO ORDER

President Reid called the regular meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

There were no citizen comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

With no items removed from the Consent Agenda, Commissioner Clarito moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Aberman seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners voted aye. Commissioner Alter and Vice President Yanes were absent. Motion carried. The Consent Agenda consisted of: Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of April 24, 2012; Minutes of the Annual Meeting of April 24, 2012; Bills Payable for the month of May 2012; Treasurer's Report; and Staff Reports.

Commissioner Alter entered the meeting at 7:01p.m.

AUTHORIZATION TO BID SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEM AT OAKTON PARK/OAKTON CENTER

Superintendent Ohrlund requested authorization to bid a security camera system at Oakton Park and Oakton Community Center. \$35,000.00 has been budgeted in the Safety and Liability Fund for a security camera system.

Commissioner Aberman inquired if security cameras were already installed at Oakton Center. Superintendent Ohrlund responded that the current cameras are outdated and limited. He stated that the Park District is gradually installing security cameras at various facilities. Weber Center, the Skatium and Skokie Sports Park have security cameras on their premises. The security cameras have proven to be helpful in deterring bad behavior and crime. The Skokie Police Department has found the security cameras helpful in assistance with crime solving.

Commissioner Alter moved to authorize staff to prepare specifications and bid out a security camera system for Oakton Center and Oakton Park. Commissioner Clarito seconded the motion. On a roll call vote all Commissioners voted aye. Vice President Yanes was absent. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION TO BID DISTRICT-WIDE SEAL COATING

Superintendent Ohrlund requested authorization for District-wide seal coating for 17 different locations including asphalt trails and parking lots. Oakton Park, Devonshire Park, Skokie Sports Park and Weber Park are scheduled for the seal coating this year. \$81,500.00 has been budgeted in the Building and Improvement Fund for this service. The seal coating would be done in late summer.

Commissioner Clarito moved to authorize staff to prepare specifications and bid out District-wide seal coating. Commissioner Alter seconded the motion. On a roll call vote all Commissioners voted aye. Vice President Yanes was absent. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF GOLF BALL PURCHASE FOR SKOKIE SPORTS PARK

Superintendent Ohrlund explained that annually the Park District purchases golf balls for use at Skokie Sports Park. In December 2010 the Board approved a contract with Wilson Sporting Goods of Chicago for golf balls at a price of \$3.95 per dozen. Wilson Sporting Goods of Chicago will honor the contractual price and staff is requesting approval of the purchase of 11,000 dozen range golf balls from Wilson Sporting Goods of Chicago.

Commissioner Aberman moved to authorize the purchase of 11,000 dozen range golf balls from Wilson Sporting Goods for \$43,450.00. Commissioner Alter seconded the motion. On a roll call vote all Commissioners voted aye. Vice President Yanes was absent. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

At this time President Reid confirmed the date of the June Board Meeting with the other Commissioners. The next regular meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, June 19, 2012, at 7:00P.M.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Alter commented on the fabulous effort and preparation for the annual Ice Show provided by Kerry Murphy, Ice Skating Supervisor. Commissioner Alter has received many positive comments from parents of children that skate at the Skatium and participate in the Ice Show. The Ice Shows were sold out again this year including two additional shows that were added this year.

President Reid commented on the Festival of Cultures event that will take place on Saturday, May 19 and Sunday, May 20 at Oakton Park. Beautiful weather is expected for the weekend. President Reid reminded Commissioners that Opening Ceremonies begin at 1p.m. on Saturday.

Commissioner Aberman inquired up the upcoming NATO summit to be held this weekend in Chicago and its’ effect on Skokie. Executive Director Schneiderman responded that the Park District is working with the Village of Skokie and Red Cross. If needed Weber Leisure Center will be one of the emergency sites.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Alter to adjourn the regular meeting. Commissioner Clarito seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners voted aye. Vice President Yanes was absent. Motion carried. The regular meeting ended at 7:09p.m.

Michael Reid
President

Mark Schneiderman
Secretary