MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
SKOKIE PARK DISTRICT
MAY 28, 2014
7:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE AT MEETING

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

Others Present: Director/Secretary John V. Ohrlund
Superintendent of Parks Michael Rea
Superintendent of Recreation and Facilities Michelle Tuft
Executive Administrative Assistant Ann Perez

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 citizens present.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

With no items removed from the Consent Agenda, Vice President Aberman moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Yanes seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners voted aye. Motion carried. The Consent Agenda consisted of: Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 24, 2014; Bills Payable for the months of April 2014/May 2014; Treasurer's Report; and Staff Reports.

APPROVAL OF SKATIUM PROJECT CHANGE ORDER #3

Superintendent Rea requested approval of Change Order #3 for the Skatium Project. Change Order #3 is for the installation of a warning light system for an additional $4,903.00. The warning light system will assist staff with monitoring the compressor system operations. The warning light system will be installed on the studio rink wall. Included in the change order is a credit for supplying the contractor erosion fabric and stone for a total of $1,000.00. The net cost of the change order after the $1,000.00 deduction is $3,903.00.

Vice President Aberman inquired about the budget for this project. Superintendent Rea responded that the project is approximately $90,000.00 under budget.

Vice President Aberman moved to approve Change Order #3 for the Skatium project for an addition of $3,903.00. Commissioner Clarito seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners voted aye. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A TORO GREENSMASTER GREENS MOWER MODEL 3150-Q

Superintendent Tuft requested authorization to purchase a Toro Greensmaster Greens Mower Model 3150-Q from Reindeers. $56,000.00 is budgeted for the equipment. The purchase price of the new Toro Greensmaster Greens Mower 3150-Q is $33,344.48 and will be obtained through the National IPA pricing.

Staff received a quote from JW Turf for a John Deere 2500B Precision Cut Riding Greens Mower for $31,744.85. The mower was less expensive, but did not meet the performance specifications, including not having a reverse gear. Staff currently has compatible inventory for the new Toro mower and savings will be realized long term.

President Reid inquired about the difference in a greens mower from other mowers. Superintendent Rea explained that a greens mower has multiple reel blades, is hydraulically driven and makes a fine cut on the greens at the golf course.

Commissioner Yanes moved to authorize staff to purchase one Toro Greensmaster Greens Mower Model 3150-Q from Reinders Inc. for $33,344.48. Commissioner Alter seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners voted aye. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Reid discussed the date for the June Board Meeting. The date for the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was set for Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Weber Leisure Center.

President Reid reminded the Commissioners the Community Input Meeting for the Comprehensive Plan will be held on Thursday, June 5, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Vice President Aberman inquired how the meeting was being promoted to the public. Executive Director Ohrlund said a wide variety of media is being used. Executive Director Ohrlund said he had an interview with a reporter from the Skokie Review and expects an article next week. Superintendent Tuft said promotions include posters in all facilities, newsletters, direct mail, web page, Facebook, lighted signs, bulletin boards, and email blasts.

Executive Director Ohrlund reminded the Commissioners of the Special Board Meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. with the Comprehensive Plan consultants.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Yanes inquired about the status of the Walk around the Block idea that was discussed at a previous meeting. There was a discussion on the topic. President Reid suggested that an outline should be drafted. Vice President Aberman suggested involving the Skokie Police to determine where the program may be most beneficial. Commissioner Yanes envisions the program to promote exercise and cleaning up litter. President Reid said he would discuss with the Village Trustees to determine if there is any interest and report back to the Board.

Commissioner Yanes asked if Scott Runkle, Risk Management and Special Facilities Manager, could update the Board on the Illinois Project for Local Assessment of Needs (IPLAN) Committee at a future board meeting. Superintendent Tuft responded that Scott could do so later in the fall.

Executive Director Ohrlund reported that an invitation to the Grand Opening of the Butterfly Garden on Friday, June 6th at the Weber Park Golf Course was emailed to the Commissioners. Bike Safety Day and Woofstock is this weekend. The Weber Gymnasium will be closed for gym floor refinishing on June 4 – June 8. The Downtown Skokie Revisted/First Friday will be coming up next week.

Executive Director Ohrlund reported that the Skatium ice rink is not operational. The compressor failed over the past weekend and caused the ice to melt. The anticipation is for the Skatium to be operational by June 9. A leak was discovered at the Devonshire Aquatics Center pool. The pool is operational.

<u>ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE OF REGULAR MEETING</u>

Commissioner Alter moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Commissioner Yanes seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners voted aye. Motion carried. The regular meeting ended at 7:35 p.m.

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Michael Reid   John V. Ohrlund
President   Secretary