



MINUTES OF MAY 8, 2014 MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Commissioner Kryger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Upon roll call the following commissioners were present: Commissioners Kryger, Piotrowski, and Montgomery.

(Commissioner Saunderson arrived at 6:20 pm and Commissioner Berntsen at 6:37 pm)

Staff Present: Executive Director Reiner, Superintendent of Business and Communications Connie Murphy, Superintendent of Recreation Sara Venuto, Manager of Parks and Facilities Don Nuenthel, and Administrative Coordinator Oona Kelly.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Piotrowski made a motion to approve the Agenda for May 8, 2014; seconded by Commissioner Saunderson.

Discussion: There was no discussion at this time.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 4 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Montgomery and Kryger)

NAYS: None

INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS AND STAFF

Dennis Devitt (Resident), Bob Garstki, (Resident), and Tod Stanton from Design Perspectives arrived shortly after the meeting had been called to order.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – April 10, 2014

Commissioner Saunderson made a motion to approve the Board meeting minutes of April 10, 2014; seconded by Commissioner Piotrowski.

Discussion: There was no discussion at this time.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 3 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, and Montgomery)

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: 1 (Commissioner Kryger who was absent on April 10, 2014)

APPROVAL PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES – April 10, 2014

Commissioner Piotrowski made a motion to approve the Board meeting minutes of April 10, 2014; seconded by Commissioner Saunderson.

Discussion: There was no discussion at this time.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 3 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, and Montgomery)

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: (Commissioner Kryger who was absent on April 10, 2014)

COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Director Reiner encouraged the board to let him know as soon as possible if they would be attending NEDSRA's "Reach for the Stars" event.

Director Reiner distributed a document from Tressler addressing issues involved with FOIA and the private vendor explaining how the information relates to the Park District's relationship with The Conservation Foundation.

Director Reiner offered the Board the opportunity to review some legal documents regarding the property at 53 and 56. They were not made part of the public record at this time.

TOPICS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no topics from the floor at this time.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT – (April 2014)

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion to accept the April 2014 Financial Report; seconded by Commissioner Piotrowski.

Director Reiner explained that a year-end report would be available at the June meeting.

Upon roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 4 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS–Approval of Claims List (April 2014)

Commissioner Saunderson made a motion to approve the Disbursements of April 2014; seconded by Commissioner Montgomery.

Director Reiner explained that the payment to Ed Cooney was for a Phase II environmental study.

Upon roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 4 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Saunderson inquired about the new policy of locking the back door and Director Reiner explained that we are increasing building security and that the parents of our participants are understanding and appreciative of our efforts to protect the children.

Commissioner Piotrowski expressed her appreciation for the professional manner in which the press conference was handled.

Commissioner Kryger expressed his and the Board's appreciation for all of the hard work on Staff's part regarding the property at 53 and 56 as well as the entire year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports at this time.

DIRECTOR'S AND OPERATIONS REPORT

a.) Director's Administration and Parks Report

- A preliminary meeting has been held with the auditors with a date set for the upcoming audit field work.
- The lease on the 53 and 56 property will not go forward until the deal closes.
- Very productive meetings took place on a recent trip to Springfield. The grant money has come in.
- We have applied for a work force grant to assist with the cleanup of the property at 53 and 56.
- Grass mowing has started. The first few mowings were rough as usual, but with improved weather things will settle down.
- Tree planting will be ongoing with a plan in place for each park.

c.) Recreation Report

- Swim team parent meeting went very well.
- Many staff training sessions are scheduled for May including CPR, lifeguards, camp, etc.
- Our Spring Eggstravaganza event was very successful.
- Last weekend our trip to the Botanic Gardens was well-attended and enjoyed.
- Our in-house tennis program with Stacey Slaughter is underway and the session is full.

d.) Early Childhood/Administrative Services Report

- There were no questions from the Board regarding Karin's report at this time.

e.) Special Reports

There were no Special Reports at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a.) Approval of Annual Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings Calendar

Commissioner Saunderson made a motion to approve the Annual Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings Calendar as presented; seconded by Commissioner Berntsen.

Discussion: There was no discussion at this time.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 5 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Berntsen, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

b.) Annual Meeting Election/Appointments of Officers

Commissioner Saunderson made a motion to maintain the current appointments of Commissioners Kryger and Piotrowski as President and Vice-President of the Board respectively; seconded by Commissioner Montgomery.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 5 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Berntsen, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion to appoint the law firm of Tressler as legal counsel with David Freeman as the lead contact; seconded by Commissioner Berntsen.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 5 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Berntsen, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

Commissioner Saunderson made a motion to appoint Dr. Larry Reiner as Executive Director, Board Recording/Assistant Secretary, NEDSRA Board Representative, and PDRMA Representative; seconded by Commissioner Piotrowski.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 5 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Berntsen, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

Commissioner Berntsen made a motion to appoint Dr. Larry Reiner as Treasurer and Chief Financial Compliance Officer; seconded by Commissioner Piotrowski.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 5 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Berntsen, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

Commissioner Piotrowski made a motion to appoint Commissioner Berntsen as Secretary to the Board; seconded by Commissioner Montgomery.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 5 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Berntsen, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

Commissioner Kryger made a motion to approve all other Annual Appointments as presented; seconded by Commissioner Berntsen.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 5 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Berntsen, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

Commissioner Saunderson made a motion to approve all President's Committee Chair Appointments for the Fiscal Year 2014-15 as presented; seconded by Commissioner Berntsen.

Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously:

AYES: 5 (Commissioners Saunderson, Piotrowski, Berntsen, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

Commissioner Montgomery volunteered to represent the Park District as the Village Board liaison.

Commissioner Piotrowski volunteered to represent the Park District as County Plan Commission liaison.

All commissioners encouraged Director Reiner to contact them as needed to represent the Park District as Homeowners Association and /or Community Environmental liaisons.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business to be discussed at this time.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

At 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Piotrowski moved to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Saunderson.

Upon a voice vote, the motion passed:

AYES: 5 (Commissioners Saunderson, Berntsen, Piotrowski, Montgomery, and Kryger)

NAYS: None

PRESIDENT _____

BOARD SECRETARY _____