

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
April 9 2014
6:00 PM

Agenda Item #1 Call to Order

President Bernas called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM

Agenda Item #2 Roll Call

Comm. Bernas, Comm. Karesh, Comm. Long, Comm. Main, Comm. Smith, Ron Gunter, Director, Bob Fleck, Supt. of Parks and Planning, Alice Krampits, Museum Curator and Senior Coord, Keith Johnson, Greens Supt., Steve Golembiewski, Asst. Supt. of Rec., Kevin Siewak, Athletic Coord., Joel Hymen, IT and Rec. Supervisor, John Chorney, Maintenance Foreman and Bobbi Trifilio, Admin. Asst.

Agenda Item #3 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 12, 2014.

- a. Motion was made by Comm. Main and seconded by Comm. Karesh to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 12, 2014.

Roll Call: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
Motion Carried.

- b. Motion was made by Comm. Long and seconded by Comm. Main to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of March 12, 2014.

Roll Call: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item #4 Claims Ordinance

President Bernas called for a motion to pay the March claims.

Motion was made by Comm. Main and seconded by Comm. Smith to approve the April Claims.

Roll Call: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item #5 Open Forum

- a. General Public
No one was present from the general public

b. Written

There is an invitation for Commissioners to attend the SEASPAR "Believe and Achieve Banquet". Comm. Main discussed her trip to Washington DC for the Legislative Forum. She is planning to invite Peter Rashman to meet with several local Park Districts, including Westmont, at his home office as was suggested by one of his aides.

Agenda Item # 6 Unfinished Business

a. Rotary Park Playground Update

Bob stated that Keith is tearing out the playground at Rotary Park so that it'll be ready to go. Bids for the replacement are due next week.

b. Gym Usage/Rentals at Westmont Community Center and the Fitness Club.

Kevin supplied an extensive calendar schedule for the Community Center showing the gym use and rentals. Rick provided a short version of same for the Fitness Club. Holy Trinity's use has been cut way back so the income is much less from them. The question was raised if renting the Fitness Club gym hurts membership. Staff feels as long as we publicize the gym times, rental of the gym does not hurt our membership. The Board wants staff to see if any rentals at the club can be moved to the Community Center gym.

c. Review Time Line for Filling Office Manager's Position

Bob told the Board he and Kim are currently accepting letters of interest and resumes until the 14th of April. After interviews they will choose someone the 1st week of May.

d. Park Projects

Staff is working at Ty Splash Pad on the new equipment and umbrellas. The gator has not arrived as of yet.

The ramp at the Community Center has been filled in with some patch so the barricades can be removed. Bob explained both options for repairs to the ramp.

When he gets the cost estimates it will help to determine which option to choose. The ramp will be closed for approximately 1 ½ weeks once the repairs begin. We may want to wait until after summer.

The Little League Concession Stand remodel will keep the electric room off limits from the concession area. The storage shed will keep the concession stand neater.

The fountain vault at Ty Warner Park the staff needed to use picks to remove the ice. We are waiting for the concrete guys to get the work finished.

e. Other

Bob asked the Board for their opinion about replacing the sign at Fitz Werely Park. He asked the Board if they want to stay with the sand blasted signs for approximately \$3,500 or begin changing over to the new materials that won't rot. He showed some examples to the Board. He will get prices on the new types of signs.

7. New Business

a. State of Illinois Youth Job Program

Bob is going to apply for the II. Youth Job Program Grant. We had five young people from the grant last summer from June to August. We could use them again this summer for beautification projects at Ty Warner Park. We applied for 10 positions.

b. Web App to improve service to public

Joel showed the Board two options for apps. We would need to build a whole new website. The less expensive option is \$3,000 and is very plain. The more expensive option is \$9,000, it would be like a mini website. You would get a free app when you went to the website. The Board agreed we need to do the more expensive app to stay current with the times. Ron will put it in the budget for 2014-2015.

c. Ron told the Board that June 1st Bond Issue will be for \$70,000. He will send out bid letters to the banks next month's meeting. The money will be used to pay interest payment on the long term debt.

d. Group Hospital Insurance Review 2014-2015

Ron provide a report on the group hospital insurance in the Board packet. We only had one response for a price quote. Ron discussed our current insurance. He asked the Board to keep the employee contribution to 13%. The Board agreed.

e. IMRF Update

Ron sent a memo to the Board showing the Westmont Park District level of funding.

f. Park Day at the Capital – April 29, 2014

Diane, John, Ron, Bob and Steve will be going to Springfield for the Park Day at the Capital on April 29th. We will have a table again to highlight the Westmont Park District. The following day is the Legislative Conference.

g. Fitness Club Update

Joel reported that March was a good month with +7 members.

h. Golf Course Update

Craig reported that we finally opened a week ago Monday. It was a rough winter and nothing is really green yet except for the grass. A lot of the landscaping was hit hard by the extreme cold weather. June 6,7 and 8 the golf course will be celebrating their 30th Anniversary with roll back prices, contests and \$5 rounds of golf.

Agenda Item #8 Staff Reports

Steve Monday, March 31-Friday, April 4 we had our Spring Break Camporama program. We had 11 participants. On Friday, April 11-13, the Progressive Village Performance Network will be performing Arsenic and Old Lace at the Westview Middle School. Programs that will start this month include: Tantalizing Taste, Teen activities will include: Paintball and Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt.

Alice reported that the senior trip activities has been slow because of the bad weather. She is offering a new program called Ageless Grace that will replace our Sit and Be Fit program. It is an anti-aging fitness program that has been approved by Silver Sneakers program for senior healthcare. A free introductory class will be held on Wednesday, May 7th from 11-11:45AM.

Linda and I are working on summer trips for the next senior newsletter that will be available soon. Trips will include Milwaukee, Lake Geneva, and Arlington Race Track. Registration will begin April 21st. The Spring Palette Art Show was held on Sunday,

March 16th from 11-4pm at the Gregg House. We had 133 visitors despite the cold weather. The Spring Craft Show was held in in the Senior Center and had 77 visitors. We had a record 30 artists exhibiting their work this year. Later this month, we will begin setting up our summer exhibit about Curious George. We will also have information on the history of the Curtis-Gregg Fashion Plate Circus.

Joel told the Board that we will be upgrading with a projector on the ceiling. Kim will be back for the May meeting. He will be working with a summer intern from Eastern Illinois University at the end of May, her name is Brita. He explained that he has been working with AT&T to remove old unused lines. He has also been working with Craig at the golf course on the new system.

Kevin reported that adult softball registration is coming in and games are scheduled to begin the first week of May. Games will be played Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday at Ty Warner and Twin Lakes. Men's basketball season is still continuing and will be wrapping up at the end of the month. I've been working with the Illinois Girls Lacrosse Association to provide an opportunity for girl's lacrosse. I am working on coordinating reservations for all baseball, softball and soccer fields. The WYBA Opening Day is May 4th at Veterans Memorial. All of the staff will be out cooking and serving hot dogs. The Race to the Flag is May 26. Wildcats registration in May.

Bob reported that starting Monday they will be working on the grass in the outfield to have 70' bases for the travel teams and leave 60' bases for the regular teams. The bronze statue at Ty Warner Park will be installed the end of May. He is considering putting a fence and scrubs around it to keep people off the statue. He may wait on the fence to see if there is a problem.

Agenda Item # 9 Executive Session – Personnel

Motion was made by Comm. Smith and seconded by Comm. Main to adjourn to Executive Session on personnel.

Roll Call: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item #10 Adjournment

Motion was made by Comm. Smith and seconded by Comm. Main to adjourn the regular session.

Roll Call: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
Motion Carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm