

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

CHICAGO RIDGE PARK DISTRICT

August 28, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

President Pratl called the meeting to order at 8:00pm.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present: Crout, Lind en route, Egan absent with notice, Conrad and Pratl.

Also present: Director King, Maintenance Supervisor Biskey, and Recreation Superintendent Malito.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Pratl called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners dated July 24, 2013. Motion was made by Commissioner Crout and seconded by Commissioner Conrad.

Roll Call

Ayes: Commissioner Crout, Conrad, Pratl

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried.

President Pratl called for a motion to approve the Regular Committee/Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners dated August 14, 2013. Motion was made by Commissioner Crout

and seconded by Commissioner Conrad.

Roll Call

Ayes: Commissioner Crout, Conrad, Pratl

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried.

PUBLIC/STAFF WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

There was no one to address the Board.

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FINANCE

Commissioner Crout made a motion to approve the cash disbursements for July/August in the amount of \$80,796.82. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Conrad.

Roll Call

Ayes: Commissioner Crout, Conrad, Pratl

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried.

REPORTS

President:

President Pratl commented that staff issues will be handled in Executive Session. He also commented that the skate park and other special projects will be discussed at the next Committee Meeting.

Attorney:

President Pratl commented that he spoke with Attorney Stillman and told him that he would not be needed at the meeting.

Director:

Director King reported that Attorney Stillman is working on land use agreements for the Chicago Ridge Athletic Club and the Out Lady of the Ridge Men's Club concerning the storage containers they have on our property.

Director King commented that the maintenance staff has been working at the Freedom Activity Center getting ready for the school season.

The Tiny Tot Open House was well attended; additional chairs had to be set up to accommodate those in attendance. There were a total of 90 people in attendance.

Director King reported that they will not be doing the Spook-tacular this year at Ball Fore, but is

confident that they will be able to offer an alternative activity/event.

The health insurance is coming up for renewal in November. Director King is looking into competitive pricing through other brokers.

In regard to the dump truck purchase, Director King commented that the maintenance staff has been able to do some smaller jobs without it and suggested that they really look at the practicality of purchasing one versus renting one if it is needed only on an occasional basis.

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COMMITTEES:

Recreation:

Commissioner Crout asked about the Halloween plans. Recreation Superintendent Malito had three options to present. Option #3 was considered to be the best option.

Recreation Superintendent Malito reported on the enrollment for the Tiny Tot program.

They currently have 17 registered for the three-year-old class and 15 registered for the four/five-year-old class.

The RAH program currently has 81 children registered.

Recreation Superintendent Malito reported that he has spoken with the software technician who will be installing the web-based voting procedure for the holiday house decorating contests.

Recreation Superintendent Malito reported on the Illinois Open stating that it was a great event.

Maintenance:

Commissioner Conrad reported that the staff has a lot of things going on and gave the floor to Maintenance Supervisor Biskey for his report.

Maintenance Supervisor Biskey reported that Kamphuis Landscaping was out to remove the dead tree in front of the practice green at Ball Fore. They also went to Frontier to look at the area where the benches were removed.

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he Board was given a proposal from Kamphuis Landscaping for landscaping at Ball Fore, Frontier and the replacing of the tree that was damaged during the Ridge Fest of 2012.

Maintenance Supervisor Biskey reported that Ball Fore and Lily Pad are both running smoothly.

Maintenance Supervisor Biskey reported that the Freedom Activity Center and Frontier Fieldhouse have been cleaned and prepared for the upcoming season.

The maintenance staff has been watering the seed that was put down on the football field at Freedom Park and it has begun to sprout. Woodchips have also been added to the playground areas.

Based on the recommendation of Kamphuis Landscaping, Commissioner Conrad reported that he will be talking with the Ridge Fest Committee Chairman regarding the replacing of the tree that was damaged during the Ridge Fest of 2012 as well as the man hours spent fixing up the park after this year's Fest.

Recreation Superintendent Malito and Maintenance Supervisor Biskey then exited the meeting.

Special Projects:□

Commissioner Egan was not at the meeting. No report was given.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no old business to discuss.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

President Pratl called for a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the employment of specific employee(s) and for the discussion of imminent/pending litigation at 8:16pm. Motion was made by Commissioner Crout and seconded by Commissioner Conrad.

Roll Call

Ayes: Commissioner Crout, Conrad, Pratl

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried.

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OPEN SESSION

The Board entered back into Open Session at 8:22pm. Everyone was present. President Pratl called for a motion to approve the salary increases for employees as discussed in Executive Session.

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on was made by Commissioner Conrad and seconded by Commissioner Crout.

Roll Call

Ayes: Commissioner Crout, Conrad, Pratl

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried.

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ADJOURN

President Pratl called for a motion to adjourn at 8:23pm. Motion was made by Commissioner Conrad and seconded by Commissioner Crout.

All in favor, aye. Motion Carried.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Robert Lind

Robert Lind, Secretary Chicago Ridge Park District

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Approved by the Board of Commissioners on this 25th day of September, 2013.

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