

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

CHICAGO RIDGE PARK DISTRICT

August 27, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

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

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 23, 2014. Motion was made by Commissioner Conrad and seconded by Commissioner Pratl.

Roll Call

Ayes: Commissioner Conrad, Pratl

Nays: None

Abstain: Egan

Motion Carried.

President Pratl called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Committee Meeting of the Board of Commissioners dated August 13, 2014. Motion was made by Commissioner Conrad and seconded by Commissioner Pratl.

Roll Call

Ayes: Commissioner Conrad, Pratl

Nays: None

Abstain: Egan

Motion Carried.

PUBLIC/STAFF WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

There was no one to address the Board.

FINANCE

Commissioner Egan made a motion to approve the July/August disbursements in the amount of \$78,959.48. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Conrad.

Roll Call

Ayes: Commissioner Egan, Conrad, Pratl

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried.

President Pratl gave the floor to Director King to report on the upcoming issuance of General Obligation Park Bonds. The Hearing notice will be published on the 25th of September, BINA Hearing will be on September 10

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and the bond sale is scheduled for October 22

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The Board was given information regarding this for their review.

The Board was also informed of a letter the Park District received from the Illinois Department of

Labor requesting records pertaining to the Freedom Park Renovation project. The information that has been requested will be furnished to them.

REPORTS

President:

Commissioner Pratl encouraged the Board to be thinking about the plans for the Tot Lot area that will be improved with the Bond money. The parking lots will also be improved.

Attorney:

Attorney Stillman reported that the person who crashed into and destroyed the Commissioners Sign has disputed the amount he was charged for replacing the sign and that if the Park District pursues reimbursement from him, he will declare bankruptcy. Attorney Stillman recommended filing a law suit as the only recourse.

Attorney Stillman reported on the Ball Fore/ComEd issue. He stated that the Park District should contact their State Senator for help.

Director King informed the Board that he has forwarded all the invoices to P.D.R.M.A. for this expense.

In regard to the Executive Session minutes, Attorney Stillman recommended that the need for confidentiality still exists and that they should remain closed.

Director:

Director King reported on the audit which went well. The Board will be given the new audit report at the next meeting.

Director King reported on the Ring of Honor event. There were approximately 800 people in attendance.

The Park District will be putting the big bus in the Village of Chicago Ridge's 100th anniversary parade.

The Worth Ridge Panthers will be utilizing the parking lot at Ball Fore. Two Park District staff members will be responsible to close the gates and lock up after practices and games.

Director King reported that he will have some ideas from NuToys by next meeting.

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COMMITTEES:

Recreation:

Commissioner Crout was not at the meeting. President Pratl gave the floor to Recreation Superintendent Malito for his report.

Recreation Superintendent Malito reported on the day camp evaluation results which were very positive.

Recreation Superintendent Malito also reported that the bus cameras have been installed and he and Facilities Manager Gayle Boettger were trained in the software operation.

The RAH program is in full swing, staff is set and information is being prepared for the boys' basketball and girls' volleyball leagues which will begin soon.

Recreation Superintendent Malito reported that he has scheduled a meeting with someone from the St. Xavier's Art Department regarding the mural for the Freedom Activity Center building. Commissioner Pratl stated that he would like to be kept informed of any information on this.

Commissioner Egan asked if the new law regarding the sale of candy in the public schools applies to the Park District. Attorney Stillman stated that it does not apply to the Park District.

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Maintenance:

Commissioner Conrad asked about the area behind Freedom with caution tape; Maintenance Supervisor Biskey reported that it was a Public Works area and they were the ones to put the caution tape on the fence that was down.

Maintenance Supervisor Biskey reported that the maintenance staff has been deep cleaning in preparation for the upcoming school year for Tiny Tots and RAH classrooms.

The Lily Pad will be closing down after Labor Day and they will begin the winter closing procedures.

The parks continued to be watered, weeded, and trimmed.

Maintenance Supervisor Biskey reported that there was an issue with the big bus which has since been corrected. All buses went in for the semi-annual safety inspections and all passed.

Maintenance Supervisor Biskey reported that Richards High School used the Park District equipment (tables, chairs, tents) for the Black and gold football scrimmage which they were not charged for.

The Board was given a quote from C&C Asphalt for resurfacing the parking lots at Freedom Activity Center and Lily Pad, and with Board approval this work will be done over the weekend. The Board was in agreement.

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

Special Projects: □

Commissioner Egan stated that he will review the Corporate Policy Manual and report to the Board at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

President Pratl called for a motion to Adopt Ordinance #2014-06 – An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2014 of the Chicago Ridge Park District, Cook County, Illinois, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for the purpose of the refunding of the Park District's outstanding General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), series 2006, the financing of Park District capital needs and the payment of expenses incident thereto. Motion was made by Commissioner Conrad and seconded by Commissioner Egan.

Roll Call

Ayes: Commissioner Egan, Conrad, Pratl

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business to discuss

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no need to enter into Executive Session.

After review of semi-annual Executive Session minutes and upon the advice of counsel, President Pratl called for a motion to keep all Executive Session minutes closed. Motions was made by Commissioner Conrad and seconded by Commissioner Egan.

Roll Call

Ayes: Commissioner Egan, Conrad, Pratl

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried.

ADJOURN

President Pratl called for a motion to adjourn at 8:41pm. Motion was made by Commissioner Crout and seconded by Commissioner Egan.

All in favor, everyone responded aye.

Motion Carried.

August 27, 2014

Tuesday, 30 September 2014 12:13

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 24th day of September, 2014.

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