



**Park District of Oak Park
Committee of the Whole
Hedges Administrative Center
Oak Park, Illinois
Thursday, April 7, 2016**

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:37pm.

I. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Lentz, Porreca, Wick and Commissioner Aeschleman. Commissioner Guarino was absent.

Park District Staff present: Jan Arnold, Executive Director; Kyle Cratty, Director of Finance; Chris Lindgren, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds; and Karen Gruszka, Executive Assistant.

Others Present: Mattie Langenberg, AYSO, and residents.

II. Public Comment

III. Recreation and Facility Program Committee

A. Authorization of GALA Fireworks

Executive Director Arnold reminded the Board that this event is a great partnership and intergovernmental sharing event. As in previous years, Community Bank and the Great American Lightshow Association Charitable Trust have requested sponsorship from the Park District for the fireworks show in the amount of \$1,000. The Park District will assist with the coordination of the fireworks, some crowd control, and clean-up. The Board questioned the clean-up and effect on the turf. **This will come before the Board at the May Regular Board Meeting on the consent agenda.**

B. Youth Interventionist Agreement 2016-2018

Executive Director Arnold commented on the benefits the Park District receives being a part of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Oak Park Township Youth Services for Youth Interventionists/Coordinators. The Agreement is for two years with no real changes from the previous Agreements and the budgeted contributions were confirmed. The Board agreed it was a great collaboration and felt it was very valuable. **This will come before the Board at the May Regular Board on the consent agenda.**

IV. Buildings and Grounds/Facility Maintenance Committee

A. Taylor Park Soccer Field Drainage Project

Executive Director Arnold reminded the Board that Taylor Park consistently has the most games cancelled due to water drainage problems. It is the first to close due to rain and the last to reopen. Without the Taylor Park U12 field, the AYSO and other U12 teams have nowhere to play. Mattie Langenberg, AYSO, informed the Board that they had come forward to the PDOP to suggest a subsurface drainage system that they would like to purchase and install in the Taylor Park soccer field. Discussion took place on the product, installation, timeline, cost for AYSO, and where the

water displaced goes. **This will come before the Board at the June Regular Board on the consent agenda.**

B. I290 Update

Executive Director Arnold reminded the Board of the discussion that took place at the April Committee of the Whole Meeting. The Board discussed their desire to continue exploring the possibilities. All expressed their desire to "stay in the game". **No action is needed by the Board on this item.**

V. Administration and Finance Committee

A. Realgy Solar Project Discussion Update

Jan Arnold, Executive Director, informed the Board that the Park District has been approached by Realgy Solar to place solar panels on top of Ridgeland Common Recreation Center to create power for the facility. They are looking for a letter of intent. The cost of the current energy was discussed along with the warranty of the roof, adjustment of tax credits along with the information that an eight year lease was required. **This will come before the Board at the June Regular Board Meeting.**

B. Bi-Annual Executive Session Minutes Review and Release

Bi-annually the Executive Session minutes are to be reviewed under the Freedom of Information Act. Once reviewed, released minutes will be available for public viewing. The Board was informed of the meeting dates of the Executive Session minutes continuing to be held and the Executive Session minutes to be released upon their review by the Board Secretary, Executive Director, and PDOP attorney. **This will come before the Board at the May Regular Board Meeting under the consent agenda.**

C. Feasibility Study Update

Jan Arnold, Executive Director, updated the Board on the meetings that have already taken place including: the individual stake holders meetings and the initial meeting with the PDOP and site tours. Community meetings will be coming up along with individual meetings with different conglomerates of groups and businesses in Oak Park. This will be brought to the Board for approval in June. **This will come before the Board at the June Regular Board Meeting on the regular agenda.**

D. IECO

The IECO group has been meeting and would like to work on a community sustainability plan. It was also stated how pleased they were with the different entities working together during the PDOP's feasibility study. They would like emulate that and bring forth to each government entity in Oak Park an IGA along the same lines for the Oak Park entities to work together to form a sustainability plan. **This will come before the Board at the May Regular Board Meeting on the consent agenda.**

E. Mills Park Sculpture Walk Intergovernmental Agreement Update

Executive Director Arnold reminded the Board that the sculptures that have been located throughout Oak Park will now be placed around Mills Park. Staff will take part in choosing and placement of the sculptures. An IGA will be signed by the VOP and the PDOP. **This will come before the Board at the May Regular Board Meeting under the consent agenda.**

F. IAPD Legislative Day Update

David, Sandy, Kyle and I attended the Legislative Day in Springfield and got to see first-hand what's going on within the legislature and with the tax freeze and discuss current issues with other agencies. **No action is needed by the Board on this item.**

G. AGEEC Update & Ribbon Cutting Update

The Board was given the continuing construction updates and the date of the ribbon cutting, June 11, 2016. **No action is needed by the Board on this item.**

VI. New Business - None

VII. Closed Session - None

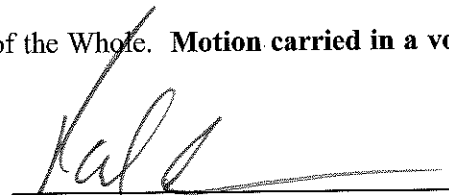
VIII. Adjournment

At 8:43p.m. a voice vote was taken to adjourn the Committee of the Whole. **Motion carried in a voice vote.**



Secretary
Board of Park Commissioners

June 16, 2016
Date



President
Board of Park Commissioners

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