



**PARK DISTRICT
of OAK PARK**

**Park District of Oak Park
Special Regular Board Meeting
Hedges Administrative Center
218 Madison Street, Oak Park, Illinois
Thursday, December 8, 2016 at 7:30pm**

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm.

I. ROLL CALL

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

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

Others Present: Joan Fiscella, League of Women Voters.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The motion was passed by a voice vote.

III. VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Wick and seconded by Commissioner Lentz to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the Cash and Investment Summary and Warrants and Bills for the month of November; approve Board Minutes from the Committee of the Whole Meeting November 3, 2016, and Regular Board Meeting November 17, 2016; approve the 2017 PACT Agreements; approve the 2017 Board Action Calendar; approve Bi-Annual Review and Release of Closed Session Minutes and release Closed Session Minutes from June 16, 2016 and August 18, 2016; and approve Community Solar Letter of Interest. **The motion passed with a roll call vote of 5:0.**

V. STAFF REPORTS

A. Director's Report

Jan Arnold, Executive Director, informed the Board that Kassie and Paul had accepted two Calvacade of Pride awards for the Park District – Special Facility AGEEC and a Green Award, that she had attended the PlanitGreen event, the winter brochure will be out on Saturday, the Park District Highlights are completed and a copy is at each of your places, and the ice rink is up at Taylor Park, Longfellow Park will be next and the rink at AGEEC will be up last.

B. Division Managers' Reports (Updates & Information): No additional to information in Board Packet.

C. Revenue/Expense Status Report – None.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Recreation and Facility Program Committee - None

B. Buildings and Grounds/Facility Maintenance Committee - None

1. **Euclid Square Park Improvement Phase II Approval***

Commissioner Guarino moved and Commissioner Wick seconded that the Park Board of Commissioners approve authorization for Executive Director Arnold to engage Friedler Construction, Chicago, Illinois, for an amount not to exceed \$1,068,329 for the construction of the Euclid Square Park Phase II improvements. Executive Director Arnold reminded the Board of the amenities in this improvement and that the playground equipment being replaced will be donated to Playgrounds Around The World. The bid came in under budget allowing for two alternates and a 13.5% contingency. Any monies left over will be put back into the CIP budget for future projects. **The motion passed by a voice vote 5:0.**

2. **Rehm Park Master Plan Acceptance***

Commissioner Guarino moved and Commissioner Wick seconded that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the updated Rehm Park Master Plan. The Board was reminded of the plans presented of the Rehm Master Plan at the November Regular Board Meeting. The Board discussed the timing, monies in budget for the project, and the restroom that could possibly be done prior to the project. There were no questions by the Board. **The motion passed by a voice vote 5:0.**

C. Administration and Finance Committee

1. **Network Switches***

Commissioner Wick moved and Commissioner Lentz seconded that the Park Board of Commissioners approve a contract with CDW-G of Chicago, Illinois, in an amount not to exceed \$56,888. The Board was reminded that the current switches put in place in 2012 are reaching the end of their useful life. Through review of the equipment and services, CDW-G, Chicago, was selected as the vendor for a cost not to exceed \$56,888. The devices would be purchased under the National Joint Power Alliance Technology Solutions contract which fulfills the District's bidding requirement. **The motion passed by a voice vote 5:0.**

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Parks Foundation Update**

Laura Thompson, President, Marty Bracco, Vice President, and Pat Baush, Secretary, reviewed the history of the Parks Foundation, discussed where they've come from over the years, their mission statement, their Board and asked our Board's help in identifying new Board members for their Board, their logo, art in the community, putting a face to the foundation, fundraising for the Gymnastics art piece, and the future of the Foundation. The Board discussed their fundraising, involvement in 1000 Lake, outreach to partners, their year-end campaign, and not limiting themselves. **No action is needed on this item by the Board.**

2. **Gymnastics**

The Board was informed of the great difficulty in filling the coaching positions needed at the GRC with the continuing increase of classes and students. With the competitiveness of the field, they have been unable to fill their part-time coaching positions as the candidates continue to take full-time positions at other facilities. Therefore, approval for a full-time coaching position was being requested so that the programs would run successfully. The Board gave their approval to hire a full-time competitive gymnastics coach. **No action is needed on this item by the Board.**

3. **IGOV Candidate Forum**

Paul Aeschleman attended the IGOV meeting where a candidate forum was requested for the upcoming election for all candidates of the Village of Oak Park to attend and have an orientation not only on the entity they are a candidate for but of all the entities and their partnerships. The Board agreed it was a good idea and locations and dates were discussed. **No action is needed on this item by the Board.**

VIII. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

- **Commissioner Guarino** – Just wanted to ask our Board to be engaged as possible in the pool project at the High School and for us to help in their process. All agreed it would be good to be engaged in dialogue.
- **Commissioner Lentz** – Festival Theatre had a wonderful event – The 9th Annual Mid-Winters Tales which was covered well in the Wednesday Journal.
- **Commissioner Porreca** – Also attended the Calvacade of Pride Awards ceremony and enjoyed it.
- **Commissioner Wick** – Has heard a ton of great feedback on our programming and found it very uplifting to hear the positive remarks.
- **Commissioner Aeschleman** – attended the Calvacade of Pride Awards for their two awards and stated it was a nice ceremony.

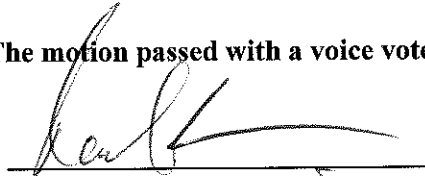
IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

X. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:16pm the Regular Board meeting was adjourned. **The motion passed with a voice vote.**


Secretary
Board of Park Commissioners

January 26, 2017
Date


President
Board of Park Commissioners

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