

**LAKE BLUFF PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 24, 2009**

The Special Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Lake Bluff Park District, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the Recreation Center, 355 W. Washington Avenue, Lake Bluff, Illinois.

Present: Commissioners: Douglass, Ehrhard, McKendry, Nickels, Hart, Meierhoff, President Gronau

Visitors: Dave Peterson (Director of Business and Facility Services), Mary Quilty (Superintendent of Recreation Services), Linda Blaser (Pioneer Press), Pam Russell, Dave McElvain, Conrad Zion, Bart Basola, Jack Sheppard, Kathy Sheppard, Tim Kregor, Amy Halstead, Carolyn Bielski, Drew Irvin, Pat Falligant, Dietmar Wageuknecht, Ron Vine (Leisure Vision), Barbara Hellar (Pro's Consulting)

1. CALL TO ORDER:

President Gronau called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

The following Commissioners were present when the roll was called:

Commissioners Douglass, Ehrhard, McKendry, Nickels, Hart, Meierhoff, President Gronau

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Meierhoff and seconded by Commissioner Douglas to approve the agenda of August 24, 2009. By unanimous voice vote, the agenda was approved as presented.

Ayes: Commissioners Douglass, Ehrhard, McKendry, Nickels, Hart, Meierhoff,
President Gronau

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

4. STATEMENT OF VISITORS:

None

5. CONTINUING BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS

A. Future Planning Committee

Community wide survey results were presented by Ron Vine (Leisure Vision). Board members were given detailed results and the community was able to ask questions during and after the presentation. Sections of the survey results and the presentation video will be posted on the Park District website for the community to view. The

parcs and recreations facility that the highest percentage of households have a need for is the beach. The beach was rated as the most important facility and a high percentage of households indicated their willingness to use Park District tax dollars to improve the existing beach. Residents in attendance were concerned with the following: the accuracy of the survey and the correlation to neighborhoods who responded, parking if the beach were to be improved, and the upkeep of a bluff beautification project undertaken at the beach several years ago by the Lake Bluff Garden Club and the Park District.

Director Salski asked Mr. Vine's recommendation on how to proceed with these results. Mr. Vine indicated prioritizing what the Park District can accomplish in the next year, the next 5 years and into the future. Director Salski stated that the survey results are all taken into consideration for the comprehensive master plan of the Park District.

6. VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

A. Staff

None

B. Executive Director Report

Director Salski reported that the Committee of the Whole meets on September 14. Pat Falligant of the Lake Bluff Garden Club and Cliff Miller would like to present a plan to continue the beautification of the bluff. A Regular Board meeting is scheduled for September 21 and the swimming pool audit will be presented. Commissioner Douglas asked if there was any update on the North Shore Sanitary status. Executive Director Salski indicated there was not at this time.

C. President's Report

None

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Meierhoff and seconded by Commissioner Hart to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Approved this 24 day of August 2009
Board of Commissioners
Lake Bluff Park District