

**LAKE BLUFF PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
JUNE 28, 2010**

The Regular 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.

Visitors: Ron Salski (Executive Director), Dave Peterson (Director of Facilities and Recreation Services), Rob Foster (Director of Golf & Park Maintenance), Linda Blaser, Dutch Wood, Paula Doyle, Carolyn Bielski, Maria Ferretti, Dale Lomax, Darin Scott, Michael Lawrence, Lauren Kuetemeyer

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: Considine, Douglass, Ehrhard, Hart, McKendry, Nickels, Gronau

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Ehrhard and seconded by Commissioner McKendry to approve the agenda of June 28, 2010 as presented.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Considine, Douglass, Hart, McKendry, Nickels, President Gronau

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

4. STATEMENT OF VISITORS:

None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 8, 2010 SPECIAL COW-SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A motion was made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner Considine to approve the June 8, 2010 minutes with the following change: Commissioner Ehrhard left at 6:35p.m.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Considine, Douglass, Ehrhard, Hart, McKendry, Nickels, President Gronau

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 8, 2010 SPECIAL COW-VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

A motion was made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner Considine to approve the June 8, 2010 minutes as presented.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Considine, Douglass, Ehrhard, Hart, McKendry, Nickels, President Gronau

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7. OLD BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS

A. Blair Park Swimming Pool – Discussion

President Gronau posed the following questions for discussion:

Q: Do we want a pool?

The Commissioner consensus was “Yes”. The biggest concern is the tax burden to the community.

Q: What type of pool / amenities do we want to see?

The Commissioner consensus is to be fiscally responsible and build a pool the Park District and Community can afford. Need versus want and bather load ratio was a concern. Are the amenities on the want list more than most residents wish to have? Is the 900 bather load too large for the community?

Q: Funding – what are your thoughts on when to present a referendum to the community?

The Commissioners have no interest in closing the pool; however the pool will close itself without proper maintenance/repairs. Keeping in mind pools are typically break even entities, the Park District will still need to afford the daily operations even if the pool is funded. Consensus was to take some time to evaluate all other Park District assets, work on possible pool partnerships, and continue to evaluate the unstable economic conditions. If a referendum is needed; Commissioners expressed a desire to ask for the proper dollars to maintain all of the Park District assets.

8. NEW BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS

A. Blair Park Swimming Pool – Future Meetings

July 12: Committee of the Whole at 6:00 p.m.

July 19: Regular Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

B. Sunrise Beach & Park Bluff Improvement Plan

In 2009, the board approved a bluff improvement plan at Sunrise Beach and Park based on a design by Cliff Miller.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner Nickels to approve the revised Sunrise Beach & Park Bluff improvement plan.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Considine, Douglass, Ehrhard, Hart, McKendry, Nickels, President Gronau

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

C. Recreation Center HVAC Repairs

Two of the 16 Recreation Center rooftop air conditioning units are currently inoperable due to faulty compressors. Dollars budgeted for repairs in 2010 is \$18,000; currently the budget line item is at \$19,325 due to earlier plumbing repairs. Staff will continue to evaluate its preventive maintenance program in efforts to keep repair costs down. Staff recommends accepting the proposal from Cahill Heating, Air Conditioning & Electric Service, Inc in the amount of \$4,844.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ehrhard and seconded by Commissioner Douglass to accept the proposal from Cahill Heating, Air Conditioning & Electric Service not to exceed \$4,844.00

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Considine, Douglass, Ehrhard, Hart, McKendry, Nickels, President Gronau

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

9. VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

A. Staff

Director Dave Peterson mentioned the Open House is rescheduled for Wednesday July 14 from 3:30 – 7:00 p.m.

B. Executive Director

Executive Director Salski mentioned the following:

- Video tape of his interview with Ron Donald (past Board member) will be given to all Commissioners. Mr. Donald is 85 years old and was able to provide some details of the Blair Park pool history.
- Village Block Party on Friday July 2: Park District is responsible for games for kids and adults.
- July 4th parade: Park District will have a float in the parade.
- Foundation event: August 21 6:30-10:00 p.m.
- Golf: June was a successful month – golf budget was met.

C. Park Foundation (FLBPDF)

Commissioner Ehrhard mentioned that plans for the August 21 event are well under way. Tickets are \$25 per person and the event runs from 6:30 – 10:00 p.m.

D. Administration and Finance Committee

None

E. Future Planning Committee

Commissioner Nickels asks for all to review the July minutes and submit any corrections or changes to Barbara Heller.

F. Golf Committee

None

G. Paddle Committee

Task Force meeting is scheduled for July 11.

H. Parks, Recreation Programs & Facilities Committee

A meeting will be scheduled for mid July.

I. Tri-Advisory & Intergovernmental Committee

Fort Sheridan option boards (similar to those for the pool) will be placed around the county for resident feedback.

J. President's Report

None

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Ehrhard and seconded by Commissioner Considine to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Approved this 19 day of July 2010

Board of Commissioners

Lake Bluff Park District