

**LAKE BLUFF PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 4, 2013**

The Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Lake Bluff Park District, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the Shields Township Office, 906 Muir Avenue, Lake Bluff, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Considine.

The following Commissioners were present when the roll was called: R. Douglass, S. Ehrhard, B. Gordon, K. Gronau, K. McKendry, R. Wallace, and President K. Considine.

Staff members present were Ron Salski, Executive Director; Jim Lakeman, Superintendent of Recreation, Safety, and Outreach Services; Ed Heiser, Superintendent of Facility Services & Head Golf Professional (arrived at 7:26 p.m.); and Rob Foster, Superintendent of Golf & Parks Maintenance.

Also present were residents Carol Russ and Bill Nordeen.

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Ehrhard moved, seconded by Commissioner Douglass, to approve the November 4, 2013 Agenda as submitted.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYE: R. Douglass, S. Ehrhard, B. Gordon, K. Gronau, K. McKendry, R. Wallace, K. Considine

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Statement of Visitors - None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

10 Year Capital Plan

Executive Director Salski stated that he talked with two consultants regarding the cost of construction of the wading pool, and clarified that the actual cost would be between \$450,000 and \$500,000. This is approximately \$250,000 less than what was originally presented.

Regular Board Meeting of November 4, 2013

President Considine gave a brief recap of previous discussions regarding the 10 Year Capital Plan. He hoped the Board would come to a clear direction tonight and chose one of the three options so staff could move forward with the 2014 Budget. The Agency has a \$5.1 million shortfall, \$145,000 in ADA expenses, and \$1.3 million in existing capital revenue. He reviewed the three options which were discussed in depth at the previous Special Meetings.

After much discussion, Commissioners favored Option 1, which listed a \$3.4 million referendum mainly for aquatic facility repairs and a new wading pool. Tax impact to a homeowner for a \$500,000 home would be \$113.00 per year for 10 years, or \$81.00 per year for 15 years.

There was consensus among Commissioners that they have done their due diligence and reviewed every option available. The \$3.4 million referendum is the minimum needed to maintain the existing facilities and build a sustainable agency for the next ten years.

Commissioners will work with staff on communication strategies for a successful referendum. An itemized list will be put together which breaks down the \$3.4 million. It was agreed that Commissioners should reach out to every resident in the district, along with every community group.

Regarding the Budget process, Director Salski said Commissioners should receive their Budget books on November 12, 2013. Commissioners were all in favor of holding a Special Meeting to discuss the Budget on November 18th, immediately following the Regular Board Meeting on that date. The Budget would then be placed on a December 2, 2013 Special Meeting agenda for approval.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion was made by Commissioner Gordon, seconded by Commissioner Wallace, to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Considine, President

Ron Salski, Secretary

Marcia Jendreas, Recording Secretary

Approved this 18th day of November 2013
Board of Commissioners
Lake Bluff Park District