

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC REGULAR MEETING
PLEASANT DALE PARK DISTRICT
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.
RECREATION CENTER
7425 SOUTH WOLF ROAD, BURR RIDGE, ILLINOIS

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Call to Order/Roll Call: Present: Commissioners: Kevin Burke, Mark Radulski, Wade Brewer and Ernie Moon. Also present: Executive Director Matt Russian. Attorney Michael Cainkar. Absent: Amy Podczerwinski.

3. Consent Agenda items a, b & c Monthly Business (Items a, b & c on the consent agenda will be approved with one motion; Board Members with questions should call Matt prior to the meeting).

- a. Minutes of February 18, 2014 Regular Meeting
- b. Minutes of February 18, 2014 Executive Session
- c. Financial Statements presented to the Board of Park Commissioners for February, 2014.

MOTION

Mr. Radulskik made a motion to pass items a, b & c. Seconded by Mr. Brewer. All Ayes. Motion passed.

4. Old Business

- Chalet Update

Mr. Cainkar reported to the Board that there was a court hearing regarding another contract offer for the Chalet. The Judge approved the first contract from Doctor Wakim. The other interested party has 30 days to file an appeal.

Mr. Russian reported that the monies from the sale of the Chalet have been deposited into an interest bearing account. There were two checks, \$757,429.50 and \$25,000 earnest money.

The Board complimented Mr. Cainkar's assistance in the sale of the Chalet.

- 4th of July Celebration

Mr. Burke reported some monies that have been received by co-sponsors. Capri Restaurant is providing the food. The fee for the golf outing is \$60 per person which includes golf, food, and open bar.

Mr. Russian stated that the policy has been signed regarding the Harley motorcycle.

- IGA with Countryside-FCGC

Mr. Russian reported that last Friday, he and Maria met with Countryside and some of the Sikich people. There was discussion regarding new policy and the procedure manual. Countryside would like the Park District to continue to be responsible for payroll.

There was discussion regarding terms of the IGA as to who is in charge of hiring and firing the director and insurance policies.

Mr. Radulski asked Mr. Cainkar to revise the agreement stating that the Golf Course Board will be responsible for hiring and firing the director of the golf course.

The staff should receive an equivalent benefit package similar to what they presently have.

There was discussion regarding who will maintain payroll and information for time slips.

Countryside will need to track and approve the time, and the Park District will record data into the system.

The City of Countryside will be in charge and oversee Billy in an administrative role.

Mr. Russian indicated that the person in charge will probably be Sharon Peterson. The Board would hire full time people, and Billy would hire part-time people.

There was further discussion regarding some problems with the exchange of duties every 7 years, and a suggestion by Sikich who recommended outsourcing food and beverage, so Flagg Creek employees would not need to take care of the bar.

5. Resolution to abolish the Chalet Fund as of May 1, 2014 (Exact date is April 30, 2014).

A packet was provided to the Board for review by Mr. Cainkar.

MOTION

Mr. Brewer made a motion to adopt the Resolution to Abolish the Chalet Fund. Seconded by Mr. Moon. All Ayes. Motion passed.

6. Two Memorandum of Agreements – Park District Houses

Packets were provided to the Board. One house is for Rich and one is for Billy.

Both pay rent plus utilities. There was discussion regarding utility bills and how they are paid.

MOTION

Mr. Moon made a motion to accept the Memorandum of Agreement for the house for Rich. Seconded by Mr. Brewer. All Ayes. Motion passed.

MOTION

Mr. Brewer made a motion to accept the Memorandum of Agreement for the house for Billy. Seconded by Mr. Radulski. All Ayes. Motion passed.

7. New Business

- Preliminary Review of Fiscal Year 2015 Budget

Mr. Russian reported that the Golf Course Budget was preliminarily approved last month at the Golf Course meeting. The Park District Board and Countryside will need to review and approve it.

Copies were provided to the Board. The Board will review the budget and approve it at next month's meeting.

- Maintenance purchases – mower and groomer

Mr. Russian provided quotes for a mower and groomer. The mower is a John Deere 997, which is approximately \$15,000. The groomer is \$12,600. There is \$20,000 in a line item for maintenance equipment in the 2014 budget. Since the amount is approximately \$7,600 over the budget, there was a request to go over the budget amount for the two pieces of equipment.

There was discussion regarding the two pieces of equipment, the old equipment, request for any new equipment, and appropriations.

MOTION

Mr. Moon made a motion to approve the purchase of maintenance equipment. Seconded by Mr. Brewer, All Ayes. Motion passed.

8. Open Forum

Mr. Neil Sexton, who is a recreational bee-keeper, appeared and requested the Board to consider utilizing some of the land on the Hess property area as a Community Apiary. Presently there is one in the Hanover Park area, which is a joint venture between the Cook County/DuPage County Bee Keeper’s Association. There would be very little cost to the Park District, possibly just some fencing. The Cook County Farm Bureau teaches classes on bee keeping. He suggested that this could be a joint venture to offer classes from the Park District. There was discussion regarding handling of the bees, splitting bee hives, moving the hives, and general information regarding the Apiary.

The Board discussed the possibility of also using the property for gardening plots.

9. Staff Reports

There was discussion regarding Taylor Martin who was recently hired.

10. Additional Items

BYN Melon regarding bonds. Fee schedule on bonds was \$350 which has been raised to \$750.

There was discussion regarding continuing to issue bonds.

Mr. Cainkar stated that park districts issue bonds, because their tax rate is fairly low, and it’s needed for capital improvements.

Mr. Russian reported that Chrissy is back from her leave from the Golf Course.

11. Executive Session – Nothing Heard

12 Hiring and firing of personnel – Nothing Heard

Adjournment

MOTION

Mr. Brewer made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Moon. All Ayes. Motion passed.

(Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.)

Reported by Carmella Traverso