

MINUTES of the Regular Board Meeting of the Northbrook Park District Board of Commissioners held Wednesday, July 25, 2007 in the Leisure Center Building located at 3323 Walters Avenue, Northbrook, Illinois.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-President Cloh called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

On a roll call by the Secretary, the following members were in attendance:

Commissioners Present: Vice-President Cloh; Mses. Chambers, Randel; Messrs. Simon, Taksin, Ziering

Commissioners Absent: President Hall

Officers Present: Secretary Harvey, Assistant Secretary Jones, Treasurer Eppelheimer

Staff Present: Directors Fischer, Yoder

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

In attendance was Michael Schyman, 3338 Lake Knoll Drive and Susan Harrison, 3026 Margo Lane.

Vice-President Cloh recognized Mr. Schyman who replied he did not wish to address the Board.

Vice-President Cloh then called upon Ms. Harrison. Ms. Harrison stated she understands there are lots for sale on Highland Road and is here, on behalf of several residents in the area, to ask the Park District to consider one of these lots for a playground or tot lot. There is no park in the area within walking distance and a playground is needed. There are four busy streets in the neighborhood and crossing these intersections with small children is dangerous. She noted the number of children in the area is increasing and feels it is important for young families to be close to a park. A park would also bring value to the neighborhood.

Commissioner Simon inquired in her opinion how many families with children were in the area. She reported there are a few empty nesters but big lots are being purchased and more families with children are moving into the neighborhood.

She has spoken to a several neighbors and has received positive responses for a park. The children in the area range up to approximately eight years of age. She reported she drives to West Park with her three children. Driving to Village Green Park is too far.

Vice-President Cloh thanked Ms. Harrison for her comments.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice-President Cloh called for any changes or deletions to the Agenda. Hearing none, Commissioner Randel moved to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Chambers and unanimously approved on a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Committee-Of-The-Whole Meeting of May 23, 2007; Committee-Of-The-Whole Meeting of June 25, 2007 and Regular Board Meeting of June 27, 2007 were previously distributed and reviewed. Vice-President Cloh called for any changes or deletions to the Minutes. Hearing none, Commissioner Taksin moved to approve the Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simon and unanimously approved on a voice vote.

PRESIDENTS REPORT—None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EDC—Commissioner Simon reported he attended the July EDC Meeting and discussion centered around the Village Comprehensive Plan and the many school districts in Northbrook.

ACTION ITEMS

8a. Approval of June 2007 Vouchers—Commissioner Taksin moved to approve the June 2007 Vouchers in the amount of \$617,916.27 along with the wire transfers in the amount of \$488,612.85 for a Grand Total of \$1,160,529.12. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simon and unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

8b. Adoption of Ordinance 07-O-6, An Ordinance Authorizing and Directing the Disposal of Certain Used Personal Property of the Northbrook Park District—Commissioner Randel moved to adopt Ordinance 07-O-6, An Ordinance Authorizing and Directing the Disposal of Certain Used Personal Property (Crew Cab Pickup and Utility Body Truck) of the Northbrook Park District. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Chambers and unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

8c. Approval of Executive Director Search Agreement—The PAR Group—Commissioner Chambers moved to approve the Executive Director Search Agreement with The PAR Group of Lake Bluff, Illinois. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Randel and unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

8d. Approval of Commissioner Travel Request—IAPD/IPRA Legislative Awareness Golf Outing—Commissioner Taksin moved to approve a travel expense request from Commissioner Simon to attend the IAPD/IPRA Legislative Golf Outing in Bensenville, Illinois on July 26, 2007 as a representative of the Northbrook Park District with anticipated expenses of \$150. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Randel and unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

Commissioner Randel thanked Commissioner Simon for attending and representing the Northbrook Park District. Commissioner Simon inquired of why expenses for this Outing needed approval. Staff responded it is Board Policy for all expenses incurred as a representative of the Northbrook Park District are to be approved by the Board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director—None.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Chambers:

- 1) Attended and participated in the Fourth of July Parade and Celebration. She thanked staff for receiving Awards for their float entries.
- 2) Referenced former Commissioner Dahl's comments in the Letters to the Editor section of the Northbrook Star in which Bob Jaeger is blaming the Park District for the change in location of the fireworks causing residents not to be able to view the fireworks.
- 3) Reported she has received many comments on how wonderful the ballfields and soccer fields looked, and as well the scheduling of the fields. She commended Manager Korzyniewski for a great job.

Commissioner Randel:

- 1) Attended the NRPA Great Lakes Regional Conference in Springfield, Illinois. She remarked the accommodations were at the Crown Plaza this year and the hotel far exceeds the Springfield Hilton. She thanked the Board for allowing her to attend the Conference.

Commissioner Simon:

- 1) Attended and participated in the Fourth of July Parade; attended many baseball games and attended Park Fest last evening.

Commissioner Taksin:

- 1) Commented on the Fourth of July fireworks remarks. Bob Jaeger and Jim Hughes knew beforehand that the fireworks needed to be moved from Meadowhill Park and felt it was not right to put blame on the Park District. We do a lot for the Village and does not want our staff to feel any negativity from these remarks. He is not happy with these comments. He asked for a copy of the response by former Commission Dahl.

Commissioner Ziering:

1. Reported on a golf meeting with Assistant Executive Director Eppelheimer and NSSRA Executive Director John McGovern. As he is the NSSRA liaison for the Park District, he was looking to learn what is expected of him in this role. He wants to perform well and be able contribute and give guidance when needed. He understands Mr. McGovern gives informational presentations and that he will be attending one of these in the future.

OLD BUSINESS—None.

NEW BUSINESS—None.

NEXT MEETING

Vice-President Cloh announced the next meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be the Regular Board Meeting of Wednesday, August 22, 2007, 7 p.m., Leisure Center Building, 3323 Walters Avenue, Northbrook, Illinois.

Executive Director Harvey informed the Board of the need to schedule two meetings in September to review and approve the Executive Director Search Job Announcement and Job Profile that will be submitted by The Par Group. A brief discussion was held and the Board tentatively scheduled Wednesday, September 5 at 6 p.m. to approve the Job Announcement and Monday, September 24 at 6 p.m. to approve the Job Profile subject to President's Hall's availability for these dates. Executive Director Harvey stated he will confirm with the Board the first part of next week.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Simon moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Taksin and unanimously approve on voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
NORTHBROOK PARK DISTRICT

/s/ Edward W. Harvey
Edward W. Harvey, Secretary
Board of Commissioners

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