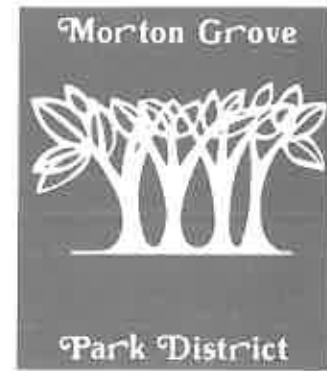


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MORTON GROVE PARK DISTRICT
Prairie View Community Center
6834 Dempster, Morton Grove, IL 60053
Committee of the Whole
January 12, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
(Rescheduled from January 7, 2015)

Commissioner Fergus called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Betty Fergus, Rusmir Zec, Eileen Coursey and Dan Ashta
Commissioner Dominick Burdi arrived at approximately 6:22 p.m.

Staff Present: Tracey Anderson, Executive Director, Marty O'Brien, Finance Manager, Laura Kee, Human Resources Manager, LeeAnn Fisk, Superintendent of Recreation, Greg Jayne, Superintendent of Parks, and Claudia Marren, Administrative Assistant

Attorney Present: Jim Rock, Ancel Glink & Associates

Guests Present: Eric Poders, The Morton Grove Voice/resident

Administration and Finance Committee: Commissioner Zec, Chair

Auditor Contract: Finance Manager, Marty O'Brien noted he sent out a Request for Proposals for auditors for the Park District. Three audit firms responded. The Board asked to set-up an interview with the three audit firms the Executive Director, Finance Manager, and the Board of Park Commissioners.

Goals & Objectives Discussion: A discussion took place regarding the goals and objectives summary. Executive Director Anderson asked the Commissioners if they wanted to add any objectives. The Commissioners stated that many times issues are talked about however, never really resolved. Also ideas are brought up that never come to fruition. Several important topics the Commissioners would like addressed are the future of Harrer Park and pool, the condition of the field houses, and a possibility of a dog park. The Commissioners made it clear that they would appreciate follow-up reports once the objectives were decided upon.

Recreation and Facility Program Committee: Commissioner Coursey, Chair

Rental Fee Review: Superintendent Fisk conducted a survey of near-by park districts and realized that the Morton Grove Park District has room to increase the price they charge for rentals. The plan is to make some changes; including adding attendants, amenities and changing the hours to allow for more rentals on the weekend. Although the Commissioners agreed to the new rental prices they stated that a plan should be in place to determine that this was the direction the Park District wanted to take and to

address the aging field houses; i.e. lack of air conditioning, as reflected in the 2 year old comprehensive master plan.

Additional Multi-Purpose Fields: Superintendent Fisk explained that there is a great demand for multi-purpose fields and soccer fields within the Morton Grove Community. The staff would like to design new multi-purpose fields at National Park to not only accommodate the demand but to also bring in more revenue. Superintendent Jayne estimated the cost to be approximately \$7,000. The Commissioners agreed it would be a good idea.

Parks and Facilities Maintenance Committee: Commissioner Fergus, Chair

Tree Removal: Superintendent Jayne explained the emerald ash disease has damaged many trees within the Park District. Five requests for quotes were sent out with three responses. Superintendent Jayne recommended Bartlett Tree Experts to remove 22 trees for a price of \$14,048, which is under the \$30,000 budgeted for this project.

Utility Cart Replacement: Superintendent Jayne explained the current utility cart needs repair and is eleven years old. He received a price from the sole dealership, Randall Industries, for \$8,447.00. Superintendent Jayne recommends the Park District purchase a new Polaris utility cart from Randall Industries. The Commissioners agreed to move forward with the purchase of the cart.

Executive Session:

At 7:07 p.m.

Commissioner Zec made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ashta to go into Executive Session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act section 2(c)11 to discuss probable or imminent litigation and in accordance with the Open Meetings Act section 120/2.(c)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. **Ayes: Commissioner Fergus, Coursey, Zec, Ashta and Burdi. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

The Committee Meeting reconvened at approximately: 8:10 p.m.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fergus to adjourn the meeting. **Ayes: Commissioners Fergus, Zec, Coursey, Ashta and Burdi. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Meeting ended at approximately 8:11 p.m.



Dominick Burdi, President



Secretary