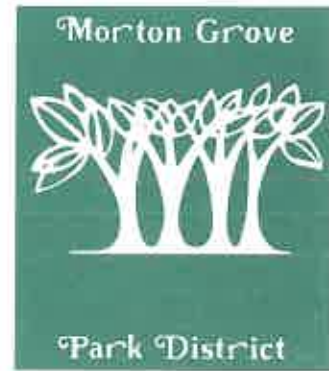


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MORTON GROVE PARK DISTRICT
Prairie View Community Center
6834 Dempster, Morton Grove, IL 60053
Minutes of the Committee of the Whole
Held on July 1, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Commissioners Present: Dominick Burdi, Eileen Coursey, Mark Manno, Dan Ashta, and Dan Staackmann

Staff Present: Marty O'Brien, Interim Executive Director; Greg Jayne, Superintendent of Parks and Facilities; Mike Hayes, Superintendent of Recreation; Sue Braubach, Wellness & Fitness Manager; and Claudia Marren, Executive Administrative Assistant

Guests Present: Eric Poders; The Morton Grove Voice/resident, Jason Myers, Michael Joyce; The Pioneer Press and John Thill; resident/volunteer.

Public Comment: Mr. Thill explained that the Prairie View Park along with the Prairie Nature Preserve was given to the Park District with the understanding that the prairie would be preserved in perpetuity. He is concerned because one volunteer who cares for the prairie is 94 years old and he is not sure if the other volunteer, Mary Busch who has been a steward of the prairie for many years is still volunteering. He asked that the Park District help maintain the Preserve. Superintendent Jayne asked what the \$900 we provide was used for. Commissioner Ashta said he would volunteer. It was agreed the Park District would address Mr. Thill's concerns. Mr. Thill also asked that the Park District address the dog park, he understood that the Park District put this item on hold until August and wanted to make sure the public knew it would in-deed be addressed because it was the number 1 issue on voters' minds. Mr. Poders thanked the Park District for putting the agenda packet on line.

Administration and Finance Committee

Ratify the Purchase of the Dodge Van: Interim Director O'Brien wanted to set the record straight on the purchase of the Dodge Van. O'Brien explained that although the actual motion was for a Ford, that vehicle was not available. After conferring with President Burdi it was decided to purchase the Dodge van because it was available immediately and much needed for the upcoming busy summer season. The Commissioners agreed.

Bond Record Keeping Policy – Resolution #R-03-15: Interim Director O'Brien explained that the Park District is responsible for documenting and maintaining all records associated with

Bond Ordinance #O-03-13; the Oriole Pool Bond. The Resolution #R-03-15 is to ensure that the Park District is in compliance and all local and state finance and tax requirements are met.

Board of Commissioners Meetings: A discussion was held and it was agreed that the Board meeting agenda will continue to be posted at the Prairie View Community Center, 48 hours prior to all meetings. In addition, the agenda and packet will now be posted on the Park District website and sent to the local press.

Citizens Comments: The Board discussed guidelines for “citizens comments” during all Board meetings. Commissioner Ashta was hesitant to impose a time limit because he wants to ensure consistency and fairness for all public comments. Commissioner Ashta was also unsure whether the Board President has the authority to grant citizens permission to speak. Through the discussion, it was decided that the Presidents role as Chair is as a general practice used to maintain efficient and effective meetings. The Board agreed to adopt the slightly altered new guidelines.

Consent Agenda: It was agreed to approve the use of a “consent agenda” vs. “action items” on the Board Meeting agenda. In the future, if there is an issue with an item on the consent agenda it can simply be pulled out to be voted on separately.

Meeting Start Times: It was agreed that as of September 2015 all future Committee and Board Meetings would start at 6:30 p.m. and the staff will publish a new calendar.

Recreation and Facility Program Committee – Commissioner Coursey, Chair

Child Care Room/Unused Office Space: Several ideas were discussed regarding the use of the Child Care room and unused office space at PVCC. One of the ideas was to move all the preschool classes to PVCC. It was decided to table this issue until a new Executive Director is hired and a formal study of the building is conducted.

Parks and Facilities Maintenance Committee – Commissioner Manno, Chair

Prairie View Community Center HVAC Analysis: A discussion took place on the recent engineering analysis of the HVAC system at PVCC. Commissioner Staackmann said he would be more comfortable making an expenditure such as this (\$428,000) with a new director in place and to see what happens in Springfield. Commissioner Manno would like to discuss this topic more before making a decision and suggested doing the work in phases. His understanding is that although some of the systems are antiquated and difficult to service much of the equipment is newer. It was agreed to table this issue until the new director came on board.

PVCC Sidewalks and Walking Path ADA Transition Plan Discussion: Commissioner Staackmann stated that because it is a government building we have to make the ADA updates however, we should ask Maine Niles to contribute because they use our facilities. It was agreed that Interim Director O’Brien would put the numbers together and Commissioner Staackmann would discuss

the ADA costs with MNASR. Commissioner Ashta asked about the use of asphalt vs. concrete. Superintendent Jayne explained that existing asphalt would be replaced with asphalt and existing concrete would be replaced with concrete and that it was cost prohibitive to use concrete in all places.

Additional Parking Lot at Oriole Pool: For over a year the Park District has been negotiating with Com-Ed for an easement to be used for additional parking at Oriole Pool/Park. The area is slightly less than 5 acres (which means less of a retention area), the agreement includes an extended walk path, survey, asphalt, drainage and curbing. The cost is approximately \$113,000. O'Brien will provide the contract and cost of the lease to the Commissioners.

At this point Commissioner Burdi commented on how nice the lower level carpet looks and asked if it could be extended to the men's and women's locker room.

Commissioner Staackmann asked his colleagues to review their schedules and keep time free meet to discuss the Executive Director search. Also, as being part of the Grand Marshalls for the Fourth of July Parade the Morton Grove Days Commission asked him to say a few words at the opening ceremonies.

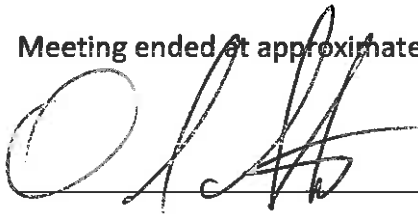
Interim Director O'Brien reminded everyone that the parade starts at 2:30. Arrangements were made to pick everyone up.

Commissioner Ashta thanked Mr. Thill for his comments and reiterated that he was willing to help with the Morton Grove Prairie Nature Preserve. He also thanked Mr. Thill for keeping the dog park issue warm and asked Interim Director O'Brien to keep any dog park information readily available. Commissioner Staackmann then thanked the reporter for attending our meetings.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Manno made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ashta to adjourn the Committee of the Whole. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting ended at approximately 7:15 p.m.



Daniel J. Staackmann, President



Martin O'Brien, Board Secretary