

Morton Grove Park District

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Prairie View Community Center
6834 Dempster, Morton Grove, IL 60053
Minutes of the Committee of the Whole
Held on August 5, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Commissioners Present: Eileen Coursey, Mark Manno, Dominick Burdi, 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; and Claudia Marren, Executive Administrative Assistant

Guests Present: Terry Porter, GovHR USA; Eric Poders, The Morton Grove Voice/resident; Michael Joyce, The Pioneer Press and Jeff Wait

Public Comment: Mr. Poders thought it was a smart idea to partner with the forest preserve rather than trying to find land within the village to build a dog park.

Administration and Finance Committee – Commissioner Ashta, Chair

Dog Park Discussion: Interim Director O'Brien explained the main purpose of this discussion is to get consensus from the Board to move forward with a feasibility study for a dog park. Commissioner Burdi suggested partnering with the village, another park district or the forest preserve district. Commissioner Coursey reminded everyone that a study was done several years ago and it was very expensive and therefore rejected also she didn't think there was room enough within the park district. Commissioners Staackmann and Ashta said they have been approached by many residents requesting a dog park. Commissioner Ashta also suggested sponsorships and thought it was important to provide open spaces for our residents. The Commissioners agreed there are many aspects to research and agreed to authorize a dog park study.

Goals & Objectives 2015-1016: Interim Director O'Brien explained that it is important to have goals and objectives for guidance in running our programs and facilities. The Commissioners agreed on the goals and objectives; however, advised the staff there may be changes when a new Executive Director starts.

Recreation and Facility Program Committee – Commissioner Coursey, Chair

Club Fitness Hours of Operation: Due to the lack of data collected (only 8 days) it was suggested to observe Club Fitness usage for several more weeks. Commissioner Burdi noted there is more concern for extended weekend hours for fall and winter.

Summer Day Camp Operations: Interim Director O'Brien suggested it may be more efficient to consolidate the day camps into one location at PVCC. It would also be safer in extreme weather conditions and less costly for transporting the children. Commissioner Coursey thought it is better to have the different age groups at different parks and thought that parents liked their children closer to their homes. For Activity Guide logistics the deadline for this decision is mid-September. The Commissioners felt more research regarding trends and other opportunities was needed and therefore this item was tabled.

2016 Pool Pass Packages and Prices: Staff explained they would like to consolidate several of the pool pass packages. They would like to offer 4 different packages rather than 7 different packages. Economically, this is a breakeven plan and it would help at the administrative and bookkeeping end of pool pass sales. The Commissioners agreed.

Parks and Facilities Maintenance Committee – Commissioner Manno, Chair

PVCC HVAC: Based upon the information obtained from the HVAC analysis and discussions with HVAC contractors, Commissioner Manno and staff, it was recommend to get more bids other than Trane, Inc. (Honeywell) on the PVCC HVAC system update. The consensus was the park district would have more flexibility on future repairs and/or updates with an independent contractor. The Board also authorized payment to Trane, Inc. in the amount of \$11,800.00 for the engineering study.

Ballfield Fencing Replacement and Painting: Superintendent Jayne recommended Dura Bilt Fence at a cost of \$10,150.00 for the repair of the Harrer Park ballfield fences and New Finish Electrostatic Refinishing for the painting of the fences. Commissioner Manno suggested getting more quotes for the electrostatic painting. It was agreed to go ahead with the repairs but to try and get 2 more quotes for the electrostatic painting. Jayne said he would try to get more quotes before the Board meeting.

At approximately 6:38 p.m. Commissioner Burdi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Coursey to move into executive session 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: Manno, Burdi, Ashta, Coursey and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

Executive Session started at approximately 6:40 p.m.

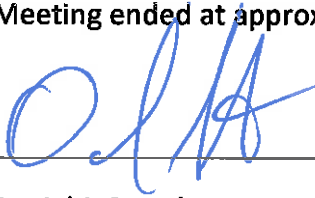
The Committee Meeting reconvened at approximately 7:28 p.m.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

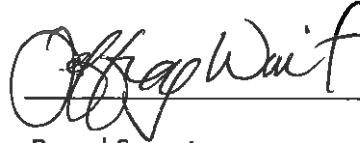
Adjournment:

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

Meeting ended at approximately 7:30 p.m.



Daniel J. Staackmann, President



Board Secretary