

**Bloomington Park District
Board of Commissioners Meeting
May 5, 2014
Johnston Recreation Center**

Call to Order – Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Bloomington Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:05 pm. In attendance were Commissioners Andre Burke, Mike Vogl, Michael Childress and Buzz Puccio. Commissioner Karen Johns previously informed the board that she would be absent. Staff members in attendance were Carrie Fullerton, Sandy Vangundy, June Fergus and Joe Potts.

Recognition of Visitors

There were no visitors in attendance.

New Business

Review and Approve Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Annual Budget

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to approve the budget as presented, effective June 1, 2014 through May 31, 2015. On roll call vote the motion was approved 4-0.

Aye: Burke, Childress, Vogl, Puccio

Nay: None

Absent: Johns

Other Items Before the Board

NRPA Congress October 2014

President Puccio stated that according to our policy, it is Commissioner Johns and Commissioner Puccio's turns to attend NRPA Congress. Commissioner Vogl must attend as part of his IAPD responsibilities. The board is unsure of Commissioner Johns interest in attending, but Commissioner Puccio will attend on behalf of the Bloomington Park District.

IAPD Legislative Conference

Commissioner Vogl recapped the highlights of the recent conference in Springfield. He explained that the DNR received 7-1/2 times the amount of PARC grant applications than money available. The board and staff were reminded that there are annually 9000 pieces of legislation presented in Springfield, so our state legislators rely on us to inform them of issues that are important to our residents.

Miscellaneous Items

State Representative Mussman attended our Battle of the Bands event on Friday night at the JRC. Sandy Vangundy attended the Character Counts! recognition breakfast on Saturday morning. Executive Director Fullerton sent notes of congratulations to our partners who were recognized at the CC! event. Our parks department assisted the

Bloomington Garden Club with their annual plant sale last weekend. Staff is working on updating our investment policy.

Staff suggested submitting an OSLAD grant application for the renovation of Circle Park and playground. Some of the items that would be considered for this site are interpretive areas and signs, making the current roller hockey rink a dual purpose ice rink in the winter, a small skating area, wetland nature area, a nature playground, adult fitness area and a shelter. We have budgeted \$167,600 for this project in FY 14-15, but with a matching OSLAD grant, we would be closer to the \$377,000 total cost for this project. These additional funds will be available in the FY14-15 budget.

Executive Session

Commissioner Vogl moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to not enter into Executive Session at 7:40 pm. On roll call vote the motion was approved 4-0.

Aye: Vogl, Childress, Burke, Puccio
Nay: None
Absent: Johns

Adjournment

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. On voice vote the motion was approved 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie A. Fullerton
Board Secretary