

**Bloomington Park District
Board of Commissioners Meeting
November 17, 2014
Johnston Recreation Center**

Call to Order – Regular Meeting

The Meeting of the Bloomington Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 pm. In attendance were Commissioners Karen Johns, Andre Burke, Mike Vogl and Buzz Puccio. Staff members in attendance were Carrie Fullerton, Josh Hendricks, June Fergus, Andrea Pindak and Joe Potts. Guest in attendance was Sandy Gbur with Western DuPage Special Recreation Association (WDSRA).

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Vogl moved, seconded by Commissioner Burke, to approve the minutes of October 20, 2014 meeting as presented. On voice vote the motion was approved 4-0.

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Vogl, to amend the agenda to address Item 7(c) to view the presentation from Sandy Gbur, Executive Director with WDSRA. On voice vote the motion was approved 4-0.

(Commissioner Childress arrived at 7:03 pm)

WDSRA Presentation

Sandy Gbur, Executive Director with Western DuPage Special Recreation Association presented a power point review of where WDSRA is today. They have 16 full-time employees in their recreation department; currently provide 1200 programs to children and adults with disabilities; have 150 volunteers throughout the year; and manage 118 participants in day school at five sites throughout the nine districts they support. Ms. Gbur explained that 4% of their participants come from the Bloomington Park District and they provide 152 inclusion programs for our residents. In addition, the Bloomington Park District Museum displays the annual Special Recreation Association art show each spring.

Staff Reports

Director Fullerton and Joe Potts met with the new Village Administrator and staff regarding the need to replace our lightning detection system throughout the village of Bloomington. There are currently 11 lightning detection poles in various locations, including our parks. Staff will work with other government officials to see if we can all share the \$60,000 cost to upgrade this system in FY 2015-2016.

The Village of Bloomington is interested in offering a French Market in Old Town Park next summer (April-October) to attract visitors to Bloomington. This is not a revenue-producing initiative, but a public service enterprise. The Village has asked if the Park District would consider providing the site, setup and storage of canopies for vendors, and clean up the park at the end of the event.

New Business

Ordinance 2014-08

The Parks Department has identified 3 pieces of equipment that are no longer of useful value to the district. Therefore, they suggest that we resell these items. They include: 2002 John Deere 6x4 Gator, 1994 Toro 580-D Wide Area Mower, and a Montgomery Ward Cement Mixer.

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to accept Ordinance No. 2014-08, An Ordinance Declaring Certain Park District Personal Property as Surplus and Authorizing the Sale or Disposal. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Johns, Childress, Burke, Vogl, Puccio

Nay: None

Absent: None

Resolution 2014-08

Staff has determined that we will require a public hearing on December 8, 2014, to comply with truth in taxation as we anticipate a 5.78% overall increase in the tax levy from FY2013-14. The total amount estimated to be raised by taxation for the year 2014 is \$3,759,322. The CPI for 2014 has been determined to be 1.5%.

Commissioner Vogl moved, seconded by Commissioner Burke, to accept Resolution No. 2014-08, Resolution Determining Funds Estimated to be Raised by Taxation for the Year 2014. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Vogl, Burke, Johns, Childress, Puccio

Nay: None

Absent: None

2015 Board of Commissioners Meeting Schedule

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to accept the 2015 Bloomingdale Park District board of commissioner's 2015 meeting schedule as presented. On voice vote the motion was approved 5-0.

2014 FY 2015-2016 Budget Schedule

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Johns, to accept the budget schedule for FY 2015-2016 as presented. On voice vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Other Items Before the Board

IMET Investments

Illinois Metropolitan Investment Fund (IMET) has recently been a victim of \$54M in fraud. As a result, staff has done research to determine whether or not we wish to continue using IMET as an investment option. Staff recommends that we decrease our holdings with IMET, currently \$2,028,007 in the IMET Convenience Fund by one-half and invest those funds in various certificates of deposit that would mature at a rate of one per month through the year. The goal is to keep our money liquid and available to the agency. The board concurred with staff recommendation.

PDRMA Health Insurance Renewal

Staff explained that we currently have 18 out of 21 employees using the health insurance benefit. The overall rate increase for 2015 is 9.4%. Costs will increase \$23,642.64 in 2015. The board recommends, if possible, that staff continue their participation at a

contribution rate of 17.50% for the HMO plan and 30% for the PPO plan offered through PDRMA Health.

Other Items

Staff met with representatives from the Village of Bloomingdale to discuss the improvements needed at Springfield Park baseball fields. The Village feels strongly that upgrading the field drainage and hosting baseball and soccer tournaments benefits the entire community through economic development and positive economic impact.

The Holiday Festival of Lights will begin on Friday, November 28th at Old Town Park. The lights will be turned on at 6:30 pm. The Lions Club will be recognized at 6:00 when we unveil the new sign board at the Park District Museum.

The December 1, 2014 board meeting will be cancelled due to the fact that there is no business to present before the board.

Acceptance of Financial Report

Commissioner Childress moved, seconded by Commissioner Burke, to accept the Financial Report dated November 2014. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Approval of Directive to Pay

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Vogl, to approve the Directive to Pay dated November 17, 2014. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Executive Session

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Burke, to not enter into Executive Session. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Adjournment

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 pm. On voice vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie A. Fullerton
Board Secretary