



Oak Brook Park District

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**MINUTES OF
REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAK BROOK PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
August 9, 2010, 2010 - 6:30 p.m.
Meeting Room 2 & 3**

The mission of the Oak Brook Park District is to provide the very best in park and recreational opportunities, facilities and open lands for our community.

1) CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND ROLL CALL

President O'Brien opened the regular meeting of the Oak Brook Park District at 6:34 p.m. in the Family Recreation Center, Rooms 2 and 3. Commissioners Knitter, Carson and Trombetta answered, "present". Commissioner Truedson was absent. Also present were Laure Kosey, Executive Director; Barb Gosselar, Park District Attorney; Cathy Fallon, Director of Recreation & Facilities; Nancy Strathdee, Finance & Human Resources Director, Norm Russell, Director of Parks & Facility Services & Mary Tansey, Corporate Relations.

2) APPROVAL OF August 9, 2010 AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner Trombetta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Knitter to approve the August 9, 2010 agenda

There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.

OPEN FORUM

Elaine Zannis, an Oak Brook resident residing at 147 Briarwood, addressed the board in regard to her support of keeping the tennis courts at the Park District's satellite parks. She said she owns her own real estate company based in Oak Brook and that amenities such as these tennis courts are an asset to the community. She stated that she often takes prospective buyers on tours of Oak Brook including Oak Brook Park District properties. She implored the board to raise revenues if necessary in order to maintain these tennis courts.

George Kouba, an Oak Brook resident residing at 30 Yorkshire Woods addressed the board in regard to his support of keeping the tennis courts at the Park District's satellite parks. He said the tennis courts have value to the residents and when rebuilding the courts located in Chillem Park, employ a quality contractor to insure that drainage problems can be corrected properly. Mr. Kouba also commended Ms. Kosey for all of her efforts and hard work.

Cathy Giangrasso, an Oak Brook resident residing at 33 Steeple Ridge addressed the board in regard to her support of keeping the tennis courts at the Park District's satellite parks. She said as president of the Saddlebrook Homeowners' Association, the parks are the responsibility of the Park District.

She said these courts are not only used by residents of Saddlebrook, but by the general public and also noted that the courts add property value to their homes. Ms. Giangrassse also congratulated Ms. Kosey on her efforts and hard work.

Harry Peters, an Oak Brook resident residing in the Forest Glen subdivision addressed the board with his support of keeping the tennis courts at the Park District's satellite parks. He said he completely agrees with what has been said by the other residents and that he is a bit disappointed that the rebuilding of these courts has not yet been completed and it is already August. He noted that Forest Glen children can easily get to the tennis courts in Forest Glen but they cannot drive to Central Park to use the courts located there.

President O'Brien thanked the residents for their input and closed open forum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Approval of July 12, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion: Commissioner Trombetta made a motion seconded by Commissioner Knitter, to approve the July 12, 2010 regular meeting minutes.

There was no discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Knitter, Carson, Trombetta and President O'Brien
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Truedson

5) APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT ENDING July 31, 2010

Motion: Commissioner Knitter made a motion seconded by Commissioner Trombetta, to approve the financial statement ending July 31, 2010.

There was no discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Knitter, Carson, Trombetta and President O'Brien
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Truedson

6) APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

- a) Approval of Warrant No. 518

Motion: Commissioner Trombetta made a motion seconded by Commissioner Knitter, to approve Warrant 518.

There was no discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Knitter, Carson, Trombetta and President O'Brien
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Truedson

7) COMMUNICATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- a) Board of Commissioners to share communications

Commissioner O'Brien offered the residents in the audience his appreciation for coming tonight to express their thoughts regarding the tennis courts issue.

b) Cowhey Gudmundson Leder - Presentation

Hubert Lofthouse and Jim Alexander, representatives from Cowhey Gudmundson Leder conducted their presentation of their assessment of the current drainage issues at the racquet club and recreation center parking lot and offered their company's proposals to correct the problems.

The board questioned many aspects of the proposed plans and after a lengthy discussion with Mr. Lofthouse and Mr. Alexander, the board concurred to move forward with option A for the recreation center work with possible enhancements (a paved walkway between the paved circle and the recreation center curb nearest the front doors) and to simultaneously complete the racquet club drainage project at a total cost of \$163,000.00. The next steps in the process are to complete final engineering and request bids from contractors. The estimated time before the work can begin is three to four weeks.

8) STAFF RECOGNITION

- a) None

9) REPORTS:

- a) Executive Director
- b) Finance & Human Resources Director
- c) Director of Recreation
- d) Director of Parks & Facility Services
- e) Corporate Relations

The board requested clarification on a few items under Nancy Strathdee's report.

President O'Brien stated that voice IP should be considered when the current telephone contract expires.

There was discussion regarding the barn roof and the most economical approach to its needed repairs.

Lengthy discussion took place regarding the satellite tennis courts and the costs incurred to rebuild them vs. removing them.

Commissioner Knitter requested that board approval for the rebuild vs. removal of the satellite tennis courts and maintain vs. demolish the Dean home be added to next month's meeting agenda.

10) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Ordinance 10-0809: An Ordinance Declaring Surplus Property and Authorizing Conveyance or Sale Thereof

Motion: Commissioner Carson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Trombetta, to Approve ordinance 10-0809 as presented.

There was no discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Knitter, Carson, Trombetta and President O'Brien
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Truedson

b) Membership Categories Discussion

Laure Kosey presented this issue and its materials which can be found in the Park District records.

Ms. Kosey outlined the changes made to the categories since last month's discussion.

Ms. Kosey noted that everyone has the option to retain their current membership.

The board asked various questions regarding the proposed memberships and suggested that the senior age be raised to 60.

Ms. Kosey said she will research what the senior age is in neighboring facilities and will have this issue up for vote at next month's meeting. Consensus of the board was in favor of the proposed memberships.

c) Fleet Replacement Plan

Motion: Commissioner Knitter made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Trombetta to approve the Fleet Replacement Plan as presented.

There was no discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Knitter, Carson, Trombetta and President O'Brien
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Truedson

d) Approval to Purchase Replacement Vehicle

Motion: Commissioner Trombetta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Knitter to approve the purchase of a replacement vehicle (2010 Ford Explorer) for the Park District, for a total cost of \$26,602.75 with all recommended options, from Currie Motors of Frankfort, IL, through the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative.

There was no discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Knitter, Carson, Trombetta and President O'Brien
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Truedson

e) Naming Rights Policy

Motion: Commissioner Carson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Knitter to approve the naming rights policy for the Park district.

There was no discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Knitter, Carson, Trombetta and President O'Brien
Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Truedson
e) Tennis Courts Discussion

After lengthy discussion, President O'Brien directed Ms. Kosey to put each satellite park tennis court rebuild/removal up for vote individually at next month's meeting noting that Chillem Park will take more time to investigate due to the drainage issues at that site.

Commissioner Knitter stated that she would like each of the tennis court motions to include a time limit as to when the work is to be completed.

11) NEW BUSINESS

a) RFP Waste Management

Laure Kosey presented this issue and its materials which can be found in the Park District records.

Ms. Kosey noted that the Park District attorney is currently reviewing the RFP's and board rules will not need to be waived before the board makes a motion for approval on this issue at next month's meeting.

b) RFP For Brochure Printing

Laure Kosey presented this issue and its materials which can be found in the Park District records.

There were no questions on this issue from the board.

c) Forest Glen Homeowners Association's request for a one day liquor permit for August 22, 2010 (Action required at this meeting)

Motion: Commissioner Caron made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Knitter to waive the Board's Rules to approve, at this meeting, a one-day liquor permit for the Forest Glen Homeowners Association for August 22, 2010.

There was no discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Knitter, Carson, Trombetta and President O'Brien

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Truedson

Motion: Commissioner Knitter made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Carson to approve a one-day liquor permit for the Forest Glen Homeowners Association for August 22, 2010.

There was no discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Knitter, Carson, Trombetta and President O'Brien

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Truedson

d) Donation Policy

Ms. Kosey presented this issue and its materials which can be found in the Park District records.

Ms. Kosey said that currently, there is no policy regarding gifting and therefore, a donation policy will be presented for board approval at next month's regular meeting.

Commissioner Knitter asked that the issue of whether to demolish the Dean house be added to next month's agenda.

12) NEXT REGULAR MEETING: September 13, 2010, 6:30 p.m.

13) ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Commissioner Trombetta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Knitter to adjourn at the hour of 8:26 p.m.

There was no discussion and the motion passed by voice vote.