



**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAK BROOK PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
1450 FOREST GATE ROAD, OAK BROOK, IL 60523
January 11, 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 Carson opened the public hearing of the Oak Brook Park District at 6:33pm in the Family Recreation Center, Rooms 2 and 3. Commissioners O'Brien Knitter, Truedson and Trombetta answered, "present". Also present were Nancy Strathdee, Acting- Executive Director; Barb Gosselar, Park District Attorney; Cathy Fallon, Director of Recreation & Facilities; Steve Schmidt, Park Services Director; Juergen Samimy, Racquet Club Manager; Shirell Mollo, Marketing Manager; Joe Nidea, Fitness Club Manager; Colleen Liebelt, Family Recreation Center and Karen Spandikow, Aquatic Center. Bonnie Gibellina, Executive Assistant was also present.

2) APPROVAL OF JANUARY 11, 2010 AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner O'Brien made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Knitter to approve the January 11, 2010 agenda.

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

3) OPEN FORUM

No one addressed the board.

4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) Approval of December 14, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien to approve the December 14, 2009 regular meeting minutes.

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

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

Nays: None

b) Approval of December 30, 2009 Special Meeting Minutes

Motion: Commissioner O'Brien made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Truedson to approve the December 30, 2009 regular meeting minutes.

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

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

5) APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2009

Motion: Commissioner O'Brien made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Trombetta to approve the financial statement ending December 31, 2009.

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

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

6) APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

a) Approval of Warrant No. 511

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Knitter to approve warrant No. 511.

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

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

7) COMMUNICATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

a) Board of Commissioners to share communications ***[Discussion Only]***

Jim Post, Senior Project Manager from Wills Burke Kelsey Associates addressed the board regarding his company's engineering proposal for drainage and parking lot issues in Central Park and asked if the board had any questions.

The board asked various questions regarding the proposal.

Commissioner Trombetta discussed the letter from Jean Walker which he received and which can be found in the Park District records.

The board suggested the idea of having aerobic instructors contracted rather than being Oak Brook Park District employees.

Commissioner Truedson asked Ms. Fallon and her staff to present the board with their recommendations on the idea of contracting the aerobics instructors.

8) STAFF RECOGNITION

a) Steve Schmidt, Director of Park Services, Employee of the Quarter

Mr. Schmidt was honored by the board and given a certificate of merit as well as a gift certificate. A picture was taken.

9) REPORTS:

- a) Executive Director – Acting Director Nancy Strathdee
- b) Finance & Human Resources Director – Nancy Strathdee
- c) Director of Recreation & Facilities – Cathy Fallon
- d) Aquatic Center Manager – Karen Spandikow
- e) Premiere Fitness Club Manager - Joe Nidea
- f) Family Recreation Center Manager – Colleen Liebelt
- g) Marketing & Communications Director - Shirell Mollo
- h) Racquet Club Manager – Juergen Samimy
- i) Park Services Director – Steve Schmidt

President Carson asked each commissioner to forward to her their input regarding the possibility of partnering with the Village of Oak Brook in creating a shared mission statement.

Discussion pertaining to membership retention ensued.

President Carson asked Ms. Liebelt to present all statistical information regarding her department in a grid format such as the one Mr. Nidea uses.

Discussion took place regarding the roofing issue at the racquet club.

The board suggested to Mr. Samimy that he obtain the roofing specifications and to go to bid for the needed repairs.

President Carson asked Mr. Samimy to present his statistical information into a grid format as previously mentioned to Ms. Liebelt in this meeting.

10) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Chicago Wilderness Membership for Dean Nature Sanctuary

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Knitter to approve a Memorandum of Understanding to establish the District's membership for the Dean Property in the Chicago Region Biodiversity Counsel, commonly known as Chicago Wilderness.

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

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

Nays: None

- b) Engineering Proposals for Drainage and Parking Lot issues in Central Park

This item was discussed under open forum.

11) NEW BUSINESS

- a) None

12) ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien to adjourn to executive session at the hour of 7:50pm for the purpose of:

- a) Discussion and Approval of Closed Meeting Minutes, December 14, 2009
- b) Discussion and Approval of Closed Meeting Minutes of the Special Meeting held December 30, 2009
- c) For Review: Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Release of Minutes for Closed Meetings From January 1989 through November 2009
- d) Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the District.

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

Aye: Commissioners O'Brien, Knitter, Truedson, Trombetta and President Carson.
Nay: None.

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14) RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien to reconvene open session at the hour of 8:26pm.

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

15) POTENTIAL ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken on items discussed in executive session.

16) NEXT REGULAR MEETING: February 8, 2010, 6:30 p.m.

17) ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien to adjourn at the hour of 8:26pm.

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