

**GRAYSLAKE COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT  
PARK BOARD MEETING**

August 15, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Vice President Kennedy. Upon roll call the following were:

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Kennedy, Larson, Lashbrook, Powell, Rodas. (Absent: Ryan, Toth). Staff: Splitt, Regnier, VanZant. Board Recording Secretary Shari Raven.

**MOTION:** by Powell that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the August 15, 2018 Park Board Meeting Agenda as presented. Second by Lashbrook. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

**MOTION:** by Larson that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the Consent Agenda to include the Payment of Bills and Payroll from 7/18/18 through 8/15/18 in the amount of \$474,155.75, Approval of the July 18, 2018 Park Board Meeting Minutes and approval of the NRPA Conference and Tyler Conference Travel and Training Expenses. Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

The Chesapeake Landing Pond 2 Shoreline Restoration Project is complete. Strand and Associates has approved and signed off on this pay request. The district is holding 10% of the project total in retainage (\$10,494.70) until the native plants, plugs and new turf areas are well established and growing strongly.

**MOTION:** by Rodas to approve the pay request #1 from Nettle Creek Nursery, Inc. for a total of \$94,452.30 for the Chesapeake Landing Pond 2 Shoreline Restoration Project. Second by Lashbrook. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

The Sunrise Park Courts Project is complete and 3D Design has approved this pay request. The district is holding \$1,000 in retainage until the new turf areas are acceptable. Elanar Construction will be out in early September to overseed and mulch the bare areas.

**MOTION:** by Powell to approve the pay request #2 from Elanar Construction for a total of \$41,769.10 for the Sunrise Park Courts Project. Second by Lashbrook. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

The board reviewed the report of the Executive Director.

Splitt stated long time seasonal employee Barb Butler passed away on August 9<sup>th</sup>. She had worked for the district for the past 18 summers (running the pool for 5 years and then our summer camps for the past 13) and periodically here and there throughout the school year. She was an outstanding employee who was loved by so many of the residents and staff. In lieu of flower donations can be made to "Healthy Kids Action Fund".

The annual SRACLC Golf Outing will be held on Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at Hawthorne Woods Country Club. Shotgun start will be at 12:30pm with a lunch and registration beginning at 11:00am. Board Members should let Splitt know if they will be participating.

Splitt has met with Mike Ellis as well as Bill Heinz regarding a shared maintenance agreement for mowing/plowing of the Gelatin Park, new parking lot and Central Park and Railroad Ave roads from the initial meeting, the agreement would have the Park District mow the grass throughout the Gelatin Park and in exchange the Village would plow the roadways and parking areas. Splitt will continue discussions with the Village and work with them to create a draft of the agreement that will be discussed at upcoming meetings.

Splitt has received a notice from Lake County that there are several commercial assessment reductions filed with the county in excess of \$100,000. District Attorney, Tony Ficarelli will be preparing the intervention petitions to be filed with the county. She will update the board of the status of these reduction requests once the intervention/appeal process moves forward.

There was a break in at the golf course on July 26<sup>th</sup> by some kids. As planned in the budget this year, security cameras will be installed at the golf course this week and Vocke will be adding some motion sensor lights on the building as well as on the garage.

Mayor of Hainesville, Gerry Daley contacted Splitt inquiring about the Avon Baseball Park land. The Village of Hainesville would ultimately like the 3 entities who own the land (GLPD, RLPD, Avon Township) to eventually transfer ownership to the Village of Hainesville so they can build a community park. After speaking with Round Lake and Avon Township, both of these entities are in favor of releasing their ownership of that land once the baseball program is done. Our district is in a different situation as this parkland is in our district boundaries and we have never been in the business of giving away open space. Splitt informed the board this issue will be coming up for discussions in the future.

Splitt stated there is no scheduled Committee of the Whole Meeting in September.

The board reviewed the report of the Superintendent of Recreation.

The Fall Program Guide arrived in mailboxes the first week in August. Registration is underway for Fall programs, leagues, classes, and events.

The 2018 – 2019 preschool year will begin the week of September 4<sup>th</sup>. Each class will be hosting a meet and greet as well as a parent open house the week of August 27<sup>th</sup>.

Regnier stated that Weblinx, the company who hosts the current GLPD website and is helping with the redesign, is working on the graphic design for the site. Once that is approved, the project will move into the development phase.

Staff will be launching an Explore Your Parks social media campaign to highlight the district's many parks and encourage Grayslake residents to get outside and explore their parks this fall.

August 8<sup>th</sup> was the GO Grayslake Dog Days of Summer Walk at Alleghany Park. People were encouraged to bring their dogs for a walk in the park with dog-friendly activities along the way. Around 90 people plus pups attended. Save the date for a GO Lake County celebration on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM at Independence Grove (hosted by the Lake County Health Department).

July was a productive month for golf. 5 passes sold, 2097 rounds of golf played and a monthly revenue of \$15,065 was generated. Allied Central Security will be at the course the week of August 13<sup>th</sup> for installation of cameras and new security and protection systems.

Grayslake Days Parade will be on Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

The board reviewed the report of the Finance Manager.

Van Zant stated that the property tax revenue collected is at 53%. In the Recreation Program department, the district has collected 41% of the annual budgeted program revenue for the fiscal year.

Kennedy stated the September 19, 2018 Park Board meeting be will at 7:00 PM.

Motion by Lashbrook to adjourn at 7:34 PM. Second by Larson. Upon roll call, all Park Board Members voted "aye " No nays. Motion passed.

Adjourned 7:34 PM.

Ray Larson, Secretary  
Board of Commissioners