

**GRAYSLAKE COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT
PARK BOARD MEETING**

January 16, 2019

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

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

MOTION: by Rodas that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the January 16, 2019 Park Board Meeting Agenda as presented. Second by Larson. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Ryan commended staff on achieving PDRMA's highest loss control award, which is accreditation. PDRMA just as in previous years has acknowledged the agency's loss prevention efforts with a Level A-Accredited \$1,500 cash award.

Splitt mentioned the district has been given a \$200 donation for the Ray Bandemer Athletic Scholarship (#PLAY4RAY). The family is grateful to the district for establishing the Scholarship named in memory of their brother/brother-in-law as well as the tree planted to honor Ray's Memory. The family is interested in purchasing more fund raising t-shirts or other items for the Scholarship Fund.

MOTION: by Rodas that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the Consent Agenda to include the Payment of Bills and Payroll from 11/21/18 thru 1/16/19 in the amount of \$893,801.58, Approval of the November 21, 2018 Park Board Meeting Minutes and the approval of the IAPD Conference/Travel Training Expense Summary. Second by Lashbrook. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Board Members reviewed the renewal lease with Computer Power Systems for the vacant lot in between the playground area and the CPS facility to the North of the Recreation Center. The district began leasing this land in 2016. The lease is beneficial to the district as that land is used for multiple different recreation programs and allows the preschool an area for outside larger motor play. The proposed lease is again just a one year lease at a cost to the district of \$2,500. The Montessori School will also contribute \$1,500 with their lease agreement. The district will continue to cut the grass as it has for many years and each entity provides a certificate of insurance.

MOTION: by Larson to approve the lease agreement with Computer Power System as presented. Second by Toth. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Consensus among Board Members was to table the Gelatin Park Village/Park District Maintenance Agreement pending legal counsel review.

The board reviewed the report of the Executive Director.

Splitt stated the IAPD Joint Legislative Breakfast will be on Friday, February 8 at 8:30am at the Regent Center, 1200 Regent Drive Mundelein. Board Members should let Splitt know if they will be attending.

The IAPD/IPRA Annual State Conference will be taking place Thursday-Saturday, January 24-26 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Chicago. The district will be sending 4 Board Members and 5 staff to this educational conference.

The Grayslake Heritage Center Exhibit on the Park District will be on Saturday, February 2nd at 2:00pm will be the official opening of the "Where the Fun Grows: 60 years of the Grayslake Community Park District" exhibit. Splitt is hopeful all board members will be available to attend.

Splitt stated the Park District will have 3 Commissioner openings on the April 2nd ballot. Only 3 people turned in their nominating papers. They are all 3 of our current board members. The order on the ballot is Ken Ryan, Terry Toth and Katie Lashbrook.

Board Members reviewed the tax rate objection complaint filed with Lake County regarding taxes levied by our district. The district's attorneys will continue to monitor this and keep Splitt informed as it progresses.

3D Design has been preparing the bid documents for the Sunrise Playground Project. This project will be going out to bid January 24 and 25th with a bid opening on February 14th. The bid results will be brought before the board at the February 20th Park Board Meeting.

Splitt has been speaking with legal counsel regarding the Alleghany Park Phase 3 project. The district is waiting on the Alta survey and the appraisal. She will update the Board when more information becomes available.

The board reviewed the report of the Superintendent of Recreation.

Regnier stated that youth basketball and Little Hoopsters basketball began on Saturday, January 5th. Youth In-House basketball has 324 participants which is the same as last year. Travel basketball has 98 participants.

The 2019 Spring/Summer Camp brochure is currently being developed. The brochure is scheduled to be delivered to residents the week of March 5th. The brochure will include all spring programs and summer camps.

The 21st Annual Daddy Daughter Dance will be held on Saturday, January 19 from 4-7pm at Maravelas Banquets in Fox Lake.

The district will host the 2019/2020 4th Annual Art Fair/Preschool Open House held on January 15, 16 and 17 2019. Lottery Registration will begin on February 5th with priority lottery for our families currently enrolled in our preschool. Registration will open to preschool alumni on February 7 and for residents will begin on February 8th. The district continues to offer 12 classes for preschool for the upcoming school year.

The district currently has 10 teams for the men's league and 6 for the co-ed league.

Weather has been a contributing factor in the decrease of Golf rounds during November with 96 rounds played. The golf course ended their 2018 season with a total of 9,862 rounds of golf played. Regnier will be meeting with GolfNow this month to discuss allowing golfers to pay online when they reserve tee times.

The dance program has decided to create a Dance Company. Currently we have 8 dancers participating in two age groups. The company will perform at different venues and events, including six flags in June.

Upcoming Events:

Mother/Son Super Hero Dance-February 10 from 4-7pm at Maravela's Banquets in Fox Lake. Family Bingo Night-February 2 from 4-5:30pm at the Recreation Center.

Splitt reviewed the Superintendent of Parks Report for board members.

Vocke stated that for the past few months, staff has been working in various areas clearing any evasive plants (Buckthorn} for example, and trimming and removing any dead or hazardous trees.

Locations Completed:

1. Haryan Farms
2. Jones Island Woods
3. Sunrise Park
4. Chesapeake Landings
5. Central Park
6. Small pond off of Washington Street

The board reviewed the report of the Business Manager

VanZant stated that 58% of the fiscal year has passed and 99.65% of the property tax has been collected. This represents all the taxes for the year. Recreation has collected 74.8% of the budgeted program review.

W2, s and 1099's are going out to the last week in January.

In December 2018, the IMRF Board of Trustees reduced the return it assumes it will earn on IMRF's investments portfolio from 7.5% to 7.25%. This change will affect IMRF employers.

VanZant provided the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Budget Timeline for Board Members review.

Ryan stated the February 6, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting will be at 7:00pm. The February 20, 2019 Park Board Meeting will be at 7:00pm.

Adjourned 7:40pm.

Ray Larson, Secretary
Board of Commissioners