

**GRAYSLAKE COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

March 2, 2016

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

PRESENT: Commissioners Kennedy, Powell, Ryan arrived 7:16pm, Swearingen, Toth. (Absent: Larson) Staff: Nehila, Splitt. Guest: John Buckner. Board Recording Secretary Shari Raven.

MOTION: by Powell that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the March 2, 2016 Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda as presented. Second by Toth. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

John Buckner, Director of SRACLC, attended the meeting and gave an overview of the agency and its operations and relationships with its 7 members, (Grayslake Park District, Vernon Hills Park District, Mundelein Park District, and the Villages of Lincolnshire, Libertyville, Lake Zurich and Hawthorne Woods). The SRA is an integral part of providing recreational opportunities for persons with special needs in the area. Each of the 7 members pays membership dues into the SRA to cover its overall operational costs. The SRA, through local promotion such as the districts brochure and their own brochure, offers a gamut of activities for youth through senior citizens. The district's dues are covered by the districts special recreation tax levy. Additional revenue generated through this levy primarily covers physical improvements to all of our facilities to ensure accessibility is provided. These accessibility improvements were identified through the district's ADA Transition Plan which was adopted in March 2012. Nehila stated Buckner recently received a distinguished professional award from the Illinois Therapeutic Recreation Section of the Illinois Parks and Recreation Associations at this year's state conference. Buckner thanked the staff and board for their continued support and each entity looks forward to their continued professional relationship.

Nehila stated all commissioners received communication regarding their requirement to file their Economic Interest Statements with Lake County. Deadline for filing before late fees are applied is May 1, 2016.

The project for Allegany Phase II/III irrigation will begin in March. The first component will be the well drilling and installation of the wet well at the retention ponds southern end.

Nehila stated that the Village, at its Board Meeting on March 1, 2016, passed an ordinance banning phosphorus-based fertilizers for lawn care in the village except for in flower beds and vegetable gardens and farming/agricultural business, provided the fertilizer is related to growth of a product of field maintenance.

Swearingen announced the March 16, 2016 Park Board Meeting will be at 7:00pm. The April 6, 2016 Committee of the Whole Meeting will be at 7:00pm. The April 20, 2016 Park Board Meeting will be at 7:00pm.

MOTION: by Powell to adjourn at 7:33pm. Second by Kennedy. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted “aye” No nays. Motion passed.

Adjourned 7:33pm.

Ray Larson, Secretary
Board of Commissioners