

**MINUTES OF THE MAY 12, 2010  
REGULAR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

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The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Plainfield Township Park District, was held on Wednesday, May 12, 2010 at the Recreation/Administration Center, 23729 W. Ottawa Street, Plainfield.

President Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Ludemann, Newton, Wilson, Brann, Kelly

Absent: None

Staff members present: Bettin, Bott, Calabrese, Coldwater, Crisman, Kamp, Naughton, Nugent

Others present: Darcy Berg, Benji Derrick, Bill Lamb, Ceil Carey

Moved by Wilson that the board approve the agenda. Seconded by Newton. Roll Call: Ludemann-Yes, Newton-Yes, Wilson-Yes, Brann-Yes, Kelly-Yes. Motion Carried.

Moved by Wilson that the board approve the consent agenda which included minutes of the April 14, 2010 board of commissioners meeting, bills and claims check numbers 72787-72868 with check numbers 72823, 72849, 72850 & 72851 voided; interim check numbers 72591-72786 and the March, 2010 treasurer's report.. Seconded by Newton. Roll Call: Ludemann-Yes, Newton-Yes, Wilson-Yes, Brann-Yes, Kelly-Yes. Motion Carried.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director

Greg Bott told the board he spoke with John Argoudelis about scheduling a presentation to the board for the proposed senior center and that he is working on the intergovernmental agreement. Mr. Bott said that he and President Kelly were discussing how having one meeting a month has been working out. Mr. Bott said if the board would like he could put together a report between meetings that would touch on the status of different things and it could be emailed or mailed to the board. The board said they would like a between meeting update and would prefer to have it mailed instead of emailed. Mr. Bott distributed information that could be used for the presentations to the sports group boards and asked them to review it and get back to him with what they wanted taken from it or could be discussed at the last meeting. Ms. Kelly said she feels we need to meet with the sports group boards as soon as possible. Mr. Wilson suggested scheduling a special meeting to discuss the presentations to the sports group boards. The board consensus was to schedule a special meeting to discuss the presentations and to hold it on Wednesday, May 19 at 6:00 pm and to schedule meetings with the sports group boards at their next available meetings.

Recreation Department

Cheryl Crisman updated the board on the status of the Ottawa Street Pool. Commissioner Brann asked that if the pool doesn't open on time would we be letting the public know that it was because of safety issues related to the Virginia Graeme Baker Act. Mr. Bott said we would give the explanation as to why the pool didn't open.

A. Planning Department

1. Master Plan Discussion

Cameron Bettin introduced the master plan committee members in attendance to the board. Mr. Bettin reviewed the timeline or the master plan with the board. The board reviewed the parks and facilities sections of the plan and made comments and suggestions. The board stopped at the section beginning with recreation and sports programs and asked to have the master plan review placed on the special meeting agenda to continue the discussion. President Kelly thanked the committee members for attending the meeting and for all the work they've put into the plan.

## B. Business Department

### 1. 3 Year Budget Discussion

Maureen Nugent reviewed the memo regarding budget projections for the next 3 years with the board. Commissioner Newton asked if there is a plan for the money we've been using to pay ourselves back for the equestrian center loan. Ms. Nugent said the money would go back into the recreation fund. Ms. Kelly thanked Ms. Nugent for putting the projection together.

### 2. Report on Sale of General Obligation Refunding Park Bonds

Maureen Nugent said detailed information regarding the bond sale was included in the packet and said that by selling the bonds we saved the taxpayers \$344,000.00. Ms. Nugent said that as part of the bond sale process we maintained our AA rating from S & P.

President Kelly said dates need to be set for grand openings and ground breakings and said she would like to not have them all on the same day. Staff said that Clow Stephens and Village Green grand openings would have to be scheduled for the fall. The board discussed dates for the ground breaking ceremony for the Du Page River Trail and scheduled it for Wednesday, June 23 at Riverview Park at 5:30 p.m.

## SPORTS COUNCIL

There was no sports council report. Commissioner Brann asked if the sports council report could be removed from the agenda and placed under staff reports if they want to address a specific issue. The board discussed the suggestion and the consensus was remove it unless there is something to discuss.

## DISTRICT LEGISLATIVE REPORT

### A. Legislative Conference Report

The board recapped their attendance at the legislative conference in Springfield. Commissioner Newton said he felt it was a successful trip and got to meet with Representative Cross and Senator Holmes. Ms. Kelly said that at their meeting with Senator Holmes she said she would like to take a tour of the district. The board asked staff to contact her office to schedule a tour time.

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

- President Kelly told everyone to go out and play!

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Bill Lamb said the Village has been doing a lot of planning lately with transportation and other issues. Mr. Lamb said he is looking forward to the event for the local officials in July.

## COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Commissioner Newton said he is very proud of the fact that we are in the financial situation we are in and that it is a testament to Greg and the staff that they are doing their jobs well. The other commissioners expressed agreement with Mr. Newton.

## ACTION ITEMS

### A. Consider Tournament Partnership Agreement

Moved by Brann that the board approve the Tournament Partnership Agreement to be administered by staff. Seconded by Ludemann. Roll Call: Ludemann-Yes, Newton-Yes, Wilson-Yes, Brann-Yes, Kelly-Yes. Motion Carried.

### B. Consider Mower Bid Award

Moved by Newton that the board accept the bid from Shorewood Home and Auto for three model #997 mowers for a total price of \$33,341.46. Seconded by Ludemann. Roll Call: Ludemann-Yes, Newton-Yes, Wilson-Yes, Brann-Yes, Kelly-Yes. Motion Carried.

### NEW BUSINESS

Cameron Bettin mentioned the Cambridge Run HOA and the Fields on Caton Farm Road donated a tree to the Park District in celebration of Arbor Day. The board asked that a letter be sent to Larry's church group for their work in the parks and a letter to the Cambridge Run HOA for the donation.

### PRESIDENT'S RECAP OF BOARD DIRECTIVES TO STAFF

- Set a special meeting for May 19 to continue the master plan discussion and the sports group presentations
- Schedule meetings with the sports groups boards
- Put out a press release thanking people for returning their master plan surveys
- Call Senator Holmes to set up a park tour
- Send invitations to government officials for the DuPage River Trail groundbreaking ceremony June 23<sup>rd</sup> at Riverview Park at 5:30 p.m.
- Get a Thank You plaque and flowers to present to Barb Kledzik
- Send a thank you to Larry Newton's church group for the park clean up work
- Send a thank you to the Cambridge Run HOA
- Send a thank you for the kestrel houses

### EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE LAND ACQUISITION

There was no executive session.

### BOARD EVALUATION OF MEETING

The board discussed the meeting and felt there was good discussion and feedback from everyone and the packet was very thorough.

Moved by Newton that the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Seconded by Brann. Ayes-5 Nays-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory B. Bott, Secretary