

Board of Commissioners Meeting

May 17th, 2017 Minutes/Prophetstown Park District

A meeting of the Prophetstown Park District Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, May 17th, 2017 at the Prophetstown Park District. Those present included President Jason Taylor, Vice President Tom Green, Treasurer Sandy Johnson, Commissioners Bev Cooper, and Carl Weidel; Director Karyn Sommers-Buck and Bookkeeper Maggie Linden. The meeting was called to order by President Taylor at 7:00 p.m.

The nomination of a Chairperson to run the election of officer's portion of the meeting was had. Sandy Johnson was nominated Chairperson.

Chairperson Johnson asked to take nominations for President – Commissioner Tom Green made a motion to nominate Jason Taylor President, a second was made by Commissioner Carl Weidel – Jason Taylor accepted the nomination – roll call was taken; Tom Green Aye, Carl Weidel Aye, Sandy Johnson Aye, Bev Cooper Nay. Jason Taylor will continue his duties as Board President.

Chairperson Johnson asked for nominations for Vice President; Commissioner Cooper nominated Tom Green, second by Commissioner Johnson –Tom Green accepted the nomination; roll call was taken, all in favor.

Appointments made : Commissioner Johnson as Treasurer and Director Sommers-Buck continue as secretary.

President Taylor made note to Thank all of those who ran in the April 4th election for the Board and congratulated our incumbent Board Members Johnson and Green who retained their seats.

Public: Rachel Crandall attended, with an invite from President Taylor, with consideration for the committees that we will be developing in regards to the proposed additional building on the Grove Street Property.

The April 19th, 2017 minutes were read and discussed. Commissioner Weidel made a motion to accept the minutes, Commissioner Johnson seconded, all in favor, the motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for April was discussed, motion to accept made by Commissioner Green, Commissioner Weidel seconded, all in favor, the motion carried.

Correspondence-None

Report from Commissioners- Commissioner Cooper stated that she liked the new clock in the pool. Commissioner Weidel said the purchase of the new catcher's mitt for the Pony Boys was appreciated by all of the boys who are playing that position. Commissioner Johnson had no comments. Commissioner Green asked about the piles of extra materials from the diamonds project currently in the Grove Street parking lot – after high school and our rec league season should all be gone as final work is completed on the project. Green also asked if the tennis courts had been discussed lately and Director Sommers-Buck stated there had been no activity at this point –discussion amongst Commissioners that if down the road the school would ask for assistance if the Park District would be involved, all stated depending on the circumstances it is definitely something we would consider. Commissioner Green asked about the kiddie pool, Director Sommers-Buck hopes to have it ready soon after Memorial Day.

Director's Report –PDRMA review moved to May 26th for the administration piece of the Loss Control Review; Field and Rec Review will take place June 12th, overall review will be ongoing until later in the year; Heather Bruns and Director attended Aquatics Risk Management day in Aurora on April 28th- educational and informative with ideas for making sure our summer season goes smoothly; Webinar with PDRMA May 18th on Claims Reporting. Summer offerings for children starting June 5th, Krazy Kidz Fitness, Sports Enhancement, Swim Lessons. Winning Wheels will be visiting on Friday the 19th to familiarize themselves with pool to work on getting their residents here, University of Illinois Extension STEAM will be here at the facility starting June 8th, every Thursday for 5 weeks, free for attendees; geared at school aged children K-6th. Director has conversation with counsel in regards to last OMA violation, no formal decision has been received – will look at coming next month if has been resolved.

Unfinished Business- None

Current Building/Grove Street Property: President Taylor started the discussion about redefining the new building's purpose- not a community center but an extension of our current property. Define new building purposes, and major things to consider in the process; what the cost will be, what the maintenance will be and if we can generate revenue from it. Director will come with her vision for the building in June. All volunteers who have contacted us will be invited in June, will also put another notice out that if interested to please attend the June meeting. As of right now subcommittees designated as 1) Building, 2) Fundraising/Finance, 3) Public Relations/Community Outreach. At June's meeting work with volunteers to get assigned to a subcommittee and a first assignment from that. Discussion to have each Board Commissioner work with a subcommittee and attend their meetings and have a designated representative from the subcommittee attend our monthly meetings with updates and future work. Those in attendance were asked if they had interest in being a part of a subcommittee, Rachel Crandall acknowledged that she would, Linda Copeland declined.

New Business-None.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Green, all in favor, the motion carried.

Secretary, Board of Commissioners Karyn Sommers-Buck