

Board of Commissioners Meeting

August 16th, 2017/Prophetstown Park District

A meeting of the Prophetstown Park District Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, August 16th, 2017 at the Prophetstown Park District. Those present included President Jason Taylor, Vice President Tom Green, Commissioners Bev Cooper and Carl Weidel; Director Karyn Sommers-Buck and Bookkeeper Maggie Linden. Absent was Treasurer Sandy Johnson. The meeting was called to order by President Taylor at 7:00p.m.

Public: None

The July 19th Regular Board minutes, the July 19th Special Board Meeting and the August 2nd Special Board Meeting were read and discussed. Commissioner Green made a motion to accept all of the minutes presented, Commissioner Cooper seconded, all in favor, the motion carried.

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

Correspondence-Marketing opportunity with Vintage Radio – \$150 is what they are charging – President Taylor said to find out more details about when the ad would run, for how long.

Report from Commissioners- Commissioner Cooper stated she had family visiting and they had all really enjoyed the pool and thought the lifeguards did great, Commissioner Green stated that Prophet Gear is pursuing piece of land between our Grove Street Property and Prophet Gear- they will continue to mow it and it will not be our responsibility. President Taylor and Commissioner Weidel had no comments.

Director's Report –PDRMA review for LCR for Aquatics went well, sitting at 91 %, have until November 3rd to get all updates and corrections done before a final score, which will be combined with Administration. Discuss new bike for fitness center, will put on agenda for consideration in September. Will be getting estimates on pool painting to hopefully be completed this fall. Flag Football and Soccer forms due August 21st, competition will start after Labor Day weekend. Feed the Children count for the summer was 98 total swimmers. Will talk with those that come to give us estimates on pool, what cost would be for kiddie pool as well.

Unfinished Business- OMA Hearing – Final Decision. Attorney Tim Zollinger reviewed the final letter from the Attorney General in regards to the Request for Review from January. Summary concludes with 3 decisions. First, questioning of Performance Compensation Review, stated in minutes vs Performance Compensation Issues, which was stated during meeting; finds that the discrepancy is semantic rather than substantive, both phrasings adequately cite section 2 (c) (1) of OMA (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) (West 2016). Section 2 (c) (11) of OMA permits a public body to close a meeting to discuss "litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal [.]"-the Attorney General's office concluded that the Board's motion to enter closed session to discuss Request for Review 2016 PAC 45168 pursuant to section 2 (c) (11) did not violate OMA. Last, Section 2 (c) (16) of OMA permits a public body to enter closed session to discuss: "self evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the Park District is a member attended the closed session. The Board does not dispute that no such representative participated in the closed session here. The office concluded that the Board's motion to enter closed session pursuant to section 2 (c) (16) was improper. The minutes were released, as well as was recording. Therefore, no further remedial action is requested.

Attorney Zollinger also discussed meeting agendas, gave the board tips and counsel on how to better proceed with monthly meetings. Board of Commissioners and Director were very appreciative of the knowledge that Attorney Zollinger shared.

Current Building/Grove Street Property: At this time will continue to only meet with any volunteers for committees during regular board meetings vs special monthly meetings since we are still very early in the process. Review letter to be sent to Superintendent Colmone and School Board members – changed the wording in a few areas, Director will send updated version. Discuss options of what land could possibly be involved in swap, add to the discussion the current parking lot shared with the school district that sits to the east of the building. Will wait to hear back from the school district and proceed from there.

New Business-No Executive Session

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

Secretary, Board of Commissioners Karyn Sommers-Buck