

Carol Stream Park District
Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 10, 2017
7:00pm

Call to Order	Commissioner Jeffery called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.																
Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance	Present: Commissioners Powers, Gramann, Bird, Ullman, Sokolowski, Jaszka (missed roll call but arrived at 7:04pm) and Jeffery Staff: Executive Director Reuter, Directors Haring, Rosenberg and Controller Scumaci. Absent: Director Rini																
Changes to the Agenda	none																
Listening Post	Welcome to Debbie Greninger, Executive Administrative Assistant to Jim Reuter.																
Appointments and Presentations																	
Consent Agenda	<p>Commissioner Gramann made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Sokolowski.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">A. Approval of Regular Minutes: March 13, 2017 B. Ratify March 2017 Bills</p> <p>Roll Call Vote:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Commissioner Bird: Aye</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Commissioner Jeffery: Aye</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commissioner Gramann: Aye</td> <td>Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commissioner Powers: Aye</td> <td>Commissioner Ullman: Aye</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commissioner Jaszka: Aye</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>Commissioner Powers made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Bird.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">A. Approval of Regular Minutes: March 13, 2017 B. Ratify March 2017 Bills</p> <p>Roll Call Vote:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Commissioner Bird: Aye</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Commissioner Jeffery: Aye</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commissioner Gramann: Aye</td> <td>Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commissioner Powers: Aye</td> <td>Commissioner Ullman: Aye</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commissioner Jaszka: Aye</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Commissioner Bird: Aye	Commissioner Jeffery: Aye	Commissioner Gramann: Aye	Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye	Commissioner Powers: Aye	Commissioner Ullman: Aye	Commissioner Jaszka: Aye		Commissioner Bird: Aye	Commissioner Jeffery: Aye	Commissioner Gramann: Aye	Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye	Commissioner Powers: Aye	Commissioner Ullman: Aye	Commissioner Jaszka: Aye	
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	Motion Passes 7-0
Action Items	A. Approval:
Discussion Items	<p>A. Discussion: Utilities Contracts (oral) Per Board's request, staff has done research on other utility brokers. Director Rosenberg met with Scott Slobodecki of Scioto Energy; information he provided is currently being reviewed by our Corporate Attorney.</p> <p>Commissioner Bird asked what utilities will be part of this deal. Director Rosenberg said electricity only at this time.</p> <p>Commissioner Sokolowski asked if Scioto Energy's plan will save the District money. Director Rosenberg stated that the broker has provided several good options. The current contract is up May 8, 2017. The District can work without a contract for the short term if needed while we get set up with this new broker. Should have final information by next board meeting.</p> <p>B. Discussion: Capital Improvement Plan Update Executive Director Reuter referred the Board to packet for the narrative to Capital Improvement Plan. Current projects continue to move forward as planned. The main projects at this time are the surface surrounding the Splash Pad at Coral Cove, Armstrong Park washrooms, Armstrong Field 1, and the Concession Stand at Coral Cove. All are making good progress. Reuter asked for any questions from the Board.</p> <p>Commissioner Ullman asked if weather is a factor in getting the Armstrong washroom moved across the grassy area to the concrete pad. Reuter confirmed that the area needs to be very dry before the washroom is installed in the designated location.</p> <p>Commissioner Ullman asked when Armstrong Field 1 would be playable. Reuter reported that staff is working hard to finish up in time for games scheduled to start at the end of June.</p> <p>Commissioner Ullman asked if the Armstrong reservoir system is working as it should. Executive Director Reuter confirmed it was, and reiterated that as planned, if there is a lot of rain, the water still comes up to the infields. County is happy with the project.</p> <p>Commissioner Bird asked for updates about NRI Roofing work at Fountain View Recreation Center. Director Rosenberg is very comfortable with this company. After working with several other contractors, NRI is the first to find the problem with the pipes on the roof.</p>

While repairing the main leak, NRI found a couple other spots that should also be repaired.

Commissioner Gramann commented that the sooner the bathroom can get installed at Armstrong, the happier she will be. She also commented that Elk Trail Recreation Center will need funding for repairs/projects in the next few years. She suggests the Board have a conversation about the future of that building before there is any commitment to capital funds.

Commissioner Sokolowski asked about the paths at our parks. He feels the path at Bierman Park has a lot of cracks and tire tracks, and asked how we will be addressing the path repairs. Executive Director Reuter said we will be evaluating the pathways, and will look to users for input.

Commissioner Sokolowski asked about Veterans Park shoreline restoration. Executive Director Reuter reported that staff is moving forward with that project. Adding natural areas along shorelines helps with goose control. Commissioner Sokolowski asked if we are in danger of having to accelerate a plan. Executive Director Reuter said not right now, but probably in the next few years.

Commissioner Sokolowski asked about the plan for Community Park. Executive Director Reuter reported a meeting is scheduled for August to discuss funding to help with that area. Commissioner Sokolowski stated that Community Park is a priority for him. Commissioner Gramann concurred.

Commissioner Powers has spoken to Executive Director Reuter about hiring a Grant Consultant. He believes it would be beneficial to get professional help to find available funding.

Commissioner Powers asked about an encumbrance for McCaslin Park with Sound Incorporated, and Wight & Company. Those encumbrances involve exploration for an electronic marquee sign along North Avenue, and for a sound system/PA at the sports fields.

Commissioner Jeffery asked for a timeframe for news from County for the permit for an electronic sign at McCaslin Park. Executive Director Reuter attended a public hearing in regard to options for a variance to the time lapse for messages. The County standard is 5 minutes; state standard is 10 seconds. The DuPage County Board of Appeals have approved the matter to be moved forward to DuPage County Board. They didn't have an issue with 10 seconds. Staff will not recommend to move forward unless a variance to the time lapse for messages is approved.

C. Board Vacancy/Presidency Discussion (oral)

Executive Director Reuter reported that with Commissioner Ullman's decision not to run for reelection, and no one else submitting a nomination packet, there will be a vacancy.

During the first Board meeting in May, Commissioners Sokolowski and Gramann will be sworn in for another 4 year term. Executive Director Reuter also reported that several Board members are aware of candidates interested in filling this vacancy. Reuter reported that Mr. Kentfield approached him; Director Haring reported that Steve Griffin (volunteer coach) also inquired about a position on the board. Executive Director Reuter explained that since we haven't been in this situation before, we did not have a process in place but will refer to the IAPD District Code book. Commissioners Jeffery Powers spoke to Jason Anselment at IAPD. He can provide information on an application process for appointing a new Board Member. Commissioner Gramann asked if we could just leave the vacancy open. Commissioner Jeffery said we could, but per IAPD it is not best practice. Commissioners Sokolowski agrees that the position should be filled.

Commissioner Powers suggests that the Board form a committee to research and develop a process to recommend to the Board. Executive Director Reuter suggests looking to IAPD for their direction. Several commissioners agreed with the suggestion for a committee, and for getting direction from IAPD, and reaching out to other park districts. Commissioner Gramann commented on appointing a Board member who didn't go through the election process. Board members go through a lot of work getting their petition signed and listened to neighbors input. The appointed individual should show commitment to the Park District; she is concerned about appointing an individual who hasn't even attended a meetings this year. Commissioner Jeffery believes that since the Park District/Board run so well, people don't think about running. Commissioner Gramann reported that former Commissioner Steve Ravanese would be interested if the Board didn't have anyone else in mind. Commissioner Powers does not suggest starting this process to fill the vacancy until May when Commissioner Gramann and Commissioner Sokolowski have been sworn in for their new term.

Executive Director Reuter reminded the Board that the appointment of President and Vice President will happen at the first meeting in May. Commissioner Sokolowski and Commissioner Powers are both interested in the President position; Commissioner Jaszka is interested in remaining as Vice President.

D. Weekly Happenings (oral)

Commissioner Gramann asked for an update on the situation between a volunteer coach and parent. Director Haring reported that the situation was formally addressed with the Coach.

Commissioner Bird asked if we had planted some new trees along Lies Road. Director Rosenberg said nothing new was planted. Commissioner Bird said maybe he just never noticed them before.


Closed Session	Commissioner Gramann made a motion to move to Closed Session at 7:55pm pm. Seconded by Commissioner Powers. Voice Vote taken. Motion passed 7-0-0.

<p>Action Pertaining to Closed Session</p>	<p>Commissioner Powers made a motion to approve the Executive Director contract for Jim Reuter as presented for another three year term starting in July 2017-2020. Seconded by Commissioner Gramann. Roll call taken. Motion passed 7-0-0.</p> <p>Commissioner Bird made a motion to approve a 2.5% raise for Executive Director Reuter effective March 18, 2017. Seconded by Commissioner Sokolowski. Roll Call taken. Motion passed 7-0-0</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Commissioner Sokolowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Bird. Voice Vote taken. Motion passed 7-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:19 pm.</p>



Secretary
Jim Reuter

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Date



Vice President
John Jaszka