

**MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BUFFALO GROVE PARK DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 24, 2007**

Commissioners Present: Martha Weiss, Scott Jacobson, Rick Drazner, Jack Schmerer

Absent: Lawrence Reiner

Staff Present: Michael Rylko, Executive Director, Dan Schimmel, Director of Recreation and Facilities, Dale Ducommun, Superintendent of Parks, John Short, Business Manager, Mike Terson, Public Relations/Marketing Manager, Kim Cashmore, Superintendent of Recreation, Lara Anderson, Attorney, Sandy Page, Executive Secretary

Guests: Greg Ney – Recreation Supervisor for the Park District
Thomas Chapman – Raymond James & Associates, Inc.

Vice President Weiss called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:44 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Schmerer moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Jacobson and passed with a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Tom Chapman of Raymond James & Associates, Inc. and Greg Ney who is a Recreation Supervisor for the Park District were in attendance.

GUESTS

Executive Director Rylko read the Public Hearing Notice regarding the intent of the Park Board to sell \$1,575,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds.

**PUBLIC HEARING
TO SELL \$1,575,000
GENERAL OBLIGATION
LIMITED TAX PARK
BONDS**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT
OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE
BUFFALO GROVE PARK DISTRICT, LAKE AND COOK
COUNTIES, ILLINOIS TO SELL \$1,575,000 GENERAL
OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX PARK BONDS**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Buffalo Grove Park District, Lake and Cook Counties, Illinois (the “*District*”), will

hold a public hearing on the 24th day of September, 2007 at 7:00 o'clock P.M. The hearing will be held in the Alcott Center, 530 Bernard Drive, Buffalo Grove, Illinois. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments on the proposal to sell bonds of the District in the amount of \$1,575,000 for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto.

By order of the President of the Board of Park Commissioners
of the Buffalo Grove Park District, Lake and Cook Counties, Illinois.

Dated the 13th day of September, 2007.

Michael Rylko
Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners
Buffalo Grove Park District, Lake and
Cook Counties, Illinois

Published in the Daily Herald September 13, 2007.

Public Comments/Questions

There were no public comments or questions.

Tom Chapman related they are already in the process of accumulating the data for the offering document.

Commissioner Jacobson asked, with the Federal Government cutting 50 basis points, if the municipal market has come down. Mr. Chapman stated that it has not. It has remained stable.

Close Public Hearing

Commissioner Drazner moved to close the Public Hearing closed at 7:48 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Schmerer and passed with a voice vote.

Approval of August 13, 2007 Joint Workshop Minutes

Commissioner Schmerer moved to approve the August 13, 2007 Joint Workshop Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Drazner and passed with a voice vote with Vice President Weiss abstaining.

MINUTES

Approval of August 13, 2007 Workshop Minutes

Commissioner Drazner moved to approve the August 13, 2007 Workshop Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Schmerer and passed with a voice vote with Vice President Weiss abstaining.

Approval of August 27, 2007 Workshop Minutes

Commissioner Drazner moved to approve the August 27, 2007 Workshop Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Jacobson and passed with a voice vote.

Approval of August 27, 2007 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Drazner moved to approve the August 27, 2007 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Jacobson and passed with a voice vote.

Vice President Weiss read into the record Resolution 07-8-1 recognizing Greg Ney on 10 years of service to the Buffalo Grove Park District. The Commissioners approved the Resolution at their August 27th meeting.

RECOGNITION OF GREG NEY FOR 10 YEARS OF SERVICE

Greg Ney was present to receive his Resolution.

Greg began working for the District part-time and was hired as a full-time athletics supervisor in 1997. The programs under Greg’s direction, Sports Camp, Boys and Girls Basketball Leagues, High School basketball, the Stampede and many other sports programs have seen a large surge of growth. He also served as the Illinois Coordinator for the Pitch, Hit, and Run competition and received the IPRA Recreation Section Young Professionals Award for his efforts.

Greg served on the First Choice Marketing Committee and the Safety Committee and volunteered to prepare materials for the Personnel section of the Distinguished Leisure Service Certification process.

There were no topics from the floor.

TOPICS FROM THE FLOOR

Written and Verbal Correspondence

CORRESPONDENCE

The Commissioners received newspaper articles regarding the Governor blocking money for projects, the Buffalo Grove Plaza Plan, the winners of the Stampede, a new dance fitness class at the Fitness Center, winners of the float competition in the B.G. Days parade, and the dedication of the Alcott Center lobby, playground and the dedication of a room in Jan Mahoney’s honor in the preschool wing of the Alcott Center.

They also received correspondence regarding the girl’s basketball program.

There was no Attorney’s Report.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

The Committee Action Items were discussed in previous workshops.

COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS

Finance

Commissioner Jacobson moved to approve the September Warrant 2007 in the amount of \$790,361.09, seconded by Commissioner Drazner and passed with a roll call vote.

September Warrant 2007

Ayes: Weiss, Jacobson, Drazner, Schmerer
Nays: 0
Absent: Reiner

Commissioner Jacobson moved to approve the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Audit as presented by Sikich LLP, Brian Lefevre, seconded by Commissioner Schmerer and passed with a roll call vote.

F.Y. 2006-07 Audit

Ayes: Weiss, Jacobson, Drazner, Schmerer
Nays: 0
Absent: Reiner

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Jacobson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as proposed, seconded by Commissioner Schmerer and passed with a voice vote.

1. August Financial Statement
2. August Year to Date Statement
3. 2008 Day Camp Fees

Executive Director Rylko reminded the Commissioners of the upcoming park tour to be held on Sunday, October 14th at 10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND

There was nothing more to add to the Executive Director's Report.

Executive Director

Superintendent Ducommun stated someone has filled out an application for pavers for Veterans Park. They would like both pavers in the same area even though one is for the Navy and one is for the Army. He will contact the person requesting the pavers and suggest having one large paver including both branches of service and have it installed near the flagpole.

Parks Department

Director Schimmel stated there is a new art exhibit at the Fitness Center.

Recreation Department

Debbie Fandrei installed an exhibit from the Museum in the Alcott lobby display cases. Director Schimmel spoke to Karen Meadows about using the cases for displaying sculpture.

The District's contract with PACE stated the deal would be closed after a 5 year period when the District could purchase the

van for \$1. The District has received verbal communication that they will not be able to purchase the van from PACE at the end of the period. The van is still at the park district and it cannot be driven across state lines without asking permission, and it cannot be modified in any way, we still have to complete all their reports as it is still a PACE van, and now because of recent decisions from PACE, the District must also comply with their CDL and drug and alcohol random testing. Director Schimmel is still trying to receive written notification from PACE regarding this new issue.

Attorney Anderson related PACE has done this with other Park Districts. Director Schimmel will send the information to our Senators to see if they can be of any help. Commissioner Drazner suggested turning the information over to the Secretary of State Police and indicate PACE is not honoring their contract and turning over the title.

Commissioner Schmerer asked about the e-mail from a resident regarding the girl's basketball program. Director Schimmel stated he was very hopeful that people would be pulled from the wait list as people on teams realized they were overscheduled, or decided not to play, but that has not happened. Unfortunately this person will not be able to participate in the program, but it was suggested they register for the winter basketball league and perhaps seek another fall basketball league so as not to miss the fall basketball experience.

There was nothing to add to John Short's report.

Mike Terson had nothing to add to his report.

There was no old business to report.

The Commissioners received the Park District Code New Edition the 94th Illinois General Assembly, the Illinois Park District Law Handbook 5th Edition Revised and Expanded, and the Illinois Association of Park Districts' Financial Procedures for Park Districts. Those books will be part of the orientation for new Commissioners.

Commissioner Jacobson suggested that when preparing the budget for next year, Executive Director Rylko and John Short speak to the Cook County and Lake County appraisers due to what is happening in the real estate market. Executive Director Rylko explained that he works with the Vernon Township assessor. Lake County is good about contacting the District with information on whether the valuation will be going up or down.

Accounting

Public Relations/Marketing

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Schmerer moved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel at 8:32 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Jacobson and passed with a voice vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Jacobson moved to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the Regular Board Meeting at 9:07 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Schmerer and passed with a voice vote.

Executive Director Rylko called the roll.

Commissioners Present: Martha Weiss, Scott Jacobson, Rick Drazner,
Jack Schmerer

Absent: Lawrence Reiner

Staff Present: Michael Rylko, Executive Director, and John Short,
Business Manager.

There was no action taken in Executive Session.

Commissioner Drazner moved to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 9:08 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Schmerer and passed with a voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary