

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
OCTOBER 7, 2008**

AGENDA

ROLL CALL

The Board of Park Commissioners met for their regular meeting on Tuesday, October 7, 2008, at 5:00 p.m., in the Park District board meeting room. Present were Commissioners Hutchison, Panzer, Bollman, LaDouceur and Westlund. Congratulations were bestowed on Commissioner LaDouceur for his 11 straight years of coaching the championship tennis team and for being named tennis Coach of the Year.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 2 & 15, 2008

A motion was made by Commissioner LaDouceur to approve the minutes from September 2 & 15, 2008. Seconded by Commissioner Bollman; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA

It was requested item "UND Tennis Courts" be placed on the agenda under "For Discussion."

A motion was made by Commissioner LaDouceur to place the above item on the agenda under "For Discussion." Seconded by Commissioner Bollman; motion carried.

DELEGATES TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

None.

FOR DISCUSSION

CENTER COURT ROOF REPAIR

(this item was taken out of agenda order)

The estimated cost of the repair to the roof is \$4000.00, and would give the roof four to five more years. Replacing the entire roof would cost between \$250,000.00 and \$300,000.00. With the proposed new Wellness Center possibly in the future, a partial repair would be good enough for now. However, the weather is a detriment to fixing it now. It would be best to wait until spring, with a possible May 1 start date.

Commissioner Westlund felt the roof needs to be fixed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Westlund to repair Center Court's roof in the spring. If anything major comes along prior to that, bring it back to the Board. Seconded by Commissioner LaDouceur; motion carried.

ENERGY AUDIT REPORT

Steve Mullally reported Mr. Bohlman has almost completed the report. He will attend the December Board meeting to visit with the Board on his recommendations for improvements that could be implemented to save energy costs.

Y FAMILY PARTNERSHIP

Cam Tweten stated the partnership with the Y could start as early as next Spring.

Commissioners Panzer and LaDouceur agreed the partnership should start as soon as possible.

Cam would like to meet with the executive members of the Y Board to discuss issues to be resolved in working toward this partnership. He feels it will happen in the Spring, which would be an ideal time.

He will keep the Board informed.

GOLF COURSE FEES FOR 2009

Commissioner Bollman stated the members of the Golf Committee need to get suggestions in so when the meeting occurs next week the Committee will have some direction.

Commissioner Westlund felt membership costs should increase by 5%.

Commissioner Hutchison felt memberships costs shouldn't be increased, only daily greens fees.

GREENWAY PARK LEASES

These leases involve eight sites on the Greenway that the Park District maintains.

Al Grasser, City Engineer, addressed the Board asking for input on the five-year leases.

Commissioner Bollman stated he has no reservations with any of them except the sledding hill site at 13th and Belmont. It competes with the sledding hill at Lincoln Drive Park.

The staff was asked to make recommendations on the leases and bring them back to the Board at the November meeting.

UND TENNIS COURTS

The tennis courts promised by UND at this site were to be six, but there are only two. Money was raised and donated by the Jacobi family for the courts; the Park District contributed money also in order to make the courts available for community use.

It was felt the Park District needs to write to the President of UND, to Bob Boyd, and to the Athletic Director to inquire as to what is going on and what happened to the money.

FOR ACTION

GREENWAY PARK DEEDS

The parks involved in these deeds are: Kannowski Park, Jaycees Park, Lincoln Park, Riverside Park and Sunbeam Park.

A motion was made by Commissioner Westlund to approve the deeds. Seconded by Commissioner LaDouceur; motion carried.

2009 BUDGET

After a short discussion, the 2009 budget was approved:

A motion was made by Commissioner Bollman to approve the 2009 budget, approve the Resolution of Annual Appropriations and Tax Levy for 2009, Ordinance No. 71, and to approve the Resolution Approving Extension of 10 Mil Levy for General Fund. Seconded by Commissioner Panzer; motion carried.

RIVERSIDE POOL JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT

John Staley reported discussion with Eliot Glassheim still needs to take place before approval of the agreement.

GOLF CONSULTANT COMPENSATION

It was generally felt by the Board and administration Pete Loyd should be compensated for his travel costs and time spent at King's Walk advising the groundskeeper.

Pete has said there are some photos he would like as compensation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Panzer to compensate Pete Loyd with \$1000.00 and the photos he would choose. Seconded by Commissioner Westlund; motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

All reports were accepted as presented.

BILLS TO BE APPROVED FOR SEPTEMBER

A motion was made by Commissioner Panzer to approve the bills for September in the amount of \$482,820.09. Seconded by Commissioner Westlund; motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS

All reports were accepted as presented.

Superintendent Palmiscno reported Ali's Boundless Playground will cost the Park District \$15,000.00 to \$20,000.00.

The *Recreational Activities Guide* has gone out with most of the programs scheduled to begin in November.

First Season's Family Center opened for the season on October 6.

Center Court reported to date membership at 1379, up slightly over 2007.

Superintendent Mullally reported his crew assisted in the installation of the first phase of Ali's Boundless Playground and working with Opp Construction to complete the next phase.

The Parks crew is in the process of draining water systems and winterizing park facilities for the year.

King's Walk reported 22,394 rounds played through September for the season.

Forestry reported 1019 berm trees pruned and 81 request calls answered.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Westlund reported the Arnold Palmer Drive street sign is not very visible and it should be moved to make it so.

Commissioners Panzer and LaDouceur requested copies of pictures taken during Arnold Palmer's visit.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner LaDouceur to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Bollman; motion carried

John Staley, Clerk

Bill Hutchison, President