

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 7, 2009**

AGENDA

ROLL CALL

The Board of Park Commissioners met for their regular meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2009, at the Park District's board meeting room. Present were Commissioners Hutchison, Panzer, Bollman, LaDouceur and Westlund.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MARCH 3 & 17, 2009

A motion was made by Commissioner Westlund to approve the minutes from the March 3 & 17, 2009, board meetings. Seconded by Commissioner Bollman; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA

None.

DELEGATES TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

None.

FOR DISCUSSION

PRESENTATION OF THE 2008 AUDIT

Joe Martin, Brady Martz, presented and went over the 2008 audit with the Board.

He reported all government funds ended the year in good shape. However, he noted the enterprise funds did not. The three enterprise funds represent facilities. He also noted the Park District's goal needs to be to reduce past service debt.

He also discussed the Management Recommendations of the audit with the Board with two issues immerging: purchase orders and past service debt.

Commissioner Hutchison feels the Park District should have purchase orders and the past service debt needs to be addressed. He feels it's the Board's job to get rid of past service debt.

Commissioner Westlund stated he would like to see purchase orders on the agenda for discussion. John Staley stated the staff is alright with the use of purchase orders.

HOCKEY SEASON REPORT

Bob Gillen and Scott Koberinski addressed the Board with their report.

Scott stated on the traveling teams this season there were three A teams and a lot of parents did like it. Things are good with peewee and bantam and it was good to register squirt level players with USA Hockey.

The girl's hockey remains separate. The Board inquired as to why. Bob Gillen stated that is the way they have wanted it since the beginning. If they want us to run it, we are ready to do so, but they must open up their ranks to everyone who wants to play.

Bob Gillen reported the rec league in-house hockey is a big success, but has some issues that need to be addressed.

Challenges are going to be ice time. Outdoor practice is all weather-related.

2008 GOLF REPORT

Dan Tannahill and Steve Mullally presented the report to the Board.

Rounds were up at Lincoln Park Golf Course and ladies beginning golf is growing.

Only two holes were affected by flooding this spring.

Club cards are on a gradual drop at King's Walk. On each club card sale, \$5.00 is given to high school and youth golf.

There have been no negative comments on this year's fees.

FLOOD REPORT

Rick Ziegelmann, Parks Operations Manager, reported we are doing OK for right now. He is unsure how it will go with a second crest.

Commissioner Hutchison asked for an estimate of flood cost. Rick felt it could be between \$15,000 and \$20,000. The Board will be kept informed.

FOR ACTION

RIVERSIDE POOL MANGEMENT AGREEMENT

This agreement has been presented a few times, and the final tweaking is done and is satisfactory between the City and the Park District.

A motion was made by Commissioner Westlund to approve the agreement. Seconded by Commissioner Panzer; motion carried.

AWARD DUTCH ELM DISEASE BID

Bids had been received from tree contractors to remove diseased elm trees on private property.

Gary's Tree Removal was low bidder, has worked for the Park District before and met all the specifications. Mike Fugazzi recommended the Board approve his bid.

A motion was made by Commissioner LaDouceur to approve the bid from Gary's Tree Removal. Seconded by Commissioner Bollman; motion carried.

AWARD LIGHTING FIXTURE BID

Steve Mullally presented the bids to the Board.

Century Electric was low bidder that met the specifications and provides the fixture that best meets the Park District's needs. Mr. Randall Bohlman agreed with the bid and the product.

A motion was made by Commissioner Panzer to go forward with the bid at \$90,243, which is \$600 over estimated cost, and accept Mr. Bohlman's recommendation. Seconded by Commissioner LaDouceur; motion carried.

AWARD EQUIPMENT BID

The Park District is bidding out playground equipment for Midtown Park for Urban Development. Bill Palmiscno presented the bids to the Board. Premier Recreation Products was low bid and Bill recommended the Board accept that bid. Urban Development will reimburse the Park District.

A motion was made by Commissioner Westlund to accept the bid from Premier Recreation Products. Seconded by Commissioner Bollman; motion carried.

King's Walk Golf Course bid out three pieces of equipment: two sand trap rakes and a range picker cart. Dave Clark presented the bids to the Board and recommended Turfwerks bid for the sand trap rakes and Club Car Turf I for the range picker cart. These bids came within budget and met all the specifications.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bollman to accept the bids from Turfwerks and Club Car Turf I for the equipment at King's Walk. Seconded by Commissioner LaDouceur; motion carried.

All items are in the 2009 budget.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

All reports were accepted as presented.

BILLS TO BE APPROVED FOR MARCH

A motion was made by Commissioner Panzer to approve the bills for March for the Park District in the amount of \$5,301,501.94 and the bills for the Parks and Recreation Foundation in the amount of \$3,471.69. Seconded by Commissioner Westlund; motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS

Superintendent Palmiscno reported we may have a sponsor for a scoreboard at diamond #5 at Apollo Park.

He also reported a total of 1200 attended the five nights of the Knight for a Princess event.

Superintendent Mullally reported the driving range at King's Walk will open on Saturday with the course scheduled to open about five to six days later.

He also reported Spring Fest is scheduled for May 9 in University Park.

Forestry reported 480 street trees pruned during the month of March.

BOARD MEMEBERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Westlund reported he felt the entry way at Center Court is looking pretty sad.

John stated we will get a price for repair of the steps.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

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

John Staley, Clerk

Bill Hutchison, President