

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 5, 2006**

AGENDA

ROLL CALL

The Board of Park Commissioners met for their regular meeting on Tuesday, September 5, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. in the Park District board meeting room. Present were Commissioners Bollman, Hutchison, Panzer and Jeske. Commissioner LaDouceur was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 1 & 15, 2006

A motion was made by Commissioner Panzer to approve the minutes from the August 1 & 15, 2006, meetings. Seconded by Commissioner Jeske; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA

None.

DELEGATES TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

None.

FOR DISCUSSION

EXTEND CENTER COURT FITNESS CLUB UPGRADE PROJECT

Discussion centered on adding TVs in the lower area and replacing the carpeting upstairs. The Board was asked for their opinions on this.

Commissioner Hutchison stated he liked the idea of one TV moved downstairs to the free weight room, but only one, not more. He feels any more upgrading can wait.

Cam stated he was giving feedback from customers about the upgrade. He feels it is more important right now to see where Center Court is going in the next few months as far as membership numbers are concerned.

Commissioner Bollman suggested the extended upgrade proposal be put on hold.

FOR ACTION

2007 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

John Staley addressed the Board stating three areas of change:

1. The special assessment fund is the same as last year. Our special assessments are still unknown.
2. The parking lot expense may be moved to a different fund.
3. There have been struggles with golf. The rates have been tweaked as best they could be, but there is still a lot of uncertainty.

If the preliminary budget is approved tonight, changes can still be made. The Preliminary 2007 budget proposes a 1.5 mil decrease.

Commissioner Hutchison stated he felt the golf rates were too high for a public course.

He does not agree with the budget in that we don't need \$112,000 surplus in our special assessment fund. With inflation three to four percent, he feels a budget increase from 8% to 12% is unnecessary.

Discussion followed.

John stated he disagrees with Commissioner Hutchison on the golf course rates.

Colette stated we have had a no growth budget for several years.

A motion was made by Commissioner Panzer to approve the preliminary budget for 2007. Seconded by Commissioner Jeske; motion carried three to one with Commissioner Hutchison dissenting.

AWARD STUMP REMOVAL BID

Mike Fugazzi presented the bids to the Board. There was a three-way tie and he asked two vendors to re-bid. The third vendor did not meet the specifications.

The second bids came in with Keith's Stump Removal low bidder. Mike recommended the Board accept that bid. Keith's has done work for the Park District before and met all the specifications.

A motion was made by Commissioner Panzer to approve the recommendation to accept the low bid from Keith's Stump Removal at \$.73 per inch. Seconded by Commissioner Hutchison; motion carried.

APPROVE AMENDMENT TO TREE IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 29

These three resolutions are strictly housekeeping resolutions necessary for tree planting in new developments.

**RESOLUTION CREATING ASSESSMENTS FOR TREE IMPROVEMENT
PROJECT #00290
TREE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #29**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hutchison to approve the resolution creating the assessment. Seconded by Commissioner Jeske; motion carried.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR TREE
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT #00290, DISTRICT #29**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hutchison to approve the Plans and Specifications for Tree Improvement. Seconded by Commissioner Panzer; motion carried.

**RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY
Tree Improvement District #29 (Project #00290)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hutchison to approve the Resolution of Necessity. Seconded by Commissioner Jeske; motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

All reports were accepted as presented.

BILLS TO BE APPROVED FOR AUGUST

A motion was made by Commissioner Hutchison to approve the bills for August in the amount of \$572,792.39. Seconded by Commissioner Panzer; motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS

All reports were accepted as presented.

Steve Mullally reported the youth golf course at Lincoln Park will be ready next year.

His crew has been mowing, trimming all park areas and winterizing Elks pool.

King's Walk will host an Ambassador's Appreciation event on September 29.

Bill Palmiscno reported the Apollo dugouts are done except for the roofs.

Bob Gillen presented the Baseball/Softball report. Seven out of the 10 suggestions from last year's survey were put into place this season. There was only one-half day loss due to rain this season, and late registrations continue to be a problem.

Center Court Fitness Center reported a current membership of 1548. Their fall programs will begin on September 11.

Forestry reported year- to-date diseased elms removed at 62. The crew helped with the Apollo ball diamond expansion by tearing down the building and removing trees.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT

Commissioner Jeske inquired about the Apollo Park bathrooms being handicapped accessible. That is in the plans within the next two years.

Commissioner Hutchison stated the open meeting laws indicate it is not necessary to announce the meetings in the paper, but the City Auditor needs a year-long list of meetings. Posting meetings on the door the evening of the meeting seems to be good enough.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Jeske to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Hutchison; motion carried.

John Staley, Clerk

Jim Bollman, President