

**MINUTES OF THE
722th REGULAR MEETING
MORTON GROVE PARK DISTRICT
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.
PRAIRIE VIEW COMMUNITY CENTER
6834 DEMPSTER STREET**

President Betty Fergus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and directed roll to be taken.

I. Roll Call:

Commissioners Present: Betty Fergus, Eileen Coursey, Dominick Burdi, Kevin Lochner, Jerry Coursey.

II. Staff Present:

Sue Braubach, Marketing and Public Information Manager; Greg Jayne, Park Manager; Laurie Larson, Human Resources Generalist; Les Preuss, Finance Manager; Kelly Smith, Recreation and Facilities Manager; Brian Sullivan, Director; Jen Tiltges, Recreation Supervisor.

Guests Present:

Joanna Carver, Northwestern

III. Pledge of Allegiance:

Betty Fergus led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Consent Agenda:

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Dominick Burdi, seconded by Commissioner Eileen Coursey to approve the minutes of the Recreation Facility Programming Committee meeting held on October 6, 2011 and dispense with the reading thereof, since all commissioners had previously received a copy. *Eileen Coursey: Aye, Dominick Burdi: Aye, Kevin Lochner: Aye; Jerry Coursey: Aye; Betty Fergus: Aye, MOTION CARRIED.*

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Dominick Burdi, seconded by Commissioner Eileen Coursey to approve the minutes of the Parks and Facilities Maintenance Committee meeting held on October 6, 2011 and

dispense with the reading thereof, since all commissioners had previously received a copy. *Eileen Coursey: Aye, Dominick Burdi: Aye, Kevin Lochner: Aye; Jerry Coursey: Aye; Betty Fergus: Aye, MOTION CARRIED.*

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Dominick Burdi, seconded by Commissioner Eileen Coursey to approve the minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee held on October 13, 2011 and dispense with the reading thereof, since all commissioners had previously received a copy. *Eileen Coursey: Aye, Dominick Burdi: Aye, Kevin Lochner: Jerry Coursey; Betty Fergus: Aye, MOTION CARRIED.*

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Dominick Burdi, seconded by Commissioner Eileen Coursey to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on October 20, 2011 and dispense with the reading thereof, since all commissioners had previously received a copy. *Eileen Coursey: Aye, Dominick Burdi: Aye, Kevin Lochner: Aye, Jerry Coursey; Aye, Betty Fergus: Aye MOTION CARRIED.*

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Dominick Burdi, seconded by Commissioner Eileen Coursey to approve the Treasurer's report for October 2011 subject to audit. *Eileen Coursey: Aye, Dominick Burdi: Aye, Kevin Lochner: Aye, Jerry Coursey; Aye, Betty Fergus: Aye, MOTION CARRIED.*

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Dominick Burdi, seconded by Commissioner Eileen Coursey to approve the bills dated November 17, 2011 subject to audit. *Eileen Coursey: Aye, Dominick Burdi: Aye, Kevin Lochner: Aye, Jerry Coursey; Aye, Betty Fergus: Aye, MOTION CARRIED.*

V. Correspondence:

None

VI. Visitors Comments:

Joanna Carver, Northwestern student introduced herself.

VII. Golden Pickle Award:

The Golden Pickle Award was given to Kelly Smith who has been the IPRA's BMW Championship volunteer coordinator for many years. From this event she has gained some recognition and was asked to speak at the national conference on volunteer coordinating, bringing national recognition to the District.

VIII. Staff Reports:

Laurie Larson, Human Resources Generalist reported that the District will be completing the fall wellness initiative with an activity on Monday, “Bags in the Bay”.

Les Preuss, Finance Manager added to his report that tomorrow bids for the bond issue are due.

Sue Braubach, Marketing and Information Manager added to her report that the Board page on the website has been updated with the Commissioner’s bios.

Kelly Smith, Recreation and Facility Manager reported that yesterday was member appreciation day. Over 100 members attended.

Kelly Smith, Recreation and Facility Manager reported that the Starbound dance fundraiser show case will take place this Sunday in the gymnasium.

Kelly Smith, Recreation and Facility Manager reported that we have over 30 kids signed up for the three day Gap program “Turkey Time”.

Greg Jayne, Parks Manager reported that the PVCC’s light replacement is scheduled to be completed this week. The next step will be to replace all the lights in the field houses and pool buildings which will be starting shortly.

Greg Jayne, Parks Manager reported that he is working on pricing for the pool pump for the VGBA project, interviews, and tree donations.

Director Brian Sullivan reported that he attended an administrators meeting yesterday at Park View School. District 67 will have two referendum items next election. Gary Zabilka, Superintendent at School District 70 is retiring at the end of the school year. The District will hopefully announce his replacement in December.

Director Brian Sullivan reported the Bally’s Fitness Health Club across the street is not renewing their leases, however, they may be selling to LA Fitness. The Village to make this updated mall a TIF District. In order to do this they would like to meet with all the Districts that are impacted.

Director Brian Sullivan reported The Bloomberg Business Report has named Morton Grove the third best place to raise a family in the United States. The rating included parks and leisure opportunities. We will be receiving a certificate from the report.

Director Brian Sullivan reported that he has offered to volunteer at the American Legion on Thanksgiving, with the Board’s permission he will

offer the use of the Park District to the Legion for the Great Lakes Trainees attending the event. He will see if the Legion is interested.

Director Brian Sullivan stated the he will periodically be reporting on MNASR. This month they received a 100 percent on their PDRMA safety review partially due to our Police force and facilities. Additionally, they received a \$1000 donation from Gordon Food Service and a \$1000 from Tony products. It is their 40th anniversary this year and will be recognizing the District as a founding member. Four basketball teams this year will be heading down to the Special Olympics along with a few other entries. Moving forward, inclusion cost will be tracked and given to you on a quarterly reported. The new lease agreement we made with MNASR reduced their rent allowing them to pass along a reduced fee to all the districts in the area. Brian will serve on the Board as Vice President, then moving into the President role after the Director of the Skokie Park District retires.

XI. Unfinished Business

A. Committee Reports

1. Recreation and Facility Program Committee

A. Disposal of fixed assets ordinance #2011-03

A motion was made by Commissioner Eileen Coursey, second by Commissioner Kevin Lochner that the Board Authorize the disposal of fixed assets listed in ordinance #2011-03. *Dominick Burdi: Aye, Kevin Lochner: Aye, Jerry Coursey: Aye, Betty Fergus: Aye, Eileen Coursey: Aye, MOTION CARRIED.*

2. Parks and Facility Maintenance Committee

B. Ballfield Groomer

A motion was made by Commissioner Kevin Lochner, second by Commissioner Eileen Coursey, that the Board award the bid for a Bannerman BP-6 Groomer from Mid-America sales Associates of Jasper, IN for the price of \$5,787.00 Plus \$200 freight charge. *Kevin Lochner: Aye, Jerry Coursey: Aye, Betty Fergus: Aye, Eileen Coursey: Aye, Dominick Burdi: Aye, MOTION CARRIED.*

3. Administration and Finance Committee

A. Tax Levy Hearing

A motion was made by Commissioner Dominick Burdi, second by Commissioner Kevin Lochner to approve setting a public hearing for the 2012-2013 tax levy in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Truth and Taxation Act for 6:30 PM on December 15, 2011 in the administrative offices of the Park District located at 6834 Dempster street in Morton

Grove and direct staff to file all appropriate notifications. ***Jerry Coursey: Aye, Betty Fergus: Aye, Kevin Lochner: Aye, Eileen Coursey: Aye, Dominick Burdi: Aye, MOTION CARRIED.***

X. New Business

President Betty Fergus agreed to be the delegate to the annual IAPD Business Meeting with Kevin Lochner as the alternate.

XI. Commissioners' Comments

Commissioner Jerry Coursey – none
Treasurer Dominick Burdi – Happy Thanksgiving, be safe and healthy
Vice President Eileen Coursey – none
Commissioner Kevin Lochner– Happy Thanksgiving
President Betty Fergus – Happy Thanksgiving and congratulations to Kelly.

XII. Executive Session

None

XIII. Adjournment

A MOTION made by Commissioner Eileen Coursey and seconded by Commissioner Dominick Burdi to adjourn meeting at 7:35 pm, all in agreement, **MOTION CARRIED.**

President: _____

Secretary: _____