

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF DUPAGE
DARIEN PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING**

April 14, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

President Campagnolo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Darien City Hall, 1702 Plainfield Road, Darien, Illinois.

ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Upon roll call the following Commissioners were present:

PRESENT: Nancy Campagnolo, Frank Noverini, Neil Christensen, Ray Jablonski

ABSENT: James Tikalsky

Staff: Stephanie Gurgone; Executive Director, Chris Katsougris; Assistant Director, Robert Strickler; Superintendent of Parks, John Murphey; Attorney

Guests: Kris Sant, Darien
Cindy Foggia, Director of Skate School

PUBLIC COMMENT & GUESTS

Mr. Kris Sant, stated that he would like to request that the District consider posting "No Smoking" signs in the children's playground area.

President Campagnolo stated that the Board can discuss the request in a working session at a future Committee Meeting.

Ms. Cindy Foggia, Director of Skate School thanked the Board for the opportunity to provide the community with information about the Skate School Program. Ms. Foggia stated that instruction begins at the tot level for age 3-4 and is offered for all ages thru adults. She stated that the Skate School Program provides all levels of instruction and that some of the students participating in the program have progressed to Junior Nationals and Sectionals.

Ms. Foggia announced that the Ice Show will be held on May 2nd and 3rd and that the tickets will be available for \$8 on April 21st. She stated that contract skating is also available before, during

and after school. She further stated that the summer program begins the week of June 5th for 8 weeks.

COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Christensen reported that he received an email from a resident who was unhappy with a program.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that she spoke with the resident and apologized for the experience and informed her that staff would be addressing the issues with the vendor.

President Campagnolo reported that she received an email from Alderman Poteraske regarding a resident who was concerned about the trash at Westwood Park. President Campagnolo stated that she has not been able to contact the resident via telephone but that they have been communicating through email and that the resident suggested having a neighborhood team to clean up the parks. She stated that the resident expressed interest in spearheading the effort. President Campagnolo stated that she would provide a report at a future Committee Meeting.

OFFICER REPORTS

- A. **President** – No report.
- B. **Vice President** – No report.
- C. **Secretary** – No report.
- D. **Treasurer** – Commissioner Christensen presented the Treasurer's report ending March 31, 2008.

Commissioner Noverini made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Jablonski to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month ending March 31, 2008.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Noverini, Jablonski, Christensen, Campagnolo

NAYS: None

President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No Report.

STAFF REPORTS

- A. **Executive Director/SEASPAR**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that Phase 1 of the Community Center is now open. She stated that demolition for Phase 2 will begin on May 5th and that residents should pay attention to the signage when entering the building.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the next Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 28th at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

B. Assistant Director

Assistant Director Katsougris reported that the 1st Moonlight Egg Hunt was held at Sportsplex because of snow outside and that it was a huge success. She thanked Commission Noverini and Commissioner Tikalsky for assisting. She stated that prizes were given in part thanks to the generosity of the following donors: Ty, Inc., Panera Bread (Darien), Tivoli Bowl, Suburbanite Bowl, Jewel-Osco (Darien), Let's Learn (Darien), Hollywood Video (Darien), The Patio Restaurant (Darien), Target (Willowbrook), Jimmy John's Sandwiches (Darien), Frugal Muse (Darien), Fruits Smoothies (Darien), Steak & Shake (Darien). Assistant Director Katsougris reported that the Moonlight Egg Hunt will be indoors again next year.

Assistant Director Katsougris reported that staff began issuing picnic permits for residents and that non-resident permits will be issued on April 15th. She also reported that registration for fall preschool is underway and that there will be an open house on Wednesday, April 16th from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

C. Superintendent of Finance

Superintendent Deldin reported that the Board received a copy of her report.

D. Superintendent of Parks

Superintendent Strickler reported that the Parks Department is busy getting the fields ready for the spring/summer. He stated that all the fields are ready except for the Community Park soccer field because it is under renovation. He announced that it would not be open until May 1st.

E. Sportsplex General Manager

Executive Director Gurgone reported that General Manager Henderson was on vacation. She reported that the Board will see the remainder of the ice contracts at the Committee Meeting.

Commissioner Christensen stated that it was great to hear that there are 30 teams playing spring hockey.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT (for consent agenda)

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Campagnolo moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Jablonski to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

Warrants, February 25, 2008 Committee Meeting Minutes, March 10, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes, 2007-08-10 Amended 08-08 Budget, and the 2008-09-01 Budget & Appropriations Ordinance.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Campagnolo, Jablonski, Christensen, Noverini

NAYS: None

President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Sportsplex Ice Resurfacers Bid Approval

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the District advertised for an ice resurfacers and received one bid for a 2008 Olympia Ice Resurfacers in the amount of \$89,465 from Icemann Arena, Inc. She stated that this is same as the two machines currently in the building and is not intended to replace these, but it is for the new sheet of ice.

Commissioner Christensen moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini to approve the Sportsplex Ice Resurfacers Bid in the amount of \$89,465.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Christensen, Noverini, Campagnolo, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.

B. DYC Fieldhouse Contract Approval for 2008-09

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the DYC indoor soccer contract is for one year from January – March 2009. She reported that the contract includes the hours and playoff time and that if the Board chooses, the no cost for playoff time can be deducted from the total fee of \$41,800.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that in the past DYC was given the playoff times for free during April, which is slower than March.

Commissioner Jablonski asked how long the DYC has been given the playoff times.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that she could only recall the last three years. She reported that their rate changed from \$180 to \$190 but that \$190 is a discount off the prime rate.

Commissioner Jablonski stated that there are issues with the DYC giving time back. He asked if the DYC will be able to use all of the time on the contract.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the DYC will not know about the time until after registration. She recommended placing a stipulation in writing.

Attorney Murphey noted a change to the contract on Page 4 Section 7 to be changed to "Lesser".

Commissioner Jablonski moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Christensen to approve the DYC Fieldhouse Contract for 2008-09 subject to a condition that playoff weekend will be free provided that the DYC does not return back on their other leaseable time.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Jablonski, Christensen, Noverini, Campagnolo

NAYS: None

President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.

C. Sportsplex Get Fast Lease Agreement

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the Board received a copy of the Lease Agreement for Get Fast.

Commissioner Campagnolo moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini to approve the Sportsplex Get Fast Lease Agreement as presented.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Campagnolo, Noverini, Jablonski, Christensen

NAYS: None

President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.

D. Public Comment (before vote)

None.

CLOSED SESSION

A. 2(c)1 – Discussion of compensation of specific employees

B. 2(c)2 – Discussion of salary schedules for one or more classes of employees

At 7:32 p.m. the meeting adjourned into Executive Session.

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS A & B

The meeting reconvened at 7:48 p.m.

Commissioner Campagnolo moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Christensen to approve the salary recommendations #1-5 per the Executive Director's memorandum dated April 14, 2008 and salary scale as recommended.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Campagnolo, Christensen, Noverini, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Jablonski moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini that the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll call vote the Motion was thereby carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Nancy Campagnolo, President
Darien Park District

Ray Jablonski, Secretary
Darien Park District