

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

**August 13, 2007**

**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, James Tikalsky

**ABSENT:** None.

**Staff:** Stephanie Gurgone; Executive Director, Chris Katsougris; Assistant Director, Robert Strickler; Superintendent of Parks, Matt Henderson; Sportsplex General Manager, John Murphey; Attorney

**Guests:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

President Campagnolo reported that she received an email from a resident regarding Birchwood Park at the Emerson Street entrance. She reported that the resident thanked the staff and that the area looks much better.

President Campagnolo reported that she received an email from Kish Pisani, Neighbors of Darien Magazine asking if the District was interested in publicizing programs in their magazine. She reported that she forwarded the information to staff.

Assistant Director Katsougris reported that she contacted Kish and forwarded the new District address and phone number and information on the upcoming Hoe Down for the next issue.

President Campagnolo stated that she received correspondence along with Commissioner Noverini and Commissioner Tikalsky from a resident expressing his concerns regarding the 3<sup>rd</sup> sheet of ice at Sportsplex. She read the email aloud and stated that she preferred to refrain from responding since she just received the correspondence and that she wished to set up dialog with him.

Executive Director Gurgone stated that there has been very little news coverage regarding the possible 3<sup>rd</sup> sheet of ice. She explained that the District is looking to make additional money for the Sportsplex, and that the plans are still preliminary. Executive Director Gurgone stated that the District has an open dialog with the NYC and that staff is working more closely with the new NYC President. She stated that with the proposed 3<sup>rd</sup> sheet, the NYC will still have a place at Sportsplex.

Commissioner Christensen stated that the 3<sup>rd</sup> sheet of ice should not affect NYC Soccer.

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

- A. President** – None.
- B. Vice President** – No report.
- C. Secretary** – No report.
- D. Treasurer** –Commissioner Christensen presented the Treasurer’s report ending July 31, 2007.

**Commissioner Jablonski made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini to approve the Treasurer’s Monthly Report for the month ending July 31, 2007.**

**Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:**

**AYES: Jablonski, Noverini, Campagnolo, Tikalsky, Christensen**

**NAYS: None**

**President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.**

## **ATTORNEY’S REPORT**

None.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **A. Executive Director/SEASPAR**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that staff has moved to the new community center and Phase 1 is ongoing and hopefully completed by fall. She stated that the new phone number is 968-6400 and that the old number is disconnected with a message forwarding. Executive

Director Gurgone stated that the signage with the new address posted at Marion Hills has been removed but that the new address is 7301 Fairview Avenue.

Executive Director Gurgone stated that a Special Board Meeting may be necessary prior to the August 27<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting.

### **B. Assistant Director**

Assistant Director Katsougris reported that the fall brochure will be mailed to residents August 16<sup>th</sup> with registration beginning on August 27<sup>th</sup>. She reported that a preschool open house will be held on Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> from 10:00 a.m. – noon and 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. for families not currently enrolled to visit the facility and learn more about the program.

Assistant Director Katsougris reported that space is still available for the Horseshoe Casino trip on Wednesday August 15<sup>th</sup>. She reported that the trip will also include the show “Cats” at the Theatre at the Center and also includes a buffet lunch and a \$5 coin voucher. Assistant Director Katsougris reported that the cost is \$58 for residents and \$63 for non-residents and that the deadline is August 14<sup>th</sup>.

President Campagnolo thanked staff for the Concert in the Park. She stated that it was a huge success.

### **C. Superintendent of Finance**

Executive Director Gurgone stated that she would answer any questions.

### **D. Superintendent of Parks**

Executive Director Gurgone stated that Sportsplex staff is being utilized to help out in the parks.

Superintendent Strickler reported that the detention basin at Sportsplex was completed and working.

Commissioner Christensen questioned the drainage issue near Smart Oaks.

Executive Director Gurgone stated that she is awaiting an answer from the City but that the work should be done in house in late fall.

### **E. Sportsplex General Manager**

General Manager Henderson reported that the Darien Soccer Club will not be returning for tournaments. He stated that staff is contacting user groups to buy time. He further stated that they are not returning because they are looking to consolidate both tournaments in a larger facility.

General Manager Henderson reported that staff is preparing the concession stand and that the new vendor will move in this week. He stated that the equipment is in good shape and that the vendor should be up and running by September 1<sup>st</sup>.

General Manager Henderson stated that the Board will review the contract for the Big Bear Tournament (Shoot Out Hockey). He stated that they are from the Detroit area and have agreed to a 3 year contract and that they will host 3 ice hockey tournaments a year between September – March. General Manager Henderson stated that they are a Michigan based organization that he worked with in the past.

General Manager Henderson stated that the Board will also review the contract for the Midwest Elite Hockey also from Michigan.

He reported that the Board received a copy of the new Sportsplex logo and that he appreciated all the input and support from staff. He thanked Tina for her hard work.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT (for consent agenda)**

There was no one in the audience for public comment.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**Warrants, June 25, 2007 Committee Meeting Minutes, and the July 16, 2007 Regular Meeting Minutes.**

**Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:**

**AYES: Jablonski, Christensen, Noverini, Campagnolo, Tikalsky**

**NAYS: None**

**President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. Midwest Elite Hockey League Ice Contract**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that this is a one year contract in the amount of \$24,437.50.

#### **B. Shoot Out Hockey Ice Contract**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that this is a three year contract in the amount of \$50,613.50 yearly or the total contract fee of \$151,840.50.

**C. Announce Beverage RFP**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the beverage contract is approaching the end of its third year with Coke. She stated that staff looked at the old RFP and made some changes and will be issuing a new RFP due October 11<sup>th</sup> for approval in November. The new vendor would begin January 1, 2008. Executive Director Gurgone reported that 50,000 bottles of beverages are purchased throughout the year.

**D. Public Comment (for new business)**

There was no one in the audience for public comment.

**Commissioner Noverini moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Tikalsky to approve the Midwest Elite Hockey League Ice Contract, the Shoot Out Hockey Ice Contract and Announce the Beverage RFP as presented.**

**Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:**

**AYES: Noverini, Tikalsky, Jablonski, Christensen, Campagnolo**

**NAYS: None**

**President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.**

**CLOSED SESSION**

**None.**

**ADJOURN**

**There being no further discussion, Commissioner Jablonski moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Tikalsky that the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll call vote the Motion was thereby carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.**

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Nancy Campagnolo, President  
Darien Park District

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Ray Jablonski, Secretary  
Darien Park District