

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

**June 11, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Campagnolo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in Room 5 of the Marion Hills Community Center, 133 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, Della Deldin; Superintendent of Finance, Robert Strickler;  
Superintendent of Parks, Matt Henderson; Sportsplex General Manager,  
Judith Kolman; Attorney

**Guests:** Gloria Anderson, Darien  
Warren Anderson, Darien  
Heather Anderson, Darien  
Sarah Anderson, Darien  
Jean Starshak, Lemont

President Campagnolo announced the meeting format. She stated that the public comment portion listed as #2 on the agenda was the time to comment on a subject that was not on the agenda. She further stated that the other areas of public comment would only be open to the areas that are being discussed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Gloria Anderson, Darien stated that she attends almost every meeting and was under the impression that the public could speak as the meeting progressed. She stated that she did not understand how she could ask any questions if she did not know what was going to be said.

President Campagnolo stated that there are three areas on the agenda for public comment. She stated that if someone from the public wishes to comment on an item that the Board discussed

but no action was taken, that staff and Commissioners can be contacted by telephone, email or letter. She stated that whenever she receives correspondence from a resident it is publicly addressed.

Ms. Anderson asked when the format changed.

President Campagnolo stated that the agenda was formatted and approved last year.

Ms. Anderson stated that some correspondence is generalized and that she was not comfortable with email.

President Campagnolo stated that if there is something that was stated in a meeting and a resident wishes to comment that it would have to wait until the next meeting or it can be forwarded to staff and/or Board members by email, phone or letter.

Ms. Anderson asked if the format would change.

President Campagnolo stated that the format is set and the areas are highlighted on the agenda for public comment.

#### **A. Maura Carr**

President Campagnolo introduced Ms. Maura Carr a sixth grade student.

Ms. Carr thanked the Board and stated that as part of her sixth grade advanced English class to write a persuasive letter that she contacted the City's Environmental Committee and the Darien Park District inquiring why the plastic bottles at Sportsplex are not being recycled.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that after receiving Ms. Carr's letter, staff determined that a large number of sports bottles are sold and thrown away at Sportsplex. She reported that the garbage service was contacted and that recycling will begin as soon as the containers are delivered to Sportsplex. She stated that once the District moves into Fairview that they too will be recycling.

Ms. Carr asked when the containers will be available.

Superintendent Strickler reported that the dumpster arrived at Sportsplex and that they are awaiting the containers.

President Campagnolo thanked Ms. Carr for her idea and initiative.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that correspondence was received regarding a complaint with the Friday night softball league. She reported that the individual was contacted and informed that schedules are distributed weekly and that the issue was resolved.

President Campagnolo reported that she received an email from a student interested in summer employment at the District. She reported that the email was forwarded to Executive Director Gurgone and that she contacted the student stating that all the positions were filled and that if there is still interest next year that the District should be contacted in the early spring. President Campagnolo reported that she received an email from a resident regarding the woodchips at Hinsbrook Park. She reported that Superintendent Strickler contacted the resident and informed her that the wood chips will be spread by the end of the week. President Campagnolo also stated that she emailed the resident as well and provided her with staff's phone number.

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

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

**Commissioner Noverini made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Tikalsky to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month ending May 31, 2007.**

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

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

**NAYS: None**

**President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.**

## **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

None.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

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

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the Fairview documents are completed and the money will be wired tomorrow to the school district. She reported that the school district is moving out and that the District's six week move will begin next week.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that emails were assigned to the newly elected Commissioners.

President Campagnolo reported that a letter was received from the Lombardo family thanking Mrs. Jean Starshak and her staff for providing their children a positive beginning to their formal education. She congratulated the staff for their outstanding work and dedication.

## **B. Assistant Director**

Assistant Director Katsougris reported that the first Concert in the Park is scheduled for Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. featuring “Impact of Brass” at Darien Community Park. She further reported that the Outdoor Flea Market will be held on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Darien Community Park and that there are 30 sellers registered so far.

Assistant Director Katsougris reported that the first ever Movie in the Park will be held on Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup> featuring “Night at the Museum”. She reported that the free event will begin at 8:30 p.m. at Darien Community Park.

Assistant Director Katsougris reported that Preschool will be having an Open House on Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Marion Hills Recreation Center. She also reported that there were limited openings for the Mississippi Belle trip on Wednesday June 27<sup>th</sup>.

Assistant Director Katsougris reported that the deadline to register for the July 10<sup>th</sup> trip to Shipshewana is June 26<sup>th</sup> and the cost is \$69 for residents and \$74 for non-residents.

## **C. Superintendent of Finance**

Superintendent Deldin reported that she will be distributing the Sportsplex April and May financials at the next meeting.

## **D. Superintendent of Parks**

Superintendent Strickler reported that staff is working at Elizabeth Ide School removing the old playground equipment. He further reported that the aerators were installed at Southgrove Park Pond and that positive feedback was received.

Superintendent Strickler reported that the bike path for Dupage County began and that they will be installing 2” of asphalt surface for the path. He stated that he has informed Darien Fest that they will not be able to drive on most of the path during the Fest because the weight of the trucks will crush and destroy the path. He further stated that he met with the City to discuss the bike path and that a 30 ft. section will be designated and marked for Darien Fest trucks to move across the path. Superintendent Strickler stated that the maintenance of the path will be the responsibility of the City.

Superintendent Strickler reported that the playground at Fairview has been torn down and that the excavation will begin to install the new equipment. He further reported that seal coating will be done in the parking lots at Smart Oaks Park, Community Park and Meyers Woods Park.

Commissioner Christensen asked if staff has received any more bids on the concrete work.

Superintendent Strickler reported that he received one other bid but he was awaiting reference calls.

President Campagnolo stated that she enjoyed reading Chris Pollack’s report.

**E. Sportsplex General Manager**

General Manager Henderson reported that Sportsplex received positive feedback from the recent PDRMA review. He stated that the report will be received within the next few weeks. He thanked his staff for all their hard work to get things completed.

General Manager Henderson reported that five interested parties requested the Concession Stand RFP. He stated that the bids are due on Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup> and that staff will bring a recommendation to the June 25<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting.

General Manager Henderson reported that the new paintball program is doing well and that staff is evaluating if it is something to have long term.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (for consent agenda)**

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**Warrants and the May 21, 2007 Board Meeting Minutes.**

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

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

**NAYS: None**

**President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Prevailing Wage Ordinance**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that this is the annual ordinance required by law.

**Commissioner Christensen moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini to approve Prevailing Wage Ordinance 2007-08-02.**

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

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

**NAYS: None**

**President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.**

**B. Award Sportsplex Ice Plant Service Contract**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that three companies requested bid specs: Cimco, RMC, and Oak Brook Mechanical, but only two returned bids.

General Manager Henderson reported that RMC Inc. quoted an annual rate of \$34,898 and Cimco an annual rate of \$19,025 both for a 3 year contract.

**Commissioner Noverini moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Christensen to award the bid to Cimco in the amount not to exceed \$20,000 per year.**

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

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

**NAYS: None**

**President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.**

**C. Phone System for Fairview**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the Board received staff's recommendation for a new phone system. She reported that Fairview currently has a phone system but that the School District is taking it with them. She further reported that staff's recommendation is to use the same vendor and put in the same phone system that was installed last year at Sportsplex to keep the parts and phones interchangeable. Executive Director Gurgone stated that the quote includes the system, 18 phones, installation, and a one year warranty from Sellaphonic Communications, Inc. in the amount of \$16,563. She also stated that if 18 phones are not needed the amount will be adjusted.

**Commissioner Campagnolo moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Jablonski to approve the Fairview phone system to Sellaphonic Communications, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$16, 563.**

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

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

**NAYS: None**

**President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.**

**D. Fairview Phase 1 Project Expenditure**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the Board received the report from Energy Systems Group regarding some of the Phase 1 projects at Fairview. She stated that the items include all of the major projects that need to be completed over the summer. Executive Director Gurgone stated that the preschool walls will be temporary walls and that these are needed to be separated for security for the preschool program. She stated that the fitness room walls will be permanent and are necessary in order to keep the noise contained.

Executive Director Gurgone stated that in addition, the proposal also includes installing a dance floor, alarm system, security system and a gymnasium divider. She stated that staff's

recommendation is an amount not to exceed \$130,000 which includes training and technical support.

**Commissioner Christensen moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Campagnolo to approve the Fairview Phase 1 projects in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.**

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

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

**NAYS: None**

**President Campagnolo declared the motion carried.**

**E. Annual Volunteer Recognition**

President Campagnolo honored the volunteers who assisted the Darien Park District in various capacities over the year. She announced that there were 61 volunteers and dozens of Darien Lions Club members who gave selflessly of their time. There was a reception following the Board Meeting.

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

**CLOSED SESSION**

None.

**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 8:08 p.m.**

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Nancy Campagnolo, President  
Darien Park District

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Ray Jablonski, Secretary  
Darien Park District