

The June 17, 2009 meeting of the Dundee Township Park District Board of Commissioners held at the Randall Oaks Golf Course Clubhouse was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Frank Scarpelli. Commissioners responding to roll call were: John Meschewski, Erin O'Leary, Craig Rakow, and Frank Scarpelli. Jim Bonkoski was not present for roll call but he arrived at 7:02 p.m.

#### Consent Agenda

Approval of Items to be Considered for Consent Agenda – Meschewski made a motion with a second by Rakow to approve the Items to be Considered for Consent Agenda to include: Approval of June 3, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes, Budget Report, Payment of Bills, and June Personnel List. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Approval of Consent Agenda – Meschewski made a motion with a second by O'Leary to approve the June 17, 2009 Consent Agenda. The motion passed 5 to 0.

#### Staff Reports

Superintendent of Finance Greg Gannon reviewed the May 31, 2009 financial report with the Board. Rich Rosenbaum will start the audit on July 13<sup>th</sup>. There are still some connectivity issues with the system between Randall Oaks and the Administration building. Scarpelli inquired if there were money market funds available to invest in. Gannon stated that the money market rates are very low right now.

Superintendent of Parks Mark Simon reported that staff is battling weeds throughout the various park locations. He hopes staff will catch up with the spraying for weed control by the end of the week. The community shelter and restrooms were painted. Work has started on the concrete apron at the back shelter. A small patio with a fire ring will be constructed. The barns at Randall Oaks Park have been repainted and updated with carpentry work. A pair of emus were donated to the zoo. Staff has assisted the aquatics department in getting the pools ready to open. The concession stand at Dolphin Cove was painted and countertops were replaced. The ceiling in the guard room was replaced. A leak between the pump room and the slides was fixed. Staff painted at Sleepy Hollow Pool and some plumbing fixtures were replaced. The display beds at Lions Park were replanted along Route 68. New landscaping is being done at the Boys and Girls Club at Morningside.

Assistant Director Don Kappel stated that staff prepared the Prevailing Wage Ordinance that will be presented for approval later in the meeting. The Bonnie Dundee liquor license renewal application was submitted to the Village of East Dundee. Work continues on the Austin Park easement with the Village of Carpentersville. The land cash reports were submitted to the Villages of East and West Dundee and Carpentersville. Kappel has been working on the Randall Oaks Master Plan and another meeting will be held next week to finalize the plan. He has been working on trying to collect restitution for the damages at Grandview Park and has submitted a cost estimate to the insurance company for review.

Work continues on the PDRMA audit and the Brunner Agreement. A new law became effective June 1<sup>st</sup> regarding dependent's health insurance coverage and Kappel has been researching how this will affect the Park District. The District's health insurance renewal period is coming up and documents were submitted to the District's broker for review.

#### Citizens to be Heard

Walter Geisler, President of the Dundee Township 50 Plus Club, stated he is present to discuss some concerns of the Club with the possible change in name of the Senior Center. He stated he has received many comments from Club members about the proposed name change. He contacted Park District Executive Director Tom Mammoser and asked him to address the Club at their meeting. Mammoser attended the April 8<sup>th</sup> meeting and made a presentation about the name change and took questions and comments. The majority of the Club members feel there is no need for a name change. There was an article in the newspapers about the matter that he felt misrepresented the majority of the senior's opinions. He contacted the newspaper to try to get some resolution to the matter. He does not understand why the name will be changed when it is the overwhelming wish of the seniors to leave the name as it is. He wants to know who initiated the name change. All the board members of the 50+ Club are against the name change.

Executive Director Mammoser explained the rationale behind the decision to possibly change the name of the senior center. In 2003 when construction of a new senior center was being considered, the District discussed possibly changing the name. There was a significant amount of resistance by the seniors to change the location of the center from the old location at the Besinger center. Therefore, the District opted at that point to not change the name of the center. As it turned out, the new location has been very well accepted by the seniors. The senior center provides programs, trips and services for older adults. Programs offered at the center are available to adults 50 years and over. By changing the name of the senior center, the District's hope is that more older adults will consider utilizing the programs and services offered through the center. The District wants the general public to be aware that it is serving all older adults, not just those who would classify themselves as seniors. The current programs and services offered through the center will not be diminished, they may in fact be enhanced by increased awareness and interest in the services offered. The current hours that the center is available for programs and services for older adults will also remain the same, with the possibility of increased hours if necessary. Staff levels for services will also remain the same. The Park District is committed to offering programs and services for older adults. The District has one of the finest centers for adult programming in the area. The staff is excellent and have a very good rapport with their users. The center has a long standing and positive history of investing in programs and facilities for older adults.

Mr. Geisler stated that he and the seniors do not believe the term "senior" has a negative connotation and he doubts that by changing the name it will draw any more people to the

center.

Scarpelli stated that the senior center name change has not been discussed much at the Board level, and has been mostly staff generated. Staff has been trying to find ways to serve additional people. He believes the District has a very good senior center staff who are concerned about finding more ways to serve those people that the District is not serving.

Bonkoski asked Geisler what the main opposition to the name change was and Geisler replied that the 50+ Club members like the name senior center and feel there is absolutely no reason to change the name of the center.

#### Boys and Girls Club Presentation – Curt McReynolds

Mammoser introduced Mike Berger, Curt McReynolds, Amalia Wolf, and Michelle Richie. Mammoser stated that the Park District is proud to be affiliated with the Boys and Girls Club. Mammoser explained that the key element of the Club is the staff and they work together as a very good team.

McReynolds stated that last November Club staff compiled a list of names of local organizations to approach for funding. The Club raised over \$32,000 from the community. Some of the funding came from the Club Board of Directors. Staff also pledged \$2700. McReynolds presented the Park District with a plaque in appreciation of their \$75,000 donation to the Club.

Mike Berger stated that he believes the Park District has been a major reason that the Club has been successful. The Club is starting to see success stories coming back from kids that were impacted by the Club years back in 1997 when the Club was formed.

#### Director's Report

Paul Knox Golf Outing June 26, 2009 – Mammoser reported that the outing will be held on Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at the Randall Oaks Golf Course. It will be a double shot gun, with tee times at 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Lunch and dinner are provided. This is the largest annual fundraising event for the Boys and Girls Club. Typically there are over 200 golfers at this event, but numbers are expected to be lower this year. If any Board members are interested in participating, Mammoser asked them to let him know prior to next Tuesday.

Summer Concert and Movies in the Park Series – This Friday will mark the beginning of the concert and movies in the park series. This Friday's concert will be held at Randall Oaks Park. The concert will begin at 5:30 with a local band. At 7:00 p.m. the band "The Surfers" will play. The movie that follows is "The Great Outdoors". On June 26<sup>th</sup> the event will be held at the East Dundee Depot. On

Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, the concert and fireworks will be held at Meadowdale Park. The band will begin at 7:30 p.m. with fireworks to follow at 9:30 p.m. This event will be held in conjunction with the Village of Carpentersville. The events scheduled for July 10, 17, 24 and 31<sup>st</sup> will be held at Grafelman Park. The event on August 7<sup>th</sup> will be at Lions Park.

Legislative Initiative Money/Capital Bill – Mammoser explained that there is been no final action on the legislative initiative money. The District remains hopeful that it will get these funds. This will be very helpful to deal with next year’s capital projects. Mammoser feels that his and Scarpelli’s presence at the Legislative conference in May helped the District’s chances for consideration for the initiative money.

Pump Track Update – Mammoser explained that last night Assistant Director Jim Miller and representatives from the Camber Group made a presentation to the Carpentersville Village Board. They reviewed the pump track concept and asked if the board was open to entering into a lease with the Park District on the land just west of the fire station on Cleveland Avenue. The board had several questions, but were in full support of the pump track. They directed Village Manager Craig Anderson to work with the Park District on a lease.

Parkology Newsletter – A copy of the inaugural issue of Parkology was included in the Board packets. The Commissioner who was elected to a third term on the Park Board was highlighted in the issue. Employees who have come on staff with the District over the past year were also highlighted. Mammoser hopes the newsletter will be printed on a quarterly basis.

#### President’s Report

None.

#### Old Business

None.

#### New Business

Prevailing Wage Ordinance – Mammoser explained that annually the District must approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance with the current wages as supplied by the Illinois Department of Labor.

Rakow made a motion with a second by Meschewski to approve Ordinance #09-04, An Ordinance Adopting Prevailing Wage Rates to be Paid to Laborers, Mechanics and Other Workers Performing Construction of Public Works for the Dundee Township Park District. The motion passed 5 to 0.

July 1, 2009 Board Meeting – Mammoser suggested that the Board consider holding the July 1<sup>st</sup> meeting at the Recreation Center and begin the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Bonkoski made a motion with a second by Meschewski to move the July 1, 2009 Board meeting to the Recreation and Fitness Center and start the meeting at 6:00 p.m. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Virginia Graeme Baker Act – Mammoser reported that he received a call yesterday from Gloria Carr with the Elgin Courier Newspaper regarding an article she is writing regarding the Virginia Graeme Baker Act. This act was passed on a national level and relates to swimming pool drains. The act requires all swimming pools to conform to the act. The specifics of the act are challenging and each pool the District has, contains a different drain system. The parts necessary to conform to the act need to be retrofitted to the pools. The District is working with an engineering company on getting the parts designed and built. PDRMA has stated that as long as the District is in the process of taking action to address the situation we will be okay. Mammoser referred Ms. Carr to PDRMA for any further questions or explanation she may require.

#### Approval of Executive Session Minutes

Meschewski made a motion with a second by Bonkoski to approve the Executive Session Minutes from June 3, 2009. The motion passed 5 to 0.

#### Additional New Business

None.

#### Adjourn Meeting

Meschewski made a motion with a second by Bonkoski to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 5 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.