

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
CLARENDON HILLS PARK DISTRICT BOARD
COMMUNITY CENTER – 315 CHICAGO AVENUE
November 23, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Johnson.

The roll call was as follows:

Present: Carlsen, Johnson, Lithgow and Staab

Absent: Austin**

**Commissioner Austin entered the meeting at 7:02pm

Other Officials Present: Donald Scheltens, Executive Director
Lee Howard, Treasurer
Kathleen Forzley, Secretary

Approval of Consent Agenda

President Johnson inquired if the Board had any changes or additions to the minutes. There being none, President Johnson requested a motion to approve the consent agenda. Whereupon, on motion by Commissioner Staab, seconded by Commissioner Carlsen, the consent agenda was approved. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Staab, Carlsen, Johnson, and Lithgow
Nays: None
Absent: Austin

Committee Reports

Recreation Committee

Commissioner Austin informed the Board that the Winter/Spring brochure was delivered and that the brochure contained eight additional pages of programming. Ski lessons are all filled. The Clarendon Courier would be running an ad advertising upcoming January programs. She also informed the Board that the Christmas Walk was on Friday, December 4th, and the Santa Train was on Saturday, December 5th. As the Santa Train filled the first week, the Park District was offering Lunch with Santa on Sunday, December 20th as another opportunity for the children to see Santa. Also coming up was the seniors Holiday Luncheon on Tuesday, December 15th.

Maintenance/Safety Committee

Commissioner Carlsen informed the Board that the sled hills were in place and work would begin on the ice rinks.

Aquatics Committee

Commissioner Lithgow had nothing to report.

Finance/Personnel Committee

President Johnson proposed a supplemental payment to IMRF, in the amount of \$25,000; which would come out of the Recreation fund. After discussion, the Board agreed that it was a good financial decision to continue to fund the pension fund. Whereupon, on motion by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Lithgow, the motion to approve a supplemental payment to IMRF in the amount of \$25,000 was approved. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Austin, Lithgow, Staab, Johnson, and Carlsen
Nays: None
Absent: None

Because of the supplemental payment to IMRF, President Johnson explained that it was necessary to amend the Appropriation Ordinance for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2016. He requested a motion to approve Ordinance 2015-05, an Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016. Whereupon, on motion by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Lithgow, the Ordinance was approved. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Austin, Lithgow, Carlsen, Johnson, and Staab
Nays: None
Absent: None

Treasurer Lee Howard presented four different Levy options for Board discussion. He explained that the Park District would not capture tax dollars from new growth unless the Park District included these numbers in the levy. The Board agreed that it would not be fiscally responsible not to capture the new growth, but all agreed that they did not want to raise taxes.

During the Board discussion, Commissioner Lithgow exited the meeting at 7:45pm. He returned at 8:11pm.

After extensive discussion, the Board agreed to move forward with an increase of approximately 1.6 percent, of which 1% would be new growth. Whereupon, on motion by Commissioner Lithgow, seconded by Commissioner Austin, Resolution R-2015-04, a Resolution Determining the Amounts to be Levied for the year 2015 was approved. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Lithgow, Austin, Johnson, and Staab
Nays: None
Absent: Carlsen**

**Commissioner Carlsen exited the meeting at 8:25pm.

President's Report

President Johnson informed the Board that the December Board meeting was scheduled for Monday, December 14th at 7:00pm. The Levy Ordinance would need to be approved at that meeting and filed with the county the next day.

There being no further information to come before this meeting, it was, motion by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Lithgow, adjourned at 8:46pm by voice vote.

Secretary
