

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
CLARENDON HILLS PARK DISTRICT BOARD
COMMUNITY CENTER – 315 CHICAGO AVENUE
August 24, 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: Austin, Carlsen, Johnson, Lithgow and Staab

Absent: None

Other Officials Present: Donald Scheltens, Executive Director
Kathleen Forzley, Secretary
Mike Fletcher, Superintendent of Parks
Kelly Smith, Superintendent of Recreation
Stevie Michell, Recreation Supervisor
Laura Reinke, Recreation Supervisor
Derrick Martin, V3 Companies

President Johnson moved to Agenda Item 7(a) and introduced the Clarendon Hills Historical Society. Historical Society President Diane Hiller introduced the Board of the Historical Society and gave the Board a history of the society and how it was formed. She further informed the Board that Heritage Hall had sustained a fire due to arson, and lost many of their historical artifacts, but they were working to restore the building and whatever was salvaged in the fire.

Resident and Parks Foundation President, John Steeves, informed the Board that the Historical Society wanted to make improvements to Heritage Hall and were looking to the Park District for permission to pose a Museum Tax referendum to the residents. The Historical Society believed that the interest for a museum was there, and asked the Park District Board to pose the question to the public and let them decide.

The Board discussed the proposed changes that would occur with the Park District running the museum as opposed to the Historical Society, as the curator would be an employee of the Park District. Also, any improvements to Heritage Hall would involve hiring contractors who will pay prevailing wages, and would involve a bid process. The Park District insurance provider, PDRMA, may also require additional safety features in the building that are not currently being required by the Village of Clarendon Hills.

The Board agreed that many more questions needed to be answered before proceeding with the referendum possibility. Executive Director Don Scheltens recommended to the Board to move forward with obtaining two cost estimates for the necessary environmental and engineering studies; and over the next few months the Board should focus on a 5-year plan; focusing on the master plan and projects that the Board would like to move forward with.

President Johnson thanked the Historical Society for their presentation.

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 Austin, seconded by Commissioner Lithgow, the consent agenda was approved. The roll call was as follows:

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

Committee Reports

Maintenance/Safety Committee

President Johnson moved to Agenda Item 5(d-2) and asked Derrick Martin, V3 Companies to give an update on the Hosek drainage issues, namely two properties on Ruby Street that have problems with pooling water in their yard. Mr. Ewing had hired a company to survey his property and had come up with a solution to channel the pooling water away from his property. He is planning to install a storm water drainage line from his backyard and connect to the current storm water line in Hosek Park. He was attending this meeting to ask the Board's permission to tap into the storm water line in Hosek Park. Upon approval, Mr. Ewing needed to provide the Village with proof that the Park District would allow him to tie in to the Park District's storm water system. After discussion, the Board agreed to allow Mr. Ewing to connect to the current storm water line in Hosek Park, pending approval and permits from the Village and the Park District's engineer. Mr. Ewing would bear the cost of this project. The Board agreed that the agreement would only allow a resident to drain water from their yard into the District's storm water line, and at no time would water be allowed from a resident's sump pump or downspouts into the District's water line. The Park District would incur the attorney fees for drawing up the agreement. There being no further discussion, Commissioner Lithgow made a motion to approve the agreement, contingent on the approval of the Park District's attorney. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Austin. The roll call was as follows:

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

Mr. Kielty, also on Ruby Street, informed the Board that he had obtained an engineer to do a study and draw up a possible solution to the drainage issues on his property. The Board agreed to wait for the results of the engineering study before moving forward.

Commissioner Carlsen informed the Board that the Walker Project has moved along satisfactorily.

Finance/Personnel Committee

Commissioner Lithgow informed the Board that Treasurer Lee Howard would be at the September Board Meeting to present the summer financial report.

Aquatics Committee

Commissioner Austin informed the Board that the pool was on “Back to School” reduced hours. Laura Reinke, Recreation Supervisor told the Board that all programming was finished. The pool was open only for open swim, and has been very slow. Final pool numbers would be available in October, when all bills were in.

Executive Director Scheltens presented to the Board two bids for the painting of the pool, dive well, plunge pool, and splash pad, as well as replacing the caulk. He was recommending that the Board accept the low bid of \$38,300 from Alpha Paintworks, Incorporated. Superintendent of Parks, Mike Fletcher, informed the Board that the Park District had worked with this company before and were pleased with their work. After no more discussion, President Johnson requested a motion to approve the low bid of \$38,300 from Alpha Paintworks, Incorporated for the painting of the Lions Park Pool. Whereupon on motion by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Carlsen, the motion and bid were approved. The roll call was as follows:

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

Recreation Committee

Commissioner Austin informed the Board that the Suburban-athalon will take place on Saturday, September 12th. The Annual Family Fall Fest would take place in Prospect Park on Saturday, September 19th.

Kelly Smith, Superintendent of Recreation, informed the Board that fall registrations were going well, particularly travel basketball, which added a 6th grade team. The recreation staff was in the process of beginning the winter-spring brochure. The movie in the park was moved to a new location due to the size of the screen, and was very well attended. She also informed the Board that the Village approved the temporary liquor license for the September 19th, Family Fall Fest.

Commissioner Austin introduced to the Board, Stevie Michell, Recreation Supervisor. She began working with the Park District on June 15th, and spoke to the Board of her previous Park District experience.

Liaison Reports

SEASPAR Liaison

Superintendent of Recreation, Kelly Smith informed the Board that the annual SEASPAR Golf Outing was being held on Friday, September 11th at the Village Greens in Woodridge. SEASPAR was looking for additional foursomes.

Village of Clarendon Hills

Executive Director Don Scheltens informed the Board that he had a tentative meeting with the Village Manager to discuss the Hosek Park storm water issues.

School District 181

Superintendent of Recreation Kelly Smith and Recreation Supervisor Stevie Michell had met with CHMS Principal Sontag to discuss the possibility of additional after-school programming.

President's Report

President Johnson informed the Board that he would like to change the Committee assignments to Liaisons and asked each Commissioner to inform him of their top two choices for liaison.

There being no further information to come before this meeting, it was, motion by Commissioner Lithgow, seconded by Commissioner Staab, adjourned at 9:30pm by voice vote.

Secretary
