

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE GOLF MAINE PARK DISTRICT  
MAINE TOWNSHIP, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2010**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Yesner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Roll was called:

Present: Bailey, Johnson, Morrison, Yesner    Absent: Peckler

**3. VISITORS**

There were no visitors present

**4. CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Remove Item 8c

Move Item 7c: NRPA Minneapolis to 8c

Add new item 8d: Preliminary Audit

Commissioner Bailey moved to approve the changes to the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Morrison.

Roll was called:                    Ayes: Bailey, Johnson, Morrison, Yesner    Absent: Peckler

**5. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Bailey moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Morrison.

Roll was called:                    Ayes: Bailey, Johnson, Morrison, Yesner    Absent: Peckler

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

**ADMINISTRATION** (submitted by Bret Fahnstrom, Director):

- Water Spray Park: For the October board meeting, staff will supply the board with a detailed report on the Water Spray Park for the 2010 season.
- PARC Grants: At this point, I have 6 projects ready for submittal including Security System (both parks), Renovation of field #3 to a soccer pitch, changing the playground at Dee Park from chips to a poured surface (which is also ADA compliant), Dee Park field lights updated, Dee Park facility interior lights, and work done on the parking lots at Feldman and Dee Park. I spoke with a DNR representative on Tuesday, September 14, he mentioned that all preparation work was completed and that they were only waiting on the state to release funds. He explained that once the announcement is made, there will be a 30-45 day application process and then project awards.
- The auditor was in Monday and Tuesday, September 13-14. I will have updated timelines on the audit once they are finished.
- NRPA is approaching (October 25-29). Mike, Lamont and I will be leaving early Tuesday morning and coming back Friday.
- A nearby condo association will again be using the Feldman Parking lot as an overflow lot for two weeks while their parking lot will be getting resealed.

**RECREATION** (submitted by Stacey Greenfield, Superintendent of Recreation):

- The summer 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball season concluded on Sunday August 29. The season overall was a success and the games were exciting. Our Fall 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade basketball league has a clinic scheduled for Sunday September 19.
- At the end of last month another school year started. Once again the district is offering before and after school child care at the three district elementary schools. The district is also offering kindergarten care at Apollo School for kids in morning kindergarten. Kindergarten kids from Mark Twain and Stevenson Schools are bused to Apollo for child care.
- Leagues and classes from adult and youth dance to cricket are scheduled to start throughout the month. There are several new classes, leagues and workshops that are being offered for the first time in the new brochure. Some of the things being offered are Adult Short Sided Soccer League, Jelly Bean youth sport classes and Amazing Simplicity of Meditaion.
- Preschool classes started the week of Labor Day. Just like last year, the classes are filled to a capacity of 18 in both the morning and afternoon. The districts preschool teachers are once again Goska Milewski and Mariola Wlodkowska.
- While our cricket field continues to draw rentals for the month of September, we will also be starting the first session of our youth cricket class Wednesday September 15. We have 8 kids registered for our first session. Our cricket class is also offered to residents of the Morton Grove Park District who can sign up through them, but will take the class here at Dee Park with us.
- Summer Camp: For the October board meeting, staff will supply the board with a detailed report on the 2010 summer camp.
- The summer 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball season is underway. This season there are five teams and the games so far have been very competitive. Last season we ran 4-6 grade in the summer and had 4 teams with 38 players. This year we have 5 teams and 49 players.
- Last week was the final week of camp. This year, for the first eight weeks of camp we averaged 50.5 kids per session. The "extra" ninth week of camp that we ran for the first time had a total of 35 kids. Camp went really well, we had a great bunch of kids and staff.
- Our cricket field continues to get recognition, as almost the entire month of August is being rented out for various night tournaments amongst different cricket organizations. Josh has been regularly renting out the cricket pitch this year. In addition to ACC rental for their season, he has had several other week-long and shorter rentals.
- National Night Out was a tremendous event as everyone really pitched in for the community. This year, GMPD took over the games which included a balloon stomp, parachute games and water balloon toss to the usual list of activities.
- On July 16 the band Waterhouse entertained a nice sized crowd with a concert. We estimated that there were as high as 125 people at one time around the gazebo and park area. Many people who were just passing through stopped for a song or two and even some danced.
- The WSP has continued to see a steady use by the community. Josh will compile the participation and revenue numbers after the season is over in September. The WSP was free during the day of National Night Out and was heavily used. It is scheduled to close on Labor Day, September 6 and is free all day.

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS** (submitted by Bret Fahnstrom, Director):

- I had four organizations at the pre-bid meeting for the mold remediation on Tuesday, September 7. Three of the organizations submitted proposals. I have sent the information to Tressler LLP for review. The low bid (Holian Asbestos Removal and Encapsulation Corp.) of \$4,700 was only \$95 less than the next. TEM has worked with both companies and has had excellent results from both. TEM had estimated about \$7,500 so I am very happy to see these proposals. Seeing the timelines and the building usage next week, I anticipate being able to mobilize starting Monday, September 20.
- I spoke with the project manager from Construction solutions of Illinois. We discussed their status for project starting. As with the Mold Remediation, I believe it looks like actually mobilization will now start on Tuesday, September 21 also. They will start with the exteriors while the mold is being remediated and when completed, will move inside and eventually to the carpets.

**SECURITY** (submitted by Bret Fahnstrom, Director):

- Both Dee and Feldman Parks have been quiet lately. There has been nothing other to report at these facilities. Security will be going down to one staff per night in October.

**7. UNFINISHED or CONTINUING BUSINESS**

a. Legislative Update

1. PARC Grants

Director Fahnstrom spoke about the PARC Grants. Hope to find out by the end of the month. The district has six projects ready to roll if awarded grants.

2. 2011 Election Information

Three board members are up for reelection in 2011. Commissioners Johnson and Yesner are up for six year terms and Commissioner Morrison is up for a two year term to finish a term. Candidates can now start to secure signatures for the April 5, 2011 election. The deadline for collecting signatures is December 13 and submittal of information from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> of December.

b. Construction and/or Remodeling

1. Mold Remediation

Commissioner Morrison made a motion to ratify the staff recommendation to award the contract for the Golf Maine Park District mold remediation project to Holian Asbestos Removal and Encapsulation Corp with a winning bid of \$4097.  
Seconded by Commissioner Johnson

Roll was called:       Ayes: Bailey, Johnson, Morrison, Yesner   Absent: Peckler

2. Feldman Park Windows

Work has started on the project of fixing the windows at Feldman Park.

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Snow Removal & Salting Services**

The district is contracted with DBA Pat's Snow Removal. It was indicated that salt prices will be the same as they were last year. Director Fahnstrom recommended to stay with Pat's based on this information.

b. Call for Special Meeting on October 5, 2010 to pass General Obligation Limited Park Bonds, Series 2010.

**c. NRPA Conference**

Director Fahnstrom is recommending the possibility of canceling the district's participation at the 2010 NRPA Conference in Minneapolis due to financial considerations. The board was in consensus that this was a good adjustment.

**d. Preliminary Audit**

Director Fahnstrom reported that the district is not in the positive financial position it thought it was previously. The bonding agent called to discuss some red flags which were raised while reviewing the previous audit. These flags are a cause for concern for the rollover bonds.

Director Fahnstrom is working on potential short and long term solutions. The district has an independent accountant working on treasurers reports and reviewing overall accounting. Some solutions include raising rental rates and budget cuts.

Commissioner Yesner made a motion to put together a three or four person finance committee. Seconded by Commissioner Morrison.

Roll was called: Ayes: Bailey, Johnson, Morrison, Yesner Absent: Peckler

Commissioner Yesner suggests talking to one other bonding company in case the district needs to approve another bond come October 5.

Consensus from board to reopen old audits if need be.

**9. CLOSED SESSION**

None

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Morrison.

Voice Vote: 4 ayes Absent: Peckler

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

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Minutes Approved

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Mike Yesner  
President

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Bret Fahnstrom  
Secretary