

Regular Meeting
July 25, 2011

At the call of the President, Brett Gould, the Joliet Park District Board of Commissioners met for a Regular Meeting in the Board Room of the Provena Saint Joseph Inwood Athletic Club, 3000 West Jefferson Street, Joliet, IL. The meeting began at 5:00p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice President Condon

Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Gould, Condon, Marcum, Albritton

Commissioners Absent: Schultz

President Gould received consent of the Board of move up Item D. Opportunity for the Public to Speak to the first agenda item. He then asked if there was anyone from the public who wanted to address the Board.

Deputy Chief Mike Trafton addressed the Board. He said as a private citizen, he uses our facilities and compliments them. As Deputy Chief, he wanted to let the Board know what a wonderful staff the Park District has. He appreciates the cooperation he gets from the Park District's Board and staff. Next week the Joliet Police Department will host National Night Out Against Crime, using Joliet Memorial Stadium for this community event. He completed his statement by saying that he appreciates the partnership between the Joliet Police Department and the Joliet Park District.

A. Approval of the minutes of Regular Meeting of June 27, 2011

A motion was made by Commissioner Albritton, seconded by Commissioner Marcum, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 27, 2011. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor

Nays: None

B.

Approval of the bills, payroll and petty cash for the month of June, 2011

Commissioner Marcum made a motion to approve the bills, payroll and petty cash for the month of June 2011. His motion was seconded by Vice President Condon.

Vice President Condon asked if the Park District is under contract with DeGroat Petroleum for fuel delivery at our facilities. Executive Director Dominic Egizio advised that DeGroat supplies gas for our above ground tanks and our fleet and for resale at Joliet Regional Airport. We do use Will DuPage Farm Service at a few locations as well as other suppliers. Vice President Condon asked if there is a way to make sure they are competitive and Business Manager Steve Bixenmann advised that staff can spot check this. Mr. Egizio added that we do not purchase a large amount of gas and DeGroat is very easy to work with. When the price of gas is going to increase, they notify us so we can fill our tanks ahead of time.

Vice President Condon asked if the Park District uses Elliott Electric for all Park District electrical work. Mr. Egizio advised specific projects are bid out and incidentals are not. If the incidental work that needs to be done is at the Inwood Athletic Club, we use Elliott because they built the building. The particular invoice in question was for Elliott Electric did in conjunction with Commonwealth Edison to get 600 amp service for the trailer at Joliet Memorial Stadium. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor
Nays: None

C. Treasurer's Report for the month of June, 2011

Mr. Bixenmann gave the Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2011 as follows:

Cash on hand at the beginning of the month:	\$ 55,395.90
Total Receipts during month:	\$5,868,277.35
Total Disbursements during month:	\$5,172,032.66
Cash on hand at end of month:	\$ 751,640.59
Total Investments:	\$6,033,947.76
Total Cash and Investments:	\$6,785,588.35

Vice President Condon asked what bonds are affected by the Funds Transferred line item on the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Bixenmann said it is predominately the bond that was sold in February to pay for capital.

President Gould asked if the activity from this year's Taste of Joliet is included in his report. Mr. Bixenmann said most of the revenue is included. The expenses will be reported when all costs are in. He continued that are finances are little better off than this time last year.

A motion was made by Vice President Condon, seconded by Commissioner Albritton, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2011 as read. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor
Nays: None

D. Opportunity for the Public To Speak - 3 minute time limit

When given the opportunity, no one came forward to address the Board.

E. Communications

1. Executive Director Correspondence

Mr. Egizio advised that we received notification that the grant application we submitted for Pilcher Park was denied. The Park District's Grants Coordinator, Debbie Greene, is in discussions with the grantor to see what changes should be made for a better chance when we will re-apply.

Mr. Egizio reported that he met with Kathleen Farrell from Friends of Community Public Art and Gina Wysocki a couple of weeks ago at the Mission Boulevard soccer fields. They have agreed to move the mosaic to the south side of the parking lot near the foot bridge as was recommended. The final agreement will be presented to the Board for approval at a later meeting.

Mr. Egizio publicly thanked the staff for their hard work at this year's Taste of Joliet. The event was a great success as was the Sundowner 5k race in Pilcher Park. All summer programs are going well as are the golf courses and Splash Station. Mr. Egizio said he is proud of our staff and what we have given to the community this summer.

a. Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Analysis

Mr. Egizio said the Board and staff typically hold a workshop in November. Staff is planning to do this again this year.

In April our cumulative deficit was <\$639,000.00> versus last year's deficit of <\$695,000.00>, and improvement of \$56,000.00. Vice President Condon asked if the money to cover the cash flow comes from the Extraordinary Transfers. Mr. Bixenmann said the Extraordinary Transfers are usually \$100,000 in December and when the budget is approved it is \$100,000 to pay for tradesmen. Vice President Condon said she only wants to be able to know from month to month where our budget deficit is. At the end of June it is \$879,000 to the good.

Splash Station affects our cash flow. Without Splash Station we would have money in the bank at the end of the year. We work hard to keep the budget under control. The things we can control, we do a good job with. We have a broker for our electricity and natural gas so we know what we are going to pay for it. Last year we were able to get into IParks for our insurance and that has a leveling effect. It was Mr. Bixenmann's opinion that we have to get away from weather related things which can be high reward but can also be high risk. Commissioner Marcum asked how much is the waterpark losing and Mr. Bixenmann said \$1.3m since we opened it. Last year we lost \$50k. Staff always budgets events such as Taste of Joliet as break even and then if we make money we are good. Mr. Egizio added that we are very conservative in our revenues.

b. Deputy Chief Mike Trafton

Mr. Trafton addressed the Board earlier in the meeting.

F. Action Items

1. Old Business

None

2. New Business

a. Joliet Memorial Stadium Naming Rights Agreement with ATI

This item was removed from the agenda.

b. Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Joliet for video billboards on Joliet Park District property

Park District Attorney Nick Sakellariou advised that he has provided the Board with a draft agreement to review and anticipated adopting something at the next meeting. Mr. Sakellariou then explained the language and terms in the agreement. Incorporated in the agreement are the conditions that were discussed at the last meeting, including indemnification provisions to hold us harmless in case of any litigation and no advertising by businesses that compete with our sponsors, facilities or programs. The term would be for 4 years initially and then would automatically renew for successive 4 year terms. We would be able to terminate the agreement without cause.

Because of the time constraints that the City of Joliet has with IDOT, Mr. Sakellariou said we could accommodate them by adopting the draft agreement by Resolution in the form presented to the Board, subject to changes by the Park District attorney and the Executive Director. Mr. Sakellariou said he has some legal concerns with regard to private use of public property and that is why our agreement is with the City of Joliet. Vice President Condon asked if the agreement addresses Mr. Sakellariou's concerns and he advised the best clause to address his concerns is the indemnification clause.

Ben Benson, representing the City of Joliet, addressed the Board to request that the term intergovernmental agreement between the City of Joliet and the Joliet Park District match the ten years that the City has with the sign company. Mr. Sakellariou said a ten year agreement would bind future Boards but if this Board chooses, our agreement can be changed to ten years.

Vice President Condon asked if the termination clause is easy to get out of, and Mr. Sakellariou said he is not sure how the city is going to react to some of our termination clauses. President Gould said it was his opinion that we would have to keep the termination clause in the agreement. You could give the full term they are asking for, you could match that initial term. 15 years.

Commissioner Marcum asked how many flips the Park District would receive, and Mr. Sakellariou advised this is something that would have to be worked about between City of Joliet and Park District staff.

There was then further discussion regarding the termination clause, and Mr. Sakellariou recommend the Board approve Resolution #11-130 which would read something similar to: Resolution 11-130 Authorizing an Intergovernmental Licensing Agreement with the City of Joliet for Public Display Sites. Whereas the Board of Commissioners finds it is in the best interest of the Joliet Park District to enter into a public display site licensing agreement with the City of Joliet; and Whereas the Board of Commissioners finds that said public display sites serve a public purpose and provide public benefit in providing for the display of flags, statutes, monuments and similar items that identify the City of Joliet and the Joliet Park District and that said sites further serve a public purpose and provide public benefit by providing electronic messaging which includes directory information, emergency information and programmatic information. Now therefore be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the Joliet Park District as follows: Section 1. The Intergovernmental License Agreement between the Joliet

Park District and the City of Joliet, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby adopted in substantially the form presented with final changes to be approved by the Joliet Park District's attorney and the Executive Director. Section 2. The President and Secretary of the Board of Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Intergovernmental Licensing Agreement. Section 3. The preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval according to law.

A motion was then made by Commissioner Albritton, seconded by Commissioner Marcum, to adopt Resolution #11-130. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor
Nays: None

c. Resolution #11-129 -Alternate School Contract

Mr. Egizio advised the Park District has had an agreement with Joliet Township High School District 204 to provide their alternate school with physical education activities at Hartman Recreation Center. The agreement is for \$12,750.00 per school year.

Commissioner Marcum made a motion to adopt Resolution #11-129. His motion was seconded by Vice President Condon and it carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor
Nays: None

d. Request from The Church of God for use of Parkwood Park

Staff received a request from The Church of God for use of Parkwood Park on three separate dates and for the Board to waive the Park District's ordinance for amplified sound. President Gould asked if the group would have to provide insurance. Mr. Egizio said it will be a small group so we probably would not ask for proof of insurance. Vice President Condon asked if Mr. Egizio had a problem with their request for waiver of the sound ordinance and he said no, the Board has waived this in the past.

Vice President Condon made the motion to approve their request to use the park without amplified sound. Her motion was seconded by Commissioner Albritton and it carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor
Nays: None

e. Request from American Brain Tumor Assoc. for use of Pilcher Park

Mr. Egizio advised this group will hold a walk again this year in Pilcher Park. They have requested the Park District to waive the pavilion fee again this year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Albritton, seconded by Commissioner Marcum, to approve the request for pavilion fee waiver. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor
Nays: None

f. Marketing Proposal for Route 59 & Caton Farm Road property

This proposal, discussed at the Board's last meeting, is from NAI Hiffman to assist us in selling the corner property at Wedgewood Golf Course. The Park District has requested proposals in the past with no response. The broker would receive 6% commission on a sale and \$3,000 for marketing. Mr. Egizio recommended approval of the contract with NAI Hiffman, subject to the Park District's attorney's review.

Commissioner Albritton made a motion to approve staff's recommendation. His motion was seconded by Vice President Condon and it carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor
Nays: None

3. Quotes

a. 2011 Bridge Repairs - Pilcher Park

Mr. Egizio said the bridge across Hickory Creek is unsafe so it was closed and has become an eyesore. Two quotes were received, one in the amount of \$12,360.00 from Lindblad Construction and one from Gould Excavating in the amount of \$13,298.00. Lindblad Construction also offered a quote of \$15,680.00 to demolish the building. We have the option of doing nothing but there are serious safety issues.

A motion was made by Commissioner Albritton, seconded by Commissioner Marcum to accept the quote from Lindblad Construction in the amount of \$28,040.00. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor
Nays: None

G. Executive Session: Personnel/Land Acquisition

At 6:24pm, a motion was made by Vice President Condon, seconded by Commissioner Marcum, to suspend the regular meeting and move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel and land acquisition. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor
Nays: None

H. Action from Executive Session

At 6:43pm, a motion was made by Commissioner Marcum, seconded by Commissioner Albritton, to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the Regular Meeting. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Albritton stated that he would like to see a payroll audit done. Mr. Egizio will discuss this with the Park District's auditor. The Board also discussed current and possible future staffing needs for the Park District.

I. Adjournment

A motion was made Commissioner Albritton, seconded by Commissioner Marcum, to adjourn the meeting. The motion unanimously carried. The time was 7:11pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dominic P. Egizio, Jr.
Board Secretary