

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Glen Ellyn Park District

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING

17 January 1977

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Glen Ellyn Park District was called to order by President Lawson at 7:30 P.M., with Commissioners Uhlhorn, Warkow, Coons and Catron present. Also present were Director Bavougian, Treasurer D'Agostino, Superintendent of Recreation Porter, Superintendent of Parks Zelenka, Supervisors of Recreation Walters and Wheeler, and Secretary Fergus.

Also in attendance were: Lee Crumbaugh, Penny Devin, Judy Marks, Denny Shogren and Bob Storm, candidates for Park Commissioner Election; Mary Wolaver, observer for the League of Women Voters; Ken Hardwicke, reporter for the Glen Ellyn News.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Warkow moved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 20, 1976 be approved with a correction of the wording of the last paragraph on page 1, changing line six to read, "and costs will be covered by the sale of trees earlier in the year", rather than, "and costs will come from the sale of trees earlier in the year". Commissioner Coons seconded the motion.

Motion Carried

Commissioner Warkow moved the minutes of the Special Meeting of December 20, 1976 be approved as presented and placed of record, seconded by Commissioner Coons.

Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report - December

Treasurer D'Agostino reviewed the schedule of Fund Activity and summarized his report for the month of December. Commissioner Uhlhorn moved the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented and placed of record. Commissioner Catron seconded the motion.

Motion Carried

Report of Director of Parks and Recreation

Director Bavougian presented his written report for review by the Board prior to the meeting. The content of the Director's report is included in the recounting of the discussion of each agenda item.

In the report he announced the hiring of Miss Barbara Sternfeld, former director of the Main Niles Special Recreation Association, as the Director of the ~~Western DuPage~~ Special Recreation Association.

Director Bavougian requested permission to go to bid for the acquisition of a 7-gang hydraulic mower and it was the consensus of the Board this should be done. Mr. Bavougian stated in writing the specifications he would use the two wing mowers as an alternate deduct.

Director Bavougian also reported the additional chairs for use at the Boathouse and Johnson Center have been ordered and should be arriving in two to four weeks.

Commissioner Uhlhorn moved, seconded by Commissioner Warkow, the Director's report be approved as presented and placed of record.

Motion Carried

Report of Superintendent of Recreation

Superintendent of Recreation Porter presented her written report to the Board for review prior to the meeting and some of the items covered were:

Registration for winter programs is going well. The more popular programs for this session are Dog Obedience, Disco Dance, Floor Hockey, and Grade School Gymnastics. Yoga has been expanded to both morning and evening classes, and classes in indoor soccer and wrestling have been added to the winter schedule. Current registration figures for basketball are: Men's League - 23 teams, Men's Over 30 - 10 teams, 7th & 8th Grade - 87 boys, 5th & 6th Grade - 220 boys. On February 5th a 5th - 8th grade girls basketball program is scheduled to begin. A fourteen week instructional soccer program began Jan. 13th, open to boys and girls 1st - 10th grade, and it is expected 120 will take part in the indoor program. Recreation Supervisor Wheeler advised there is also a Senior High Soccer program for 11th and 12th graders. Seventy-five 7th - 12th graders will participate in the five week Skiing program beginning January 22nd. Over 70 adults and children enjoyed the trip to the Nutcracker Ballet and based on the success of this trip, seats have been reserved for the Alice in Wonderland Ballet over Spring Vacation. The Women's Outings continue to be popular. On January 19th 40 ladies will travel to Lake Geneva Playboy Club for a day of skiing. A trip to the musical "The Wiz" is scheduled for January 26th, and a shopping/theatre trip to Drury Lane at Water Tower Place is scheduled for February. Despite the

very cold weather, ice skating has again been popular this season. The Illinois State Outdoor Speed Skating Meet will be held January 23rd and it is hoped the ice will remain in good condition.

Superintendent of Recreation Porter also reported the Glen Ellyn Park District has received notification that the Youth Conservation Corps Grant Request has been received by the Illinois Department of Conservation and they will contact the Park District after January 15th if the grant proposal is accepted. This grant would provide \$12,000 for general improvement projects for areas such as Benjamin Gault Bird Sanctuary, Joseph Sam Perry Nature Preserve, Ackerman Park, etc. Director Bavougian explained the grant would cover cost of personnel, reimbursement for payroll time, materials used, landscaping, and plant materials.

Mrs. Porter advised the Spring Brochure is now at the printer and should be mailed by March 1st.

Commissioner Catron moved, seconded by Commissioner Coons, the report of the Supt. of Recreation be accepted as presented and placed of record.

Motion Carried

Report of Superintendent of Parks

Superintendent of Parks Zelenka presented his written report to the Board for review prior to the meeting. In his report Mr. Zelenka advised there have been 21 consecutive days of ice skating on Lake Ellyn and due to the exceptional cold and heavy snows the lake has required constant plowing and maintenance. There is also skating at Lake Foxcroft and the lake is plowed whenever necessary. The hockey rink at Newton Park is plowed and flooded every other night and both the east and west parking areas are kept free of snow. Much attention has also been given to snow and ice removal at the Administration Building, Sunset Park, Newton Park, Johnson Center, parking lots and walkways, and ice maintenance for Lake Ellyn.

Judy Marks questioned why Lake Ellyn was closed to ice skaters that night, and stated she had received a number of telephone complaints from speed skaters about the ice not being available for practice for the State Speed Skating Meet. Supt. of Parks Zelenka advised they had just closed at 7:10 P.M. due to the brutal cold weather and the fact there were no skaters, and that Sunday night and Monday night were the only two nights they had closed early since skating began on December 28th.

Commissioner Coons moved, seconded by Commissioner Uhlhorn, the report of the Supt. of Parks be accepted as presented and placed of record.

Motion Carried

Old Business

In Director Bavougian's written report to the Board he recommended the consolidation of elections if the Village and School District 41 hold their election under Section 2-34 and the Park District only utilize the same polling places and continue the district's normal election procedure. He stated the anticipated shared polling places would be Forest Glen School, Main Street School, the South-side Fire Station, plus Hadley Junior High for those residents of the park district residing in Wheaton. Director Bavougian also explained in the past the district had two polling places staffed with five judges, and since only three judges are required this year, going to four polling places would merely add two more judges than used in past general elections.

After discussion, Commissioner Coons moved, seconded by Commissioner Warkow, the Board accept the recommendation of the Director and participate in accordance with the Director's report on the consolidated election, if District 41 votes to also join.

Motion Carried

Recreation Commission Activities Report

President Lawson reviewed the minutes of the January meeting of the Recreation Commission and their discussion of clubhouse expansion and reference to the Cooperative Park.

Future Park Sites and Park Improvements

Cooperative Park

The Cooperative Park Agreement redraft submitted by Director Bavougian after discussion with Ted Sokolis was reviewed by the Board, and Commissioner Coons made the motion that the amended proposed agreement be approved in concept. Commissioner Uhlhorn seconded the motion.

Motion Carried

Commissioner Coons then suggested the proposed agreement be referred to Attorney Fawell for review with respect to wording and the revised version forwarded.

President Lawson stated he would direct a letter to Marilyn Hoffman, Chairman of the Village of Glen Ellyn Recreation Commission Outdoor Facility Committee advising the Board had approved the amended proposed agreement in concept pending review by the Park District attorney.

Referendum Update

President Lawson asked the Board to review a referendum update prepared by Director Bavougian for release to the press informing the community what has been accomplished since approval of the June 1, 1974 Referendum for land acquisition and park improvement.

Recreation Facility

Director Bavougian submitted two memoranda for review by the Board regarding the recreation facility and possible financing. The Board scheduled a Special Meeting for Saturday morning, January 29, 1977, at 8:30 A.M. for an in-depth discussion of this matter. The question was raised as to whether the Board should tour other facilities prior to the discussion and it was felt it would be more instructive to hold the discussion meeting first.

New Business

Approval of Payment of Bills

Commissioner Coons moved that Payment Ordinance No. 16 for period ending December 31, 1976, and Payment Ordinance No. 17, for period ending January 17, 1977 be approved. Commissioner Warkow seconded the motion.

Motion Carried

Payment - Olson, Abney & Smith

Audit Fiscal Year January 1, 1971 - April 30, 1972 (16 mos.)

The Board discussed a pending bill in the amount of \$8,386.51 submitted by Olson, Abney & Smith on October 20, 1976 for services performed in their audit for the sixteen month period January 1, 1971 - April 30, 1972.

Commissioner Uhlhorn moved, seconded by Commissioner Coons, Director Bavougian authorize Attorney Fawell to forward a letter to Olson, Abney & Smith offering the amount of \$3,125.00 as full payment for the audit, as the Board felt the amount is fair payment for the services involved and rendered.

Motion Carried

Items Requiring Board Action - from Staff

W.D.S.R.A. Seed Money

Commissioner Warkow moved the Board authorize payment of \$2,500 seed money for the Western Du Page Special Recreation Association, to be reimbursed by W.D.S.R.A. by December 31, 1977. Commissioner Coons seconded the motion.

Motion Carried

Illinois Public Treasurer's Investment Pool

Commissioner Warkow made a motion to remove the \$100,000 limit from the investment criteria for the Illinois Public Treasurer's Investment Pool. Commissioner Coons seconded the motion.

Motion Carried

Statements of Economic Interests

Statements of Economic Interests for 1977 were provided and signed by Board Members for filing with the County Clerk.

Candidates Night

President Lawson introduced the idea of conducting a candidates night to familiarize the Village Board Candidates with the operations of the Park District. The Board was in favor of this and suggested Park Board Candidates also be invited to attend.

At 8:50 P.M. the meeting recessed to reconvene in Executive Session by the motion of Commissioner Catron, seconded by Commissioner Uhlhorn, for discussion of land acquisition.

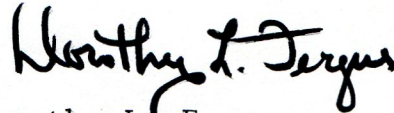
The Board reconvened in Regular Session at 9:20 P.M. by motion of Commissioner Uhlhorn, seconded by Commissioner Coons.

Commissioner Warkow offered a suggestion that Attorney Fawell provide an updated report on land acquisition when he is not required to attend meetings so that the Board will know the current status of negotiations.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 P.M. by the motion of Commissioner Uhlhorn, seconded by Commissioner Warkow.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dorothy L. Fergus". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "D".

Dorothy L. Fergus
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AGENDA

Regular Meeting of January 17, 1977

- I Call to Order
- II Minutes of Regular Meeting of December 20, 1976
Executive Session of December 20, 1976
- III Treasurer's Report - December
- IV Report of Director of Parks and Recreation
- V Report of Superintendent of Recreation
- VI Report of Superintendent of Parks
- VII Old Business
 - A. Items Requiring Board Action - from Staff
 - B. Future Park Sites and Park Improvements
 - 1. Ackerman Park
 - 2. Babcock Grove (formerly Goodrich Farm)
 - 3. Playground Equipment
 - 4. Johnson Center
 - 5. Cooperative Park
 - 6. Recreation Facility
 - 7. Danby Park (formerly Glen Terrace)
 - C. Consolidation of Elections
 - D. Recreation Commission Activities Report
- VIII New Business
 - A. Approval of Payment of Bills
 - B. Items Requiring Board Action - from Staff
 - 1. \$2,500 W.D.S.R.A. Seed Money
 - C. Statements of Economic Interests
- IX Communications
- X Announcements
- XI Adjournment