



Buffalo Grove Park District Board of Commissioners
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
530 Bernard Drive, Buffalo Grove, IL
February 25, 2019

Commissioners Present: Tracy Bragg, Rick Drazner, Scott Jacobson, Adriane Johnson and Larry Reiner

Staff Present: Executive Director Ryan Risinger, Director of Recreation and Facilities Bill Heider, Director of Business Services and Human Resources John Short, Public Relations and Marketing Manager Mike Terson and Executive Assistant Beth Wanland

Attorney David Bloomberg was present

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

President Jacobson called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:09 pm. The roll was called and Commissioners Bragg, Drazner, Jacobson, Johnson and Reiner answered present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Rosemary Heilemann, with the Environmental Action Team, introduced herself.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Commissioner Drazner moved to approve the Regular Board Meeting Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Bragg and passed with a voice vote.

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT REVIEW

Jeff Weiss, with EAT, gave a presentation to be Board on Green Infrastructure in Buffalo Grove. Jeff and Dan Anderson, Crew Chief of the Buffalo Grove Park District, defined green infrastructure, highlighted the team's accomplishments over the last year, and outlined their goals for 2019. President Jacobson commended the group on their work and said that what they do affects not only our community, but other communities as well.

PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF RECOGNITION RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 19-2-1 Commending the Buffalo Grove Environmental Action Team on their 10 Year Anniversary

President Jacobson read the following:

**Resolution 19-2-1 Commemorating
Buffalo Grove Environmental Action Team's
10th Anniversary**

WHEREAS, the Buffalo Grove Environmental Action Team, hereafter referred to as BG EAT, is a dedicated group of environmentally conscious local citizens, eager to improve the community's natural environment, and encourage sound and sustainable practices since the group organized on February 18, 2009;

WHEREAS, the BG EAT sponsors an annual Plant the Park event to establish native trees and plants to restore prairies, woods and wetlands in our parks. The team organized an exhibit and a series of events at the Raupp Museum to honor our natural heritage and surviving prairie remnants;

WHEREAS, for the last six years the BG EAT has sponsored a Green Fair in June. It features educational booths and opportunities to recycle a wide variety of household items. More than 300 bicycles have been donated to Working Bikes Cooperative at this event. BG EAT members also served on the Village bicycle commission.

WHEREAS, the BG EAT brought recycling to Buffalo Grove Days and organized their first electronics recycling event on April 25, 2009. The group currently works at the annual recycling event in conjunction with the Village of Buffalo Grove and SWANCC;

WHEREAS, the BG EAT promotes alternative energy and worked with the Village of Buffalo Grove to implement the electrical aggregation program that purchased 100% green energy for Village residents for three years;

WHEREAS, BG EAT members founded the Buffalo Creek Clean Water Partnership and conduct annual water quality assessments in Buffalo Creek;

WHEREAS, BG EAT formed an Adopt-a-Highway team and organizes annual stream cleanups along Farrington Ditch;

WHEREAS, BG EAT members enrolled Buffalo Grove in the Mayor's Monarch Pledge and pass out milkweed seeds at the Farmer's Market and other local events.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buffalo Grove Park District Board of Commissioners, Cook and Lake Counties, by adoption of this Resolution, hereby extend our sincere appreciation and congratulations to the Buffalo Grove Environmental Action Team in recognition of it's 10th Anniversary of striving to improve our community's quality of life for generations to come.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 25th day of February 2019.

Commissioner Reiner moved to approve Resolution 19-2-1 commemorating the Environmental Action Team's 10th Anniversary, seconded by Vice President Johnson and passed with a voice vote.

Debbie Moritz, organizer of EAT, gave an overview of what the Environmental Action Team does and how the team is improving our community through recycling events, restoration of habitats, clean

water, the Green Fair, road cleanup, seed cleaning, and rain barrels, to name a few. Commissioner Reiner pointed out that early on, the Park District took on any park offered, but once Executive Director Mike Rylko took over he stopped accepting parks that were of no value or benefit to the community. Vice President Johnson congratulated EAT on their anniversary and said it is an honor to serve as their liaison.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the January 14, 2019 Workshop Minutes

Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the January 14, 2019 Workshop Minutes, seconded by Vice President Johnson and passed with a voice vote.

Approval of the January 28, 2019 Workshop Minutes

Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the January 28, 2019 Workshop Minutes, seconded by Vice President Johnson and passed with a voice vote. Commissioner Drazner and President Jacobson abstained.

Approval of the January 28, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the January 28, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Reiner and passed with a voice vote. Commissioner Drazner and President Jacobson abstained.

TOPICS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no Topics From the Floor discussed.

CORRESPONDENCE

Executive Director Risinger reviewed the correspondence which included the IAPD press release on Vice-President Johnson being named chair-elect of IAPD. He also mentioned the Field of Excellence Award presented to the Parks Athletic Field staff for their work on Emmerich field, a thank you from IAPD for the Life Map gift, and a thank you from the Vernon Township Food Pantry for a donation from BG Singers. He also said the revised copies of the Intergovernmental Agreements with Arlington Heights are in the Board packet.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney David Bloomberg had no report.

COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS

Finance

Approval of the February Warrant 2019

Commissioner Drazner moved to approve the February Warrant 2019 in the amount of \$1,135,669.58, seconded by Commissioner Reiner and passed with a roll call vote.

AYES: Bragg, Drazner, Jacobson, Johnson and Reiner

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

Approval of the January Financial Statement and the January Year to Date Statement

Commissioner Drazner moved to approve the January Financial Statement and the January Year to Date Statement, seconded by Commissioner Bragg and passed with a roll call vote.

AYES: Bragg, Drazner, Jacobson, Johnson and Reiner
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

Approval of the Mowing Contract

Commissioner Drazner moved to approve the mowing contract with Gilio Landscape Contractors of Arlington Heights, IL, seconded by Commissioner Reiner and passed with a roll call vote.

AYES: Bragg, Drazner, Jacobson, Johnson and Reiner
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

Approval of the Crossings Streambank Improvement Contract

Commissioner Drazner moved to approve the Crossings Streambank Improvement contract with Earth Werks Land Improvement & Development of Batavia, IL, in the amount of \$133,097, seconded by Commissioner Reiner and passed with a roll call vote.

AYES: Bragg, Drazner, Jacobson, Johnson and Reiner
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

Approval of the Rolling Hills Playground Equipment Contract

Commissioner Drazner moved to approve the Rolling Hills Playground Equipment contract with NuToys Leisure Products, Inc. of LaGrange, IL, in the amount of \$67,775, seconded by Vice-President Johnson and passed with a roll call vote.

AYES: Bragg, Drazner, Jacobson, Johnson and Reiner
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Commissioner Bragg move to approval of the Consent Agenda as proposed, seconded by Vice President Johnson and passed with a voice vote.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND DEPARTMENT OPERATIONAL REPORTS

Executive Director Risinger told the Board that the Addams Family had to be canceled yesterday due to the lead actor being ill. He also said there is a new IAPD Code Book and will order books for President Jacobson, Commissioner Bragg and Commissioner Drazner. He thanked those who attended the Winter Party.

Recreation Department

Director Heider thanked the Board again for allowing staff to attend conference. He said they enjoy networking and attending the educational sessions and are appreciative of the opportunity.

Public Relations and Marketing

Public Relations and Marketing Manager Mike Terson said he was asked to speak at the Wisconsin Parks and Recreation Conference on sponsorship. Executive Director Risinger added that Dani Hoefle, Risk Manager, was also asked to speak at the Wisconsin conference on aquatics.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business discussed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice-President Johnson moved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of a Land Acquisition at 7:15 pm, seconded by Commissioner Bragg and passed with a roll call vote.

AYES: Bragg, Drazner, Jacobson, Johnson and Reiner

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

MOTION TO RECONVENE THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Commissioner Reiner moved to reconvene the Regular Board Meeting at 7:34 pm, seconded by Vice-President Johnson and passed with a roll call vote.

AYES: Bragg, Drazner, Jacobson, Johnson and Reiner

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

ACTION TAKEN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Jacobson stated that no final action was taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Bragg moved to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:34 pm, seconded by Vice-President Johnson and passed with a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary