



**Buffalo Grove Park District Workshop Minutes  
Monday, January 22, 2018  
Alcott Center, 530 Bernard Drive, Buffalo Grove, IL**

Commissioners Present: Richard Drazner, Adriane Johnson, Larry Reiner and Jack Schmerer

Commissioner Absent: Scott Jacobson

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

Attorney David Bloomberg was present

Guests: Michael Maloney and Ted Haug from Legat Architects, Andrew Heuser from Gewalt Hamilton and Michelle Kelly from Upland Design.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Roll Call**

President Schmerer called the Workshop to order at 6 pm. The roll was called and Commissioners Drazner, Johnson, Reiner and Schmerer answered present.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Michael Maloney and Ted Haug from Legat Architects, Andrew Heuser from Gewalt Hamilton and Michelle Kelly from Upland Design were introduced.

**APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP AGENDA**

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the Workshop Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Drazner and passed with a voice vote.

**RYLKO PARK MASTER PLAN PRESENTATION BY LEGAT ARCHITECTS**

Michael Maloney from Legat Architects reviewed how the master plan for Mike Rylko Community Park was updated. Twenty-three Park District staff gave their input as to changes in program areas they would suggest during a focus group session in October. Legat then developed the two plans that were suggested by two teams in the focus group and presented them to thirty staff

members in December. Staff members gave their pros and cons of each plan and Legat then refined it to one plan that is being presented to the Board with cost estimates and prioritizations. Mr. Maloney showed a PowerPoint presentation of the overall master plan, Mr. Heuser explained site improvements that would be needed and Ms. Kelly described each of the program components. Mr. Maloney showed a spreadsheet of all of the components with probably costs and prioritizations as funding becomes available. The Board thanked the guests for attending the meeting and their work and staff's work in developing the master plan. Vice President Reiner expressed his concern for addressing redevelopment at Green Lake Park as part of a continuation of the large green belt in the community.

## **FINANCE**

### **January Warrant 2018**

There were no comments or questions and the January Warrant 2018 was referred to the Committee Action Items for approval.

### **December Financial Statement and December Year to Date Statement**

There were no comments or questions and the December Financial Statement and December Year to Date Statement were referred to the Committee Action Items for approval.

### **January Refunds**

The January Refunds were accepted as presented.

## **PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

Vice President Reiner said that the IAPD/IPRA state conference was very good and he appreciates the opportunity and is proud of President Schmerer and Commissioner Johnson who represent the district so well on the IAPD level. He noted that the district and Executive Director Risinger are well respected in the field. Vice President Reiner said that his accomplishments for which he received the IAPD Honored Professional Award 2017 at the conference were in large part a result of the support and experience he had during his 30 years on the Buffalo Grove Park District Board. He attended Public Relations and Marketing Manager Terson's marketing session and he said it was outstanding and enlightening. Commissioner Johnson added that she also thanked staff for their support and involvement on the IPRA level. Commissioner Johnson recognized Executive Director Risinger's leadership on the joint accreditation committee and she looks forward to serving on it with him. She was the co-chair of the exhibit committee at conference that was very rewarding and she will continue for another year as vice-chair of the IAPD Board of Trustees. She moderated a session and thanked Commissioner Jacobson for his assistance. She was a panel member during the commissioners' roundtable that went very well. Commissioner Drazner was very impressed with the conference and the sessions. He said that the district is a leader in the field and in what IAPD promotes. He suggested that the district participate in a Professional Connection session where young people can get a feel for different jobs within the parks and recreation field. He commented that there was an outstanding keynote speaker and he was impressed with the commissioner's round table, the legal sessions, and a session on the director/commissioner relationship. President Schmerer said that the round table session went well and he appreciated the rest of the Board's help. He mentioned how the Board members have mentored commissioners at other park districts and that the district received IAPD's Youth

License Plate Award – Best Promotional Practices Award at the conference. He was asked to join IAPD’s honors and resolutions committee which he accepted.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Vice President Reiner moved to adjourn the workshop at 7 pm, seconded by Commissioner Drazner and passed with a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary