



Buffalo Grove Park District
WORKSHOP MINUTES
October 22, 2018
530 Bernard Drive, Buffalo Grove, IL
6 pm

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

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

Attorney Steven P. Bloomberg was present

Tom Chapman from Raymond James arrived at 7:06

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

President Jacobson called the Workshop to order at 6:08 pm. The roll was called and Commissioners Bragg, Drazner, Jacobson, Johnson and Reiner answered present.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Superintendent Greg Ney introduced our new Recreation Supervisor, Jimmy Mix. Jimmy previously worked at Hanover Township Park District where he oversaw their afterschool program, and their spring break, winter break and summer programs. He said he has hit the ground running, it has been a very smooth transition, and he hopes to make everyone here proud.

Director Heider added that Recreation Supervisor Laura Husko has decided to be a stay-at-home mom with her two young children and will be replaced by new hire, Megan Kile, who will be starting on October 29.

APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP AGENDA

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

IAPD Credentials

Commissioner Reiner explained that we need delegate and alternate representation for the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, January 26th at 3:30 pm at the IAPD Conference in the Grand Ballroom A/B. It was discussed and decided that President Jacobson will be the primary delegate, the first alternate will be Commissioner Reiner, the second alternate will be Commissioner Bragg and the third alternate will be Commissioner Drazner. Vice President Johnson mentioned that this is the meeting we will be presenting IAPD with a Life Map.

FINANCE

October Warrant

Commissioner Drazner asked if there is anything that should be highlighted in the October Warrant and Director Short said that there are some capital projects included but nothing unusual.

September Financial Statement and September Year-to-Date Statement

No comments were made on the September Financial Statement and September Year-to-Date Statement.

October Refunds

No comments were made on the October Refunds.

Resolution 18-10-1 2018 Tax Levy

Director Short explained that we did an estimate of the levy for next year and it will increase 3%.

Ordinance 18-10-1

Ordinance 18-10-1 providing for the issue of approximately \$1,795,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2018, for park purposes, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the execution of a Bond Purchase Agreement with Raymond James & Associates, Inc. in connection with the sale of said bonds.

President Jacobson asked about the Park District's AA+ rating and Tom Chapman, Managing Director with Raymond James, explained to the Board the reason we are AA+ Rated is because of the Fitness Center funds. Everything else in the report is as favorable as it can be.

Ordinance 18-10-2 Tax Abatement and Ordinance 18-10-3 Tax Abatement

Director Short explained that Ordinance 18-10-2 Tax Abatement is for the addition of the spa at the Fitness Center and Ordinance 18-10-3 Tax Abatement is for the original debt on the Fitness Center.

PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

President Jacobson welcomed Tracy Bragg to the Board. He saw Brighton Beach Memoirs last weekend and said the acting was great as always and the set is unbelievable. He also wished Jimmy Mix much success in his new role here at the Park District.

Commissioner Reiner said that he, Vice President Johnson and Executive Director Risinger had a nice time at the IAPD Best of the Best Gala and noted that it is the agency's 90th Anniversary. He attended an Open Lands luncheon and said they provide grants and have a phenomenal tree program that we might want to investigate. He also welcomed Commissioner Bragg. Commissioner Reiner said that

OSLAD received over 100 applications for the grants this year and the decision making will be slower than usual.

Vice President Johnson welcomed Commissioner Bragg to the Board and Jimmy Mix to the Park District. She attended the Best of the Best Gala and commented on the video which featured pictures of Executive Director Risinger and Commissioner Reiner earlier in their careers. She met a woman at the gala who works at the Glenview Park District and recently moved to Buffalo Grove. The woman received a welcome package from the Park District and she hears from many sources what a great Park District we are. Vice President Johnson also attended the Family Fun Day at the Fitness Center during Membership Appreciation Week and commented on what a great event it was. She attended the 3-Club Classic and thanked Human Resources Specialist Scott Spitz for planning the event. She was a judge at the pooch parade and attended the Great Pumpkin Hunt and Decoration at the museum. She also attended Brighton Beach Memoirs and announced she has been invited to join the Executive Board of IAPD and will be named Chairperson Elect for 2019.

Commissioner Bragg thanked the Board and staff for everything they have done and considers it an honor and privilege to serve on the Board. She said she will do her best to keep Board Emeritus Commissioner Schmerer's legacy moving forward.

Commissioner Drazner welcomed Commissioner Bragg. He said he enjoyed being a judge at the Pooch Parade and after the event he attended the Great Pumpkin Hunt and Decoration at the museum. He also talked about the amazing nuclear scientist program at the museum. He attended Brighton Beach Memoirs and said he is proud of the diversity we have here in Buffalo Grove. He complimented Vice President Johnson on being named the Chairperson Elect for IAPD.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Johnson moved to adjourn the Board Workshop at 6:32 pm, seconded by Commissioner Reiner and passed with a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary