

Regular Meeting Minutes of the
Gurnee Park District Board of Commissioners
June 16, 2015

President Goshorn called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked for a roll call. Commissioners present: Vicki Paddock, Libby Baker, Gerry Crews and Jim Goshorn. Commissioners absent: Michelle Klemz. Also present: Susie Kuruvilla, Executive Director; Jeff Reinhard, Supt. of Parks; Scott Crowe, Supt. of Recreation; Mike Szpylman, Supt. of Business; and Suzanne Gage, Administrative Assistant. Please see the attendance sheet for visitors.

In the absence of the Board Secretary, President Goshorn administered the oath of office to Gerry Crews, who had been re-elected in April to a new four-year term.

A motion to accept the minutes of the budget and appropriation hearing of May 19, 2015 as presented was made by Vicki Paddock and seconded by Libby Baker. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Paddock, Goshorn, Crews and Baker. Nays: none. Absent: Klemz. Motion carried.

A motion to accept the special meeting minutes of May 19, 2015 as presented was made by Libby Baker and seconded by Vicki Paddock. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Paddock, Goshorn, Crews and Baker. Nays: none. Absent: Klemz. Motion carried.

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes of May 19, 2015 as presented was made by Vicki Paddock and seconded by Libby Baker. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Paddock, Goshorn, Crews and Baker. Nays: none. Absent: Klemz. Motion carried.

A motion to accept the executive meeting minutes of May 19, 2015 as presented was made by Vicki Paddock and seconded by Libby Baker. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Paddock, Goshorn, Crews and Baker. Nays: none. Absent: Klemz. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the total bills, payouts and payroll in the amount of \$1,013,383.01 presented on June 16, 2015 was made by Gerry Crews and seconded by Libby Baker. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Paddock, Goshorn, Crews and Baker. Nays: none. Absent: Klemz. Motion carried.

The financial report and treasurer's report were reviewed. President Goshorn asked that the Business office suppress amounts to the right of the decimal point to aid in reading the reports. He also asked to record the accounting period number into the header of the report. The business manager agreed.

There were no visitors' comments.

The Director introduced Jason Estes and Ray Lee from FGM Architects who reviewed the plans for phase III construction at FitNation. The project's focus is the space on the right side of the corridor where tenants were formerly located. It will be repurposed as a large multipurpose room to centralize martial arts programs and can also be used for other activities such as pickle ball, badminton or rentals. The remaining area will include a conference room for training, public bathrooms and a storage room. Bid documents are being developed and they will go out to bid in July. The bid approval will take place at the August 18 board meeting. The project will start in September to be completed in December. The budget is approximately \$800,000-\$900,000. They also discussed plans for a seating area in the lobby to provide for those waiting for program participants. The architects answered all of the board's questions.

Department heads reviewed their written reports with the Board.

Jeff Reinhard noted that staff is working on the Viking West shelter (Gurnee Grade School site). The Hunt Club family activity room is also being remodeled for all day preschool. The continuing leak at the aquatic center was discussed and is being managed.

Scott Crowe noted that the new Viking Facility Manager has been hired and Beckie Korzyniewski will return to fill the position. She left Gurnee in 2009 but has returned to the area and has added to her experiences since then including adult recreation programming and working with sponsors. She will start on July 6.

President Goshorn spoke about the short term fitness memberships for college students on a trimester schedule. The normal 90-day summer membership and 30-day winter membership may not work for them. Staff will review the current offerings and consider revisions to be flexible for this group.

Mike Szpylman noted that there were over 405,000 fitness visits in the last fiscal year. Commissioner Crews asked to find out how this total compares to other facilities. Staff will look into this statistic.

Marketing Manager Jennifer Gilbert was absent from the meeting. The Director answered questions for the Board. The board president noted that Warren Area Lacrosse Association was extremely grateful for and humbled by the coverage of their championship. WALA is an affiliate of the Park District.

Commissioner Crews suggested additional soccer marketing in light of soccer participation being up 20%. He noted how well-attended soccer tournaments are in our area. The Director did not feel that more marketing is needed. Our philosophy is the recreational aspect and if a participant wants more competition, we make sure their needs are met with our affiliates. Scott Crowe said the District is working with the competitive clubs like FC Lake County and Doogie Clark's new club, Inter Gurnee Premier FC (IGPFC) to offer more high level programming or teaching for the park district. Scott Crowe felt that the culture generally is moving towards the competitive aspect of sports.

ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Libby Baker to approve Ordinance #15/16-2 adopting the prevailing wages to be paid to laborers, mechanics and other workers performing construction of public works for the Gurnee Park District. Motion seconded by Vicki Paddock. President Goshorn noted that he spoke with the Director previously regarding the ordinance and asked why the Board has to act on this when it's already a state statute that we must abide by. She advised that all the ordinance says is that we will comply with the Act. It is the law of the land however we feel about it. Commissioner Crews did some reading about the law and feels that times have changed since this law was passed many years ago and regulations have changed including OSHA safety, employee rights, etc. President Goshorn suggested that "the board act in a positive way and support the ordinance which we must adhere to irrespective, but each member can vote accordingly". Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Paddock, Goshorn, and Baker. Nays: Crews. Absent: Klemz. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Vicki Paddock to enter executive session at 8:34 pm to discuss:

- The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5)
- the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

Motion was seconded by Gerry Crews. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Paddock, Goshorn, Crews and Baker. Nays: none. Absent: Klemz. Motion carried. Susie Kuruvilla was authorized to attend the closed session.

A motion was made by Vicki Paddock to return to open session at 9:10 p.m. Motion seconded by Libby Baker. On voice vote, all voted aye.

A motion to adjourn was made by Libby Baker and seconded by Gerry Crews. On voice vote, all voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

James G. Goshorn, President

Michelle Klemz, Secretary