

**MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 25, 2009  
REGULAR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

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The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Plainfield Township Park District, was held on Wednesday, February 11, 2009 at the Recreation/Administration Center, 23729 W. Ottawa Street, Plainfield.

President Newton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Brann, Wilson, Newton, Primiano

Absent: Kelly

Staff members present: Bott, Bettin, Calabrese, Coldwater, Crisman, Kamp, Naughton

Others present: Bill Lamb, Joe McLennan

Moved by Wilson that the board approve the agenda. Seconded by Brann. Roll Call: Brann-Yes, Wilson-Yes, Primiano-Yes, Newton. Motion Carried.

Moved by Wilson that the board approve the consent agenda which included minutes of the February 11, 2009 board of commissioners meeting; bills and claims check numbers 67073-67142 with check number 61723 voided; interim check numbers 66895-67072 and the January, 2009 treasurer's report.. Seconded by Primiano. Roll Call: Brann-Yes, Wilson-Yes, Primiano-Yes, Newton-Yes. Motion Carried.

*Commissioner Kelly arrived at 6:05 p.m.*

STAFF REPORTS

President Newton asked the board if they had any comments on the letter to the editor that Ms. Naughton sent to them for review. Ms. Naughton told the board the deadline to submit the item to the Enterprise is Monday morning and asked them to get any changes or comments to her by the end of the week. Mr. Bott said staff would submit the letter over all the board's signatures.

A. Executive Director

1. May 27, 2009 Meeting Location Change

Greg Bott told the board that staff secured Ira Jones Middle School for the May 27<sup>th</sup> meeting and asked them if that location was acceptable. The board consensus was to change the location of the May 27<sup>th</sup> meeting to Ira Jones Middle School. Mr. Bott said staff would place the item on the next agenda for consideration.

2. Tornado Siren Location Request by City of Joliet (Cambridge Run)

Mr. Bott said he and Cameron Bettin met with the contractor hired by the City of Joliet for a placement of a tornado siren in Cambridge Run. Mr. Bott said they would like to install it near a retention basin owned by the park district. Mr. Bott said the siren would be solar powered and the City of Joliet will be preparing an easement agreement for the board to consider. Commissioner Wilson asked how far the siren would be from the nearest home. Mr. Bott said it is approximately 100 feet from the back of the home's lot. Commissioner Wilson asked if the homeowner's would be contacted about the placement of the siren. The board asked staff to ask the City of Joliet to do a public notice of the placement of the tornado siren to the homeowners so they would be aware of the project.

B. Recreation Department

1. Concession Stand Use

Cheryl Crisman said as requested by the board, staff prepared a memo with information relating to the current concession stand use procedures for the board to review. Commissioner Brann said he thinks the board should consider whether or not contracts should be required for running the concession stands.

Commissioner Brann said he is concerned that we don't have any contracts stating who is running what stand and would like the board to consider whether or not we should charge a fee for running concession stands in the future. The board discussed the current policy as written in the field use agreements and possible changes for the future. The board consensus was for staff to draft a yearly agreement for the current concession stand users.

### C. Planning Department

Cameron Bettin said he received a call from Sue Eubanks asking us to resubmit our bike path grant application from last year. Mr. Bettin said this application was for Normantown Trail from 127<sup>th</sup> Street to the equestrian center.

#### 1. Master Plan

Cameron Bettin reviewed highlights of the memo and timeline for revising and updating the master plan. Mr. Bettin said he and Mr. Bott met with public research group to discuss performing a survey and other ways to collect data from the public. Mr. Bettin said he would like to have them at the next meeting to give a presentation to the board. President Newton asked if we budgeted for a consultant to perform the survey. Mr. Bettin said we did not but there is money in the consulting services line item that is available. Mr. Bott said he sees this master plan as being the next vision for the District now that we have gone from a small district to one of the biggest in the state. President Newton asked the board for their feelings on whether or not to update the master plan. Commissioner Wilson said he doesn't remember referring to the last plan very much and personally hates for us to spend a lot of time and money for a document to sit on a shelf. Commissioner Kelly said she felt we used the last master plan and accomplished a lot of what we could do. Ms. Kelly said the frustrating part of the last plan for her was that there were a lot of good things that we did but there were so many important things we couldn't do because of a lack of funding. Mr. Newton said he thinks it is always a good idea to gage the public's support for the district. Mr. Bettin said he isn't looking at updating the plan as a prelude to a referendum. Mr. Bettin said he wants to focus on parks on recreation and include the bike plan, our service areas and growth to the west. Mr. Bettin said this could be a good tool for planning the future of the district. Commissioner Primiano said now that we know what are boundaries are going to be, this is a chance to see what we can put in place and to look for larger areas of land out west. Commissioner Brann said he is all for updating the plan as long as it is used. Commissioner Kelly said she would like the focus of the plan to be on realistic ways the plan can be achieved. Mr. Brann volunteered to serve as the commissioner representative on the master plan team.

### PRESIDENTS REPORT

President Newton said the Bowling Fundraiser for the Foundation is coming up on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 p.m. at Pioneer Lanes and tickets cost \$25.00.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bill Lamb said he would like to see more effort and cooperation with the Village. Mr. Lamb said he thinks master plans are good but would suggest focusing on the idea of a referendum by identifying what could be done with a certain amount of money to get the best feedback from the public. Commissioner Wilson said in his opinion cooperation from the Village board has not always been the best but is hopeful that things can be improved in the future. Mr. Lamb said he is hopeful that intergovernmental cooperation can be improved with all the entities in the future.

### COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Commissioner Brann said he was contacted by IAPD asking if he would like to be part of the conference planning committee and that he accepted the position.

### ACTION ITEMS

#### A. Consider Bid Award for 2009-2-Wheel Drive Dump Truck

The board reviewed bids received for one 2009 two wheel drive dump truck from NW Ford \$62,276.00, Rod Baker \$62,772.00, Rendels \$63,514.00, Trans Chicago \$67, 226.00, Advant Chevy \$69,998.13, Chicago International \$69,999.00 and Coffman Truck \$72,492.00. Moved by Wilson that the board award the bid for one 2009 two wheel drive dump truck to Northwest Ford in the amount of \$62,276.00. Seconded by Kelly. Roll Call: Brann-Yes, Kelly-Yes, Wilson-Yes, Primiano-Yes, Newton-Yes. Motion Carried.

B. Consider Bid Award for 2009 Skidsteer

The board reviewed bids received for one 2009 skidsteer from Shorewood Home & Auto \$28,486.00, Stollen International \$27,601.00, Atlas \$27,764.00, Schnook \$29,764.00, Ill Truck \$29,490.00, Circle \$29,681.67 and Stolen \$31,735. Moved by Kelly that the board award the bid for one 2009 skidsteer to Shorewood Home & Auto in the amount of \$27,601.00. Seconded by Wilson. Roll Call: Brann-Yes, Kelly-Yes, Wilson-Yes, Primiano-Yes, Newton-Yes. Motion Carried.

C. Consider Bid Award for Clow Stephens Site Development

The board reviewed bids received for Clow Stephens Site Development from Austin Tyler \$829,660.00, GA Blocker \$834,365.00, Abbey \$834,400.00, R. Carlson \$850,185.00, Schramm \$869,371.00, Schroeder \$881,622.00, GLI \$896,032.00, JS Riemer \$931,551.00, Construction by Camco \$942,875.00, D Construction \$1,014,000.00, LJ Dodd \$1,028,357.00, PT Ferro \$1,085,025.00, Kenneth \$1,087,246.00, Chicagoland Paving \$1,100,400.00, G Three \$1,227.926.00 and Kovilic \$1,364,800.00. Moved by Wilson that the board award the bid for development of Clow Stephens Community Park to Austin Tyler Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$829,660.00. Seconded by Brann. Roll Call: Brann-Yes, Kelly-Yes, Wilson-Yes, Primiano-Yes, Newton-Yes. Motion Carried.

D. District Legislative Items

1. Legislative Conference

Larry Newton told the board that the Legislative Conference will be held in Springfield on May 5 & 6 and asked the board to let staff know if they would be attending so reservations could be made.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Wilson that the board go into executive session at 7:35 p.m. to discuss personnel not to reconvene. Seconded by Brann. Roll Call: Brann-Yes, Kelly-Yes, Wilson-Yes, Primiano-Yes, Newton-Yes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory B. Bott, Secretary