

**FLAGG-ROCHELLE COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
August 15, 2016 6:30 PM
Rochelle City Hall**

Call to Order:

- A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Flagg-Rochelle Community Park District, was held at Rochelle City Hall, 420 North Sixth Street, Rochelle, Illinois on August 15, 2016. The meeting convened at 6:31 P.M. President Roger Bunger presiding.

Roll Call:

Commissioners Present

Roger Bunger
Marshall Norcross
Michael Cruz
Dale Wells
Brent Carmichael
John Dobbs (7:35 PM)

Commissioners Absent

Michelle Pease (Excused)

Staff Present: Eric Christensen, Executive Director; Don Elliott, Superintendent of Parks and Facilities; Maureen Stevens, Recreation Supervisor

Approval of Agenda:

- Commissioner Norcross moved to approve the agenda of the August 15, 2016 regular monthly meeting. Commissioner Cruz seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Approval of Minutes:

- Commissioner Wells moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 18, 2016. Commissioner Norcross seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.

Budget and Finance Committee:

- Manual Checks
 - Commissioner Norcross questioned a bill for RMU for \$8,000. Director Christensen said he would look into the bill and give the board an answer.

- Commissioner Cruz moved to approve the manual check report, as presented.
Commissioner Carmichael seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously by roll call.
- Financial Report

Items from the Public:

- Christine Wengelewski a leader of the Rochelle Special Needs Parent/Child group introduced herself and several other members of the public who attended the meeting to express their support of the Kishwaukee Special Recreation Association. She explained that she and many others have run into issues where their children were not able to participate in certain activities due to the child's special needs. Commissioner Bunger asked a couple follow-up questions about the group as well as expressed thanks to Mrs. Wengelewski for expressing her opinion. Commissioner Bunger also wanted to know how many children in Rochelle and Flagg Township have special needs. Mrs. Wengelewski suggested the Board contact the school districts in town to get those numbers.

Director's Report:

- Executive Director Christensen offered an invitation to the board and their families to join the park district staff as they walk in the Lincoln Highway Heritage Festival Parade on Sunday, August 21st at noon. Director Christensen also invited the board to attend the Skare Park Bridge dedication that same day at 3:00pm. Christensen pointed out several parts of the board packet to answer questions the board may have about the golf course and the proposed bike/walking path on that property.

President's Report:

- Commissioner Bunger updated the board on a meeting with GREDCO and their escrow fund where there are remaining funds still needing to be paid back to the park district for membership fees. GREDCO was hoping to be paid for equipment and signage in the amount of \$50,000 split between the park district and the City of Rochelle. Commissioner Wells brought up concerns about this request. Commissioner Bunger also brought up the discussion about putting something in board policy to give presentations and other speakers a time limit when addressing the board. Chris Hull was introduced as the installer of Hull HVAC who replaced the air conditioning unit at the Spring Lake Marina. Commissioner Bunger thanked both Chris and Don Elliott for their work.

Committee Reports Needing Action:

Old Business:

- **Special Recreation Association**

- Director Christensen put together language to be used in the wording of a proposed ordinance as well as a letter to be sent to the KSRA.
- Commissioner Norcross questioned the dollar amount that would be required from a citizen of Rochelle who owns a \$100,000 house if the Park District levied \$0.04. Director Christensen said he would look into this and get an exact dollar figure. Commissioner Norcross also requested that Director Christensen find out from the school districts how many children this association would help. Commissioner Carmichael expressed his favor in the program, but would prefer to find another place to get the money rather than raising taxes.

- **Pool Filter Room Discussion**

- Superintendent of Parks and Facilities, Don Elliott presented to the board the need for updates to the filtration and circulation equipment at Spring Lake Pool. The pump, filtration tanks, and other equipment is currently underground. Leaking from the tanks has caused the need for this to be addressed. Parts are no longer available for the pump that we have, so that also needs to be addressed.
- After discussion, the board decided to let the project out for bids and then go from there.
- Don also brought up the decking project that will eventually need to be taken care of down at Spring Lake which adds to the list of expenses down at Spring Lake.

- **Bike Path Extension Discussion**

- Executive Director Christensen brought up the topic of a fence being installed along the bike path extension at the request of the railroad. Christensen insisted that after talking with Fehr-Graham, the fence is a request and not a requirement.
- Commissioner Norcross wanted to know just how much a fence would cost. Christensen quoted a price of \$70,000 and pointed out that, due to the wetland areas, there would be breaks in any fence put up.
- After discussion, the board was skeptical about putting up a fence and the halt it would put on the construction of the Bike Path Extension. Commissioner Bunger requested that Christensen inform the railroad that any fence put up would have gaps because of the

wetlands. Bunger also requested that Christensen go ahead and get a sure figure on exactly how much this fence would cost.

New Business:

- **Basketball Court Paving**
 - Don Elliott pointed out the pictures of the basketball courts and Cooper and Memorial Parks and expressed his desire to have those courts refinished to avoid injury to any community members using the courts. Elliott mentioned that covering the courts was the only option short of ripping out the courts altogether.
 - Commissioner Wells moved to approve the Basketball Court Paving at Cooper and Memorial Parks in the amount of \$12,800.00 to Royer Asphalt, Inc. Commissioner Cruz seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously by rollcall-Commissioner Dobbs abstained.

Items from the Public:

- Commissioner Bunger brought up the insurance for the new building at Skare Park. Director Christensen informed the board that all forms had been submitted to the insurance company and that he was waiting to hear back. Bunger suggested giving them a little more time, but then following up with them through a letter from Phil Nye.
- Christine Wengelewski wanted to express her concern at the discussion about Spring Lake Pool and mentioned how loved the pool is and how devastated the community would be to see it closed.

Adjourn:

- There being no further business to conduct; Commissioner Norcross moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 PM. Commissioner Dobbs seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.

Roger Bunger, President
Board of Commissioners
Flagg-Rochelle Community Park District

Maureen Stevens, Recording Secretary
Flagg-Rochelle Community Park District

September 19, 2016
Date Approved