

**FLAGG-ROCHELLE COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
April 17, 2017 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 April 17, 2017. The meeting convened at 6:30 P.M. President Mic Brooks, presiding.

Roll Call:

Commissioners Present

Marshall Norcross
Dale Wells
Michelle Pease
Brent Carmichael
John Dobbs
Michael Brooks

Commissioners Absent

Michael Cruz

Staff Present: Roger Bunger, Executive Director; Don Elliott, Superintendent of Parks & Facilities

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- Commissioner Pease moved to approve the consent agenda dated April 17, 2017, as presented. Commissioner Wells seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Items from the Public:

President and/or Director Comments:

- Director Bunger suggested to the board that the bath house at Spring Lake Pool be re-painted. The price came in significantly lower than expected, so Mr. Bunger notified the board that the park district will be going forward with the cleaning and painting. Mr. Bunger also noted that he received a letter from the IDPH about Spring Lake Pool. He went to meet with an IDPH representative about the ability to open Spring Lake for the season. He found out that we are

allowed to open this season, he just needs to send a letter to IDPH to explain what we're doing to remedy the issues in the letter.

Old Business:

- **Discuss/Approve Agreement to Establish Ecological Restoration of Deer Creek in Skare Park**

- Roger Bunger explained that Tom Huddleston and Randy Vogel were in attendance to answer any questions the board may have. Mr. Bunger also explained that Tim Hayden, also in attendance, had some concerns about the project. Mr. Huddleston explained the process of buying and selling "credits" in watershed areas paying for restoration projects in order to complete other projects as required by federal regulations. Mr. Huddleston explained that the agreement was reached with Land and Water, Co. and the Park District lawyer, Phil Nye. Mr. Vogel explained that final numbers could not be determined until the agreement was signed and the project was allowed to continue. Commissioner Pease pointed out in the contract that a minimum of \$250,000 will come back to the park district. Don Elliott asked about what will happen to the two new bridges that were installed over the stream. Mr. Huddleston assured Mr. Elliott and the board that the bridges will be left alone. Adjustments may need to be made to accommodate the new water flow, but the bridges will not be impacted. Commissioner Brooks asked about additional maintenance that would need to be done as well as whether new paths and bridges would be necessary. Mr. Vogel assured Mr. Brooks that there should be no additional maintenance or paths necessary.
- Commissioner Carmichael asked for an explanation of what the board was voting on. "The agreement isn't specific and there doesn't seem to be much of a plan, so what are we voting on?" Mr. Huddleston explained that the plans will be approved by the Army Corp. of Engineers and this agreement is required to show permission for the company (Land and Water) to enter the property and form a plan to be submitted to the Army Corp. of Engineers.
- Mr. Vogel explained that "in terms of risk in this project, unless I'm missing something, there is zero risk for the Park District and 100% risk for us (Land and Water)." Commissioner Carmichael questioned whether there is a problem with holding off on the vote and waiting a month. Mr. Vogel explained that the issue with waiting is whether the company (Land and Water) continues in the timeframe. Things could possibly be delayed if the vote doesn't go through now.

- Commissioner Brooks asked Director Roger Bunger whether he recommended approval of the project. Mr. Bunger explained that he supports the project, but would like to see the amount of money coming back to the park district be higher. Mr. Huddleston said that there are other places the company could go, but would prefer to see it stay here.
- Commissioner Norcross moved to approve the agreement to establish ecological restoration of Deer Creek in Skare Park. Commissioner Carmichael seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously by roll call.

New Business:

- **Discuss/Approve Liability Insurance**

- Mr. Bunger explained that Park District liability insurance is currently carried by IPARKS, but that there have not been any comparisons done in the past 15 years. Mr. Bunger looked into PDRMA as an alternative to IPARKS. IPARKS uses separate insurance companies (the Park District uses Query currently) to manage their accounts and PDRMA uses in-house groups. IPARKS was notified 60 days in advance of the policy cancellation, as per contract guidelines, and PDRMA came out to do an audit of the parks and facilities. IPARKS negotiated and were able to drop their price \$10,000.00 for the year. PDRMA's temporary quote was \$32,000.00 which includes worker's compensation insurance. Through IPARKS we outsource our worker's comp. to IPRF and in total (worker's comp. and liability) pay about \$98,000.00 per year. Mr. Bunger said that PDRMA has not officially accepted the FRCPD, so there is not a decision to be made currently, but just wanted to update the board.
- Commissioner Wells expressed his concern about the difference in price and wanted to be sure that all of the coverage is the same despite the large difference. Mr. Bunger and Mr. Elliot assured the board of the thoroughness they've experienced with PDRMA.

Items from the Public:

Executive Session:

- Commissioner Norcross moved to adjourn to executive session. Commissioner Pease seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- Commissioner Carmichael moved to adjourn from executive session. Commissioner Pease seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Regular Session:


- Commissioner Dobbs moved to reconvene the regular session of the April 17, 2017 regular board meeting. Commissioner Pease seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action on Executive Session:

- Following executive session, Commissioner Norcross moved to approve the recommendations of the Executive Director relative to payroll increases of Park District personnel. Commissioner Wells seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously by roll call.

Adjourn:

- There being no further business to conduct; Commissioner Pease moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 PM. Commissioner Norcross seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.



Maureen Stevens, Recording Secretary
Flagg-Rochelle Community Park District



Mic Brooks, President
Board of Commissioners
Flagg-Rochelle Community Park District

May 15, 2017
Date Approved