

**LAKE BLUFF PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 16, 2009**

The Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Lake Bluff Park District, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the Recreation Center, 355 W. Washington Avenue, Lake Bluff, Illinois.

Present: Commissioner: Conroy, Ehrhard, Hart, Engelhard, President Meierhoff

Visitors: Ron Salski (Executive Director), Dave Peterson (Director of Business and Facility Services), Rob Douglass, David Ganfield, Peter Ganfield, Annie, Whitehead, Carmen Hammond, Carry Hammond, Amy Halstead, Janice Schnobrich, Jon Shabica, Charlie Shabica, Lindsay Ganfield

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Meierhoff called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

The following Commissioners were present when the roll was called:

Commissioners Conroy, Ehrhard, Hart, Engelhard, President Meierhoff

Commissioner Gronau was absent with prior notice.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Hart, seconded by Commissioner Conroy to approve the agenda of March 16, 2009. By unanimous voice vote, the agenda was approved as presented.

Ayes: Commissioners Conroy, Ehrhard, Hart, Engelhard, President Meierhoff

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Gronau

4. STATEMENT OF VISITORS:

Janice Schnobrich thanked the Board for allowing the Women's League Voters to use the room as a forum.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2009 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

A motion was made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner Engelhard to approve the January 10, 2009 minutes as presented.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Ehrhard, Engelhard, Hart
Nays: None
Abstain: Commissioner Conroy and President Meierhoff
Absent: Commissioner Gronau

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 16, 2009 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

A motion was made by Commissioner Engelhard and seconded by Commissioner Conroy to approve the February 16, 2009 minutes as presented.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Ehrhard, Engelhard, Conroy, President Meierhoff
Nays: None
Abstain: Commissioner Hart
Absent: Commissioner Gronau

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 2, 2009 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

A motion was made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner Engelhard to approve the March 2, 2009 minutes as presented.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Conroy, Ehrhard, Hart, Engelhard, President Meierhoff
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Gronau

8. FINANCE

APPROVE INVOICE SCHEDULE FOR THE PERIOD ENDING MARCH 2 & 16, 2009:

- A. Commissioner Hart had a question about the brochure printing payable. She requested staff to review the total cost of the brochure and present to the Board. She requested to review the possibility of two brochures.

Commissioner Engelhard had a question about two checks going to the Lake Bluff Racquet Club. Director Peterson mentioned the checks are for the Winter Session. Commissioner Engelhard asked if participation is up or down and Executive Director Salski mentioned it will go into the next Board Report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ehrhard and seconded by Commissioner Hart to approve the bills payable schedule period March 2, 2009 in the following amounts:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 7,278.26
RECREATION FUND	\$ 21,617.19
LIABILITY FUND	\$ 11,286.00
AUDIT FUND	\$ 2,375.00
PLATFORM TENNIS FUND	\$ 1,100.00
GOLF FUND	\$12,658.16
SWIM POOL FUND	\$ 9.98
FITNESS CENTER	\$ 3,748.49
FOR A TOTAL OF	\$60,073.08

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Conroy, Ehrhard, Hart, Engelhard, President Meierhoff

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Gronau

- B. Commissioner Engelhard had a question about a check to Kathy Mullin. Director Peterson mentioned it is a check for Tae Kwon Do who is an Independent Contractor.

President Meierhoff had a question about the large check to Workmasters. Director Peterson mentioned the Park District is 80% completed. Commissioner Engelhard mentioned the Paddle Hut Appreciation was very successful.

A motion was made by Commissioner Conroy and seconded by Commissioner Engelhard to approve the bills payable schedule period March 16, 2009 in the following amounts:

GENERAL FUND	\$13,986.68
RECREATION FUND	\$ 3,493.88
PLATFORM TENNIS FUND	\$73,532.64
GOLF COURSE FUND	\$114,221.82
FITNESS FUND	\$ 6,974.86
MASTER PLAN FUND	\$ 2,219.10
FOR A TOTAL OF	\$214,428.98

Ayes: Commissioners Conroy, Ehrhard, Hart, Engelhard, President Meierhoff

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Gronau

MONTHLY BUDGET SUMMARY REPORT

Information is on file.

TREASURER'S REPORT

President Meierhoff mentioned our Fund Balance is \$642,000 but does it include the \$250,000. Director Peterson mentioned it does include the \$250,000. Director Peterson mentioned that the Park District is at the lowest point of the year. President Meierhoff mentioned it is important to monitor.

Commissioner Hart mentioned the Income State Summary is off with the negatives. Director Peterson mentioned the \$250,000 is throwing off the balance.

9. ACTION ITEMS

A. Combined Budget and Appropriation Ordinance – 2009-BA

Director Peterson mentioned he posted the Ordinance in the newspaper and it was available for inspection for 30 days. The document is filed with the County by first quarter which is done each year.

President Meierhoff mentioned the estimate for the Golf Course is the highest it has ever been for the budget. Staff and Board worked on it together but the Park District is uncertain due to the economy. He mentioned it is only an estimate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Engelhard and seconded by Commissioner Hart to accept Ordinance 2009-BA, the 2009 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance, disclosing all necessary expenditures and liabilities in all of the District's funds for the calendar year beginning January 1, 2009 and ending December 31, 2009.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Conroy, Ehrhard, Hart, Engelhard, President Meierhoff

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Gronau

B. Presentation to recognize former Board of Commissioner

President Meierhoff recognized Former Commissioner Dave Ganfield. He mentioned that Dave was on the Board for five years and he was on for seven years. When Dave was on the Board, the Park District expanded the beach, golf course and paddle courts. David and Steve Fennel, former Board Member, were instrumental building the Recreation Center. He thanked David for his time. Applause.

Dave Ganfield gave a speech that included the following:

He thanked President Meierhoff, fellow Board Members, friends, Dave Peterson and new Executive Director Ron Salski.

He started in 1996 as his children were little, Peter was one year old, Lindsey was four and Jackie was six. They were in the Preschool program at the Park District. His first meeting was in the Community Room with one big long table and moved around. The meetings were videotaped during his tenure and wide open for those who could not make the meetings.

He was involved with every Committee and several Ad Hoc Committee meetings in addition to the Public Relations Committee related to the advantages of Community Center. He was President

four years and Vice President for two years and thereafter. He has been on the Board for 13 years with some of the most enjoyable times spending time with friends and worked with the residents to do wonderful things.

He remembered the meetings on the beach about the breakwaters and beach clean ups. Other meetings such as rerouting the streams with the boulders, building of the skating park which his son enjoys, sled hill, driving range, irrigation system, liner on the pool, tot pool, and pool slide.

He mentioned some initiatives were the Tri-Advisory Board with the Park District, Village, and School District come together to share information and ideas to move forward on projects relating to cost sharing. It is an exciting time for him to help the prior General Manager who was here for 33 years, have an appropriate contract for him to exit and see him write this wonderful history which will be a great thing for everyone. If ever had an issue, he asked Walt. He was happy to usher in a Search Committee throughout the nation to hire Ron Salski. It is tough to step down but the Park District is in good hands.

C. Sunrise Beach Development Overview – Shabica & Associates

Jon Shabica introduced himself and the pleasure to work with Ron. He introduced Charlie Shabica, father, who worked extensively with Walt.

Charlie Shabica presented information that there were many resident meetings to discuss the beach and it was a democracy to share ideas. He mentioned it was important to construct something ecologically sound. The goal was improve the ecosystem.

Jon Shabica showed a Power Point Presentation including past and present pictures. He discussed the high water mark. The presentation included the Master Plan drawings for a revetment on the east side. He mentioned the age of a boulder on the beach. President Meierhoff mentioned the beach is a tremendous resource and the Park District is going through a Master Plan to address our needs.

Executive Director Salski thanked Jon and Charlie for their analysis with the grant project. As part of the agreement, Shabica and Associates would share their findings with the Board.

Charlie Shabica discussed the steel breakwaters which may have been installed in the 1950's.

10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Department Board Reports were provided.

11. VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

Director Peterson mentioned an estimated 75 people attended the Paddle Hut Appreciation Night. He mentioned on Sunday, March 27, there will be a Fit Family for a Cure through the All For Hope Event. Families can use the Fitness Center and Paddle Facilities.

Executive Director Salski mentioned the Polar Plunge was held on March 7 and the Park District received a plaque. He mentioned the group raises significant money. Commissioner Ehrhard asked if he was a judge. Executive Director Salski mentioned that he estimated \$82,000 was raised. The IAPD Joint Legislative Committee will be holding a meeting on April 18 in Mundelein. There was a Golf Course Open House which had more people than previous years. There were nine applications for the Board Vacancy position. The Park District is going back to the ABR to revise the landscape plan and the area in front of the building. He introduced Rob Douglass.

Rob Douglass mentioned the front of the hut needs revisions due to the grade changes. There is a 33 inch drop from the sidewalk. He mentioned the Village staff requires the Park District to go back and address with the ABR. He is working with Cliff Miller to refine the plan.

President Meierhoff mentioned the discussions with the City and School District regarding the Tunnel Project under Rt. 176. There have been many discussions for the \$1.4 million project but. If residents have pros and cons, please bring them forth to the Board. One of the issues is safety crossing Rt. 176 which is considered. It is not a done deal as not everyone has money.

12. ADJOURMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner Conroy to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Conroy, Ehrhard, Hart, Engelhard, President Meierhoff

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Gronau

Approved this 20 day of April 2009
Board of Commissioners
Lake Bluff Park District