

**LAKE BLUFF PARK DISTRICT
PROPERTY AND PUBLIC LAND USE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 16, 2015**

The Special Property and Public Land Use Advisory Committee Meeting of the Lake Bluff Park District, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the Recreation Center, 355 W. Washington Avenue, Lake Bluff, Illinois.

Present: Members: Dewart, Nordeen, Russell, Snoblin, Moss, Kraus

Visitors: Ron Salski (Executive Director)

OPENING ITEMS

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Kraus called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The following Members were present when the roll was called:

Members: Dewart, Nordeen, Russell, Snoblin, Moss, Kraus

Member Douglass, Gottshall and Reidy were absent. Member Snoblin left at 8:00 p.m.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Dewart to approve the agenda of June 16, 2015. Seconded by Member Snoblin. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. STATEMENT OF VISITORS

None

MINUTES

1. APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2015 SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

A motion was made by Member Snoblin to approve the minutes of May 19, 2015.

Seconded by Member Nordeen. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. DISCUSS NEXT STEPS

Co-Chair Kraus mentioned that Co-Chair Moss and he are looking for consensus on most portions or entire report. He mentioned the Committee will look at the summary review forms. Co-Chair Moss mentioned there are three sections that need to be finalized for the July meeting. He mentioned content needs to be gathered and redrafted, sent out, deadlines met, and Co-Chairs will finalize the details.

Co-Chair Kraus mentioned the purpose and objectives were taken from the Park District's Resolution. Members agreed page one was good.

Member Russell had questions about the check marks in the process on page two. Member Snoblin had recommended verbiage. Member Dewart suggested accentuating the last two sentences. Members agreed with the revisions.

Co-Chair Kraus outlined the second page was a process page. Member Russell had questions about the first paragraph and whether to revise. Member Snoblin suggested revisions and deletions. Members agreed with revisions.

Member Russell had questions and concerns about the second paragraph related to the national and state standards. Co-Chair Kraus stated the Park District needed to complete and requested the Park District complete immediately.

Member Dewart suggested revising the sentence order in the third paragraph. Members agreed. Member Dewart suggested separating the paragraph. Members agreed.

Co-Chair Kraus presented the Sectors and Parcels section on page 4. Member Russell and other members suggested revising and adding language to boundary anomalies numbers through eight. Members agreed. Member Russell mentioned that there wasn't an Appendix C-1 under Sectors and Parcels. Members agreed and Member Russell mentioned he would complete.

Co-Chair Kraus presented Sector Summary Review Forms section on page 5. Member Snoblin had questions about the Sector Summary Review Forms and asked if Member Reidy could assist.

Co-Chair Kraus presented the Themes and Guiding Principles section on page 5 and asked if the Committee was comfortable with the section. Members had questions about the section and document. Co-Chair Moss mentioned it was a framework for the Committee. Co-Chair Kraus requested Ron Salski send out to the Committee.

Co-Chair Kraus presented the Inventory and Comparison section on page 6. Member Snoblin mentioned she had reviewed. Co-Chair Kraus mentioned the last paragraph needed additional language and be revised. Member Snoblin suggested additional language to sentences. Co-Chair Moss mentioned that even though it was a working draft, the Committee was working towards a standard. Co-Chair Moss and Snoblin suggested language revisions.

Co-Chair Kraus presented Themes and Guiding Principles section on page 6. He mentioned a document was drafted with Attorney review. He suggested the Park District send out immediately.

Co-Chair Kraus presented Findings and Observations on page 7. He mentioned it was an overarching principle that the Committee needs to be comfortable with. Member Dewart asked if it was a guiding principle and how best to keep the balance. He mentioned it was a core section of the document. Co-Chair Kraus agreed. Co-Chair Moss mentioned it was complimentary and the section was more high level observations. Member Snoblin agreed. Co-Chair Kraus mentioned it was stronger than observations and could be recommendations. Co-Chair Kraus discussed the first bullet point. He mentioned there was a lot of government overlap and how can government officials work together.

Member Russell agreed. Members discussed the Sheridan Road Green Strip. Member Russell suggested deleting the first sentence in the third bullet point. Members discussed and agreed. Member Nordeen discussed the lake levels. Co-Chair Kraus suggested revising the second sentence. Member Nordeen asked if there could be a connection from Lillian Dells and Sunrise Park and Beach. Co-Chair Kraus stated that it is important to put ideas in a plan whether funding is relevant or not. Member Nordeen discussed that if the house on West Washington Avenue was demolition to turn into prairie. Members agreed to revise the word principles to recommendations.

Co-Chair Kraus discussed zoning on page 8. He asked Member Russell how feasible or worthwhile. Member Russell mentioned that he didn't understand why the Park District and School District property were zoned all single family residential. He mentioned if it was rezoned park land that it would limit the Park District to sell land. Member Russell mentioned it would add more protection for those concerned about open lands. Co-Chair Moss asked Member Russell if the Village was zoned single family residential and if they should be included to be zoned differently. Member Russell agreed. Co-Chair Kraus mentioned the report was mostly focused on the Park District. Members agreed with keeping the statement.

Member Dewart mentioned the priorities should continue to be reviewed.

Co-Chair Kraus asked if pages 8 and 9 are categorized properly and how to get comments on the sector review forms. He outlined the various bullet points. Member Nordeen asked about the fifth bullet point and whether to eliminate the verbiage related to NE portion of Mawman Park. Member Russell suggested that it functions as part of the owners. Co-Chair Kraus suggested removing ROWs and NE portion of Mawman Park verbiage and keep Transfers to Residents. Members agreed.

Member Russell suggested adding verbiage in the 21 properties section about adding a tunnel under Rt. 176. Members agreed.

Co-Chair Moss suggested revising the 3 properties identified for special study areas section related to the Stonebridge Development header. He suggested revising to Stonebridge Development Park. Members agreed. Co-Chair Kraus mentioned ideas were added to the document for the Village owned parcel south of ILL 176 near the water treatment plant and golf course.

Co-Chair Kraus mentioned that Jim and he would put together a deck for review and working with the various government agencies to present. He mentioned a timeline and important to turn around quickly.

Co-Chair Moss asked what would be the appropriate exhibit. Co-Chair Kraus outlined the information in the document. Member Russell mentioned if anyone reviewed the fact sheet recommendations and he suggests removing the recommendations from the fact sheets. Co-Chair Moss suggested having one appendix for all documents with a cover sheet.

Co-Chair Kraus asked that the Committee come with a final report, bike path information, park district information and appendices by the July meeting for approval. He mentioned Members need to submit by July 7.

Member Russell mentioned that he is concerned with the property homeowner on the south end of Sunrise Park and Beach. He mentioned the contractor mentioned that the property owner would love to have five or ten feet of more land. Member Russell was concerned about selling the property homeowner a 10 or 20 foot strip along the tableland. He didn't know how the Committee felt about it and it is a real situation for the Committee. Co-Chair Kraus asked if the current driveway is on park land. Member Russell was wondering if the Committee should take a stance on the situation. Members reviewed the parcel. Member Russell mentioned that they have an easement right. Member Russell was concerned about the Park District potentially selling the land. Co-Chair Kraus suggested revising and deleting verbiage in the document about encroachments. Members agreed.

2. NEXT MEETING DATE

Chair Kraus stated the next meeting is July 21, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Member Dewart and seconded by Co-Chair Moss to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Approved, July 21, 2015