

Vernon Hills Park District
Minutes of the Special Board Meeting
May 14, 2009 - 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order. The Special Meeting of the Vernon Hills Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by President Doerhoefer at 6:05 at the Larry Laschen Community Center located at 294 Evergreen Drive, Vernon Hills.

2. Roll Call. Present: Commissioners Cynthia Peterson, Carol Sente and David Doerhoefer. Staff – Marla Pineiro, Orin Main, Tom Ritter, and Ruth Horndasch. Dan Dalziel from 3D Design and residents Bruce Robbins and Darryl Klem.

3. Pledge of Allegiance. President Doerhoefer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. New Business – Public Meeting – Century Park North End Recreational Enhancements

- a. President Doerhoefer stated that the purpose of the Special Meeting was to hold a town meeting for residents of Vernon Hills to give feedback concerning the planned recreational enhancements at the north end of Century Park.
- b. Presentation of proposed enhancements to the north end of Century Park by 3D Design Studio. Using charts, Dan Dalziel of 3D Design explained the features and designs being considered for the north end of Century Park and OSLAD Grant Application.
- c. Comments regarding the north end of Century Park enhancements by Park Board members and residents were positive.
- d. After a brief discussion, the following features were identified as favorable possibilities to include in the OSLAD Grant application:
 - Restroom, Warming and Day Camp Building
 - Fishing Deck and Pier
 - (6) Tri-Active Fitness Equipment Stations and Child Fitness Area
 - Teen Activity Area
 - Sand Volleyball Court
 - (2) Bocce, (2) Horseshoe and Seating Area
 - (2) Fishing Overlook/Ledges
 - 10' Wide Vehicular Bridge
 - New Walking Paths
 - Shoreline Erosion Control Treatments and Overlook Areas
 - Weather Protection Shelter/Picnic Shelter
 - New Dugouts (at existing practice ball fields)
 - New Skate Park (location to be determined)
 - Arboretum/Interpretive Trail within the Island (promote education/conservation)
 - Cricket Pitch and Practice Area
 - Path Connections to the East and West (Lakeview Pkwy and Indianwood Dr)
 - Additional Large Picnic Shelters and/or Small Shade Structures
 - Permanent Baggo Goals for Visitors
 - Interactive Spray Park

- Ice Rink / In-Line Skating Area (consider for future)
- Native Prairie Plants and Wet Prairie Demonstration Area w/ Interpretive Signs
- Osprey Nesting Platforms
- Renovate Basketball with Circle (3 ½ courts)
- Butterfly Garden

4. Adjournment

Upon proper motion and second, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the Special Meeting at 7:35 pm.

Michael E. Meline, Board Secretary