

**Vernon Hills Park District
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
January 20, 2011 – 6:30p.m.**

1. **Call to Order.** The Regular Meeting of the Vernon Hills Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by President Ballowe at 6:35p.m. at the Laschen Community Center, 294 Evergreen Drive, Vernon Hills.
2. **Roll Call.** Present: Commissioners Doerhoefer, Meline, Kessler, Robbins and Ballowe. Staff –Jeff Fougrousse, Orin Main, Tom Ritter, Marla Pineiro, Cheryl Baron and Cathy Marcangelo.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.** President Ballowe led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Omnibus Vote Agenda**
 - A. **Minutes of the Special Park Board Meeting of December 16, 2010**
 - B. **Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 16, 2010**
 - C. **Payables (less Grainger) & Payroll through January 20, 2011 in the amount of \$195,105.80**
Motion by Commissioner Doerhoefer to approve items A - C of the Omnibus Vote Agenda. Second by Commissioner Meline.
Ayes: Commissioners Meline, Robbins, Kessler, Doerhoefer and Ballowe
Nays: None Motion carries.
5. **Welcome to Visitors and Guests - Public Comment Period** – No Public Comments.
6. **Financial Reports for the Period Ending December 31, 2010** - Financial reports were accepted for file and audit.
7. **Reports/Communication**
 - A. **Executive Director– Jeff Fougrousse** – Report attached.
 - B. **Finance and HR Superintendent – Marla Pineiro** – Report attached.
 - C. **Recreation Superintendent – Tom Ritter** – Report attached.
 - D. **Parks Superintendent – Orin Main** – Report attached.
 - E. **Communications Manager – Cheryl Baron** – Report attached.
 - F. **Commissioner/Committee Reports and Communications** –
 - 1) **Park District/Village Liaison Committee – Commissioners Ballowe & Doerhoefer**– President Ballowe reported that the Village Liaison Committee met on January 11th and discussed the VHCYAA Affiliate Agreement.
 - 2) **Park District/ School Dist. 73 Liaison Committee – Commissioner Meline** – No report.
 - G. **Board Correspondence** – President Ballowe read a letter from the IPRA which informed and congratulated the Vernon Hills Park District for earning the No Employee Left Behind (NELB) Award.
8. **Unfinished Business** – No unfinished business.
9. **New Business**
 - A. **Surplus Property Ordinance 1-11**

Executive Director Fougrousse explained that Surplus Property Ordinance 1-11 will initiate the district to downsize to smaller more efficient and hybrid vehicles. This ties into the Park District's Strategic Plan to work towards incorporating more green initiatives into our functions. President Ballowe asked for a motion to approve Surplus Property Ordinance 1-11. Motion by Commissioner Doerhoefer to approve Ordinance 1-11. Second by Commissioner Robbins. Ayes: Commissioners Robbins, Kessler, Meline, Doerhoefer and Ballowe
Nays: None Motion carries.

B. W.W. Grainger Invoices Payable

Motion by Commissioner Robbins to approve the W.W. Grainger invoices in the amount of \$697.89. Second by Commissioner Kessler. Ayes: Commissioners Kessler, Robbins, Meline and Ballowe Abstention: Commissioner Doerhoefer
Nays: None Motion carries.

10. Commissioner Comments

A. Commissioner Ballowe – No comment.

B. Commissioner Doerhoefer – Commissioner Doerhoefer thanked Executive Director Fougrousse for arranging the Public Officials Meeting which took place on January 19th. The meeting was attended by local administrators from the Village, Police Department, Fire District, School Districts, Library and State Representative Carol Sente. The meeting was a great opportunity for government bodies to communicate with one another and share resources. The plan is to continue these meetings on a quarterly basis.

C. Commissioner Meline – No comment.

D. Commissioner Robbins – No comment.

E. Commissioner Kessler – No comment.

11. Adjournment

Upon proper motion and second, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting 7:04p.m.

Jeff Fougrousse, Park Board Secretary

James E. Ballowe, Park Board President