

**Vernon Hills Park District
Minutes of the Rescheduled Regular Board Meeting
July 22, 2009 – 6:00 pm**

1. **Call to Order.** The rescheduled regular meeting of the Vernon Hills Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by President Ballowe at 6:07pm at the Laschen Community Center, 294 Evergreen Drive, Vernon Hills.
2. **Roll Call.** Present: Commissioners Doerhoefer, Meline, Sente, Robbins, and Ballowe. Staff –Jeff Fougousse, Marla Pineiro, Tom Ritter, Orin Main, Cheryl Baron and Ruth Horndasch. Others present: Linda and Steve Fougousse and Barb Heller, Pros Consulting.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.** President Ballowe led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Oath of Office for Newly Appointed Executive Director – Jeff Fougousse**
Park Board Secretary Meline administered the Oath of Office to Newly Appointed Executive Director Jeff Fougousse. Executive Director Fougousse thanked the Park Board and staff for the warm welcome to the District.
5. **Public Meeting – Pros Consulting Community Survey Presentation**
Barb Heller from Pros Consulting provided a PowerPoint presentation to the Board and community explaining the positive results of the recent community attitude and interest survey concerning the Vernon Hills Park District.
6. **Omnibus Vote Agenda**
 - A. **Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 25, 2009**
 - B. **Payables (less Grainger) & Payroll through July 22, 2009 in the amount of \$326,338.56**
Motion by Commissioner Meline to approve items A & B of the Omnibus Vote Agenda. Second by Commissioner Sente.
Ayes: Commissioners Meline, Robbins, Sente, Doerhoefer and Ballowe
Nays: None Motion carries
7. **Welcome to Visitors and Guests - Public Comment Period**
8. **Financial Reports for the Period Ending June 30, 2009 -** Financial reports were accepted for file and audit.
9. **Reports/Communication**
 - A. **Executive Director– Jeff Fougousse** – Report attached. Commissioner Sente asked for a Board consensus regarding the kick off date of September 17, 2009 for the Strategic Plan process. The consensus of the Board is to meet on September 17, 2009.
 - 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 Sente and Ballowe** – No report. The Committee plans to meet in late August, early September and requested that any agenda items be forwarded to Commissioners Sente or Ballowe or Executive Director Fougousse.

2) Park District/Hawthorn School District 73 Liaison Committee – Commissioner Meline – No report.

F. Board Correspondence – President Ballowe stated that the District received two letters. The first letter is from Partners for Tobacco Free Lake County who thanked the District for updating the District’s smoking policy making playgrounds, athletic fields and the skate park smoke-free. The second letter is from the Village of Vernon Hills thanking the District for using Century Park for the 2009 Fourth of July Celebrations.

10. New Business

A. Appointment – Replacement of Park Board Secretary

Motion by Park Board Secretary Meline to appoint Executive Director Fougrousse as Park Board Secretary. Second by Commissioner Robbins.

Ayes: Commissioners Robbins, Sente, Meline, Doerhoefer and Ballowe

Nays: None Motion carries.

B. Approval of Executive Director 2009/2010 Goals

Motion by Commissioner Robbins to approve Executive Director Fougrousse’s 2009/2010 Goals. Second by Commissioner Sente.

Ayes: Commissioners Sente, Robbins, Doerhoefer, Meline and Ballowe

Nays: None Motion carries.

C. Select Date for Strategic Plan Meeting

Previously discussed under agenda item 9A.

D. Family Aquatic Center Pool Heater Repairs

Executive Director Fougrousse explained to the Board that it was necessary to declare an emergency to repair the pool heaters at the Family Aquatic Center in order to maintain proper water temperature. Meilner Mechanical submitted a quote in the amount of \$30,055.60 to repair the heaters for the leisure pool, lazy river and slides. The District is requesting that the pool heater repairs be declared an emergency and approve Meilner Mechanical to complete the repair work to add a pump recirculation system to the four pool heaters at the Family Aquatic Center at a cost not to exceed \$31,000.00. Motion by Commissioner Sente to declare repairs to the pool heaters at the Family Aquatic Center an emergency and approve Meilner Mechanical to complete the repairs at a cost not to exceed \$31,000.00. Second by Commissioner Robbins.

Ayes: Commissioners Sente, Doerhoefer, Meline, Robbins and Ballowe.

Nays: None Motion carries.

E. W.W. Grainger Invoices Payable

Motion by Commissioner Meline to approve the W.W. Grainger invoices in the amount of \$230.35.

Second by Commissioner Sente.

Ayes: Commissioners Meline, Robbins, Sente and Ballowe. Abstention: Commissioner Doerhoefer

Nays: None Motion carries.

11. Adjournment

Upon proper motion and second, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:12pm.

Jeff Fougrousse, Park Board Secretary