

**Vernon Hills Park District
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
June 25, 2009 – 6:00 pm**

1. **Call to Order.** The regular meeting of the Vernon Hills Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by President Ballowe at 6:05pm at the Laschen Community Center, 294 Evergreen Drive, Vernon Hills.
2. **Roll Call.** Present: Commissioners Doerhoefer, Meline, Sente, Robbins, Ballowe. Staff –Marla Pineiro, Tom Ritter, Orin Main, Cheryl Baron and Ruth Horndasch. Others present: Dan Dalziel, 3D Design Studio; Residents: J. Bakker and John & Beth Kiester. Also, Katy and Nancy Rossman of Russell, IL and B. deWekker of Waukegan with members of Reality Illinois – No smoking group.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.** President Ballowe led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Public Hearing – Ordinance 2-09 – Budget and Appropriation Ordinance**
President Ballowe announced that the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance Hearing is now open.

In accordance with Illinois State Law, the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance has been made conveniently available for 30 days prior to this Budget Hearing. Notice of this public hearing was published in a newspaper of general circulation, the Pioneer Press, on June 11, 2009. The combined annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance appropriates the monies that are necessary to cover the projected expenses and liabilities the District may incur in its next budget year. The ordinance must be passed and approved within or before the first quarter of the fiscal year.

Would anyone like to come forward with any comments or questions for the Board concerning Ordinance 2-09, Budget and Appropriation of Funds? No one came forward with comments or questions. The Budget and Appropriation Hearing is now closed.

5. **Omnibus Vote Agenda**
 - A. **Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 14, 2009**
 - B. **Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 28, 2009**
 - C. **Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 4, 2009**
 - D. **Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 17, 2009**
 - E. **Payables (less Grainger) & Payroll through June 25, 2009 in the amount of \$436,658.44**
 - F. **Ordinance 3-09 – Prevailing Wage Ordinance**

Motion by Commissioner Sente to approve items A through F of the Omnibus Vote Agenda. Second by Commissioner Meline.

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

Nays: None Motion carries

6. **Welcome to Visitors and Guests - Public Comment Period** – Residents John and Beth Kiester approached the podium to address the Board to express their concerns at the Family Aquatic Center regarding adult swim and fitness. Resident John and Beth Kiester commented that there are too many underage swimmers using the lap lanes and suggested that adult swim lanes be kept clear of underage swimmers so adults can swim laps.
7. **Financial Reports for the Period Ending May 31, 2009** - Financial reports were accepted for file and audit.
8. **Reports/Communication**
 - A. **Interim Executive Director/Finance & HR Superintendent – Marla Pineiro** – Report attached.

B. Recreation Superintendent – Tom Ritter – Report attached.

C. Parks Superintendent – Orin Main – Report attached.

D. Communications Manager – Cheryl Baron – Report attached.

E. Commissioner/Committee Reports and Communications –

1) **Park District/Village Liaison Committee – Commissioner Sente** – No report.

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

F. Board Correspondence – President Ballowe stated that a thank you letter was received from the U.S. Department of Commerce, addressed to Debi Miller, Office Manager for the Laschen Community Center, thanking the District for providing a test and training site for the U.S. Census Bureau for the early phases of the 2010 Census.

9. New Business

A. Special Recognition – Commissioner David Doerhoefer

President Ballowe approached the podium and presented Commissioner Doerhoefer with a plaque to recognize his 2 years of past service as the Park Board President and to thank him on behalf of the Park Board for his time, effort and dedication to the District. Commissioner Doerhoefer respectfully accepted the years of service plaque and thanked the Park Board.

B. Century Park North – Resolution of Authorization

Dan Dalziel of 3D Design Studio approached the podium and gave the Park Board the final plan and a brief update on the OSLAD grant proposal and handed out the final drawing and cost sheet for the project. The Resolution of Authorization requires the District to certify that it has the funds necessary to complete the proposed project and that the District will comply with all terms, conditions and regulations of the OSLAD program. Motion by Commissioner Meline to approve the Resolution of Authorization of Century Park North. Second by Commissioner Sente.

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

Nays: None Motion carries.

C. Ordinance 2-09 – Budget and Appropriations FY 09-10

Interim Director/Finance & HR Supt. Pineiro explained to the Board that the combined budget and appropriation Ordinance 2-09 appropriates the monies necessary to cover the projected expenses and liabilities the District may incur in its next budget year. Motion by Commissioner Sente to approve Ordinance 2-09 – Budget and Appropriations of Funds an Ordinance Making a Combined Annual Budget and Appropriation of Funds for the Vernon Hills Park District for the Fiscal Year beginning June 1, 2009 ending May 31, 2010. Second by Commissioner Ballowe.

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

Nays: None Motion carries.

D. Ordinance 4-09 Draft – Amendment to District Ordinance 2-04

Interim Director/Finance and HR Supt. Pineiro explained that a draft ordinance to prohibit smoking in the District's playgrounds, skate park(s), and athletic fields and applicable fines for violating the policy has been completed for the Board's consideration. The Ordinance has been reviewed by Friedman and Holtz and once approved will amend the District's Conduct Ordinance 2-04 by replacing Section 2.33 Smoking. Motion by Commissioner Sente to approve Ordinance 4-09 An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2-04 to Amend and Extend the Prohibition Against Smoking and to Prescribe a Fine for the Violation. Second by Commissioner Robbins.

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

Nays: None Motion carries.

E. Change Date for the Regular July Park Board Meeting

Interim Director/Finance and HR Supt. Pineiro explained that the IAPD Legislative Golf Outing is scheduled on the same day as the July Regular Board Meeting of July 23, 2009 and suggested changing the date to July 30th, 2009. After a brief discussion, the consensus of the Board is to change the July 23, 2009 Board Meeting date to July 22, 2009. Motion by Commissioner Meline to change the meeting date of the Regular Park Board Meeting from July 23, 2009 to July 22, 2009. Second by Commissioner Sente.

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

Nays: None Motion carries.

F. W.W. Grainger Invoices Payable

Motion by Commissioner Meline to approve the W.W. Grainger invoices in the amount of \$508.04.

Second by Commissioner Sente.

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

Nays: None Motion carries.

10. Adjournment

Upon proper motion and second, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:56pm.

Michael E. Meline, Park Board Secretary