

**Burr Ridge Park District
Regular Meeting
May 8, 2017**

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Burr Ridge Park District was called to order at the Burr Ridge Community Center at 6:31 pm by Vice President Caplis.

Present:	Board Members: Caplis, Lawrence, Malloy
Absent:	Board Members: Fara, Quigley
Also Present:	Director Jim Pacanowski Superintendent of Finance, Jamie Janusz Superintendent of Recreation, Lavonne Campbell Members of the Community

APPROVE

April 10, 2017 Agenda

No changes were made to the Agenda.

April 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

The April 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes were tabled until the next regular meeting.

April 10, 2017 Executive Session Meeting Minutes

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OPEN FORUM

Barbara Dohrman, of 15W055 83rd Street, Burr Ridge, representing the Burr Ridge Park Foundation, thanked the Board for adjusting the budget in order to complete the Fitness Court in time for a spring opening, and Jim Pacanowski for the assistance in the planning, purchasing of products and installation of equipment. The Fitness Court is complete and looks beautiful and has already been used by residents. Dohrman introduced Laurie Chang.

Laurie Chang, of 9550 Pacific Ct., Burr Ridge, representing the Burr Ridge Park Foundation, thanked the Board, Kathy Bergholz, and Jim Pacanowski for their assistance with the Fitness Court and presented the Board with a check for \$33,135.00 for a contribution from the Foundation to be used to offset half the cost of the Fitness Court.

Dawn Kalata, of W9125 Archer Road, Almond, Wisconsin, accompanied by John Billit, address unknown., were in attendance regarding the annexation of property to the Burr Ridge Park District agenda issue. Kalata asked the Board if it was mandatory to annex to the park district.

Caplis stated that in order for the park district to annex the Spectrum Development, the Board must legally also annex any property or land contiguous to the Spectrum Development. In this instance there are 4 properties in addition to the Spectrum Development that this involves. The Board invited Spectrum to voluntarily annex to the park district as this development would be utilizing the services the park district offers, especially our large and successful senior citizen program. This attempt failed, however, which has led to a forced annexation. It would not be doing a service to the rest of our taxpayers if we allow a large development such as Spectrum to utilize the park district's facilities without being annexed.

Kalata expressed financial hardship for the additional taxes incurred with the annexation. In addition, Kalata asked that the park district be a good neighbor and not force annex the property.

Upon discussion it was calculated that the taxes to the park district for the Kalata residence would be approximately an additional \$141.00. Pacanowski informed Kalata that the Board went above and beyond to be a good neighbor as the only legal notice required for force annexation of property is a 30 day notice in the newspaper. However, the Board sent a personal letter to each individual homeowner so that they would be certain to be aware of the annexation process in order to ask questions and speak to the Board at the meeting prior to the finalization of the process.

John Billit, asked if the Board approached Spectrum directly.

Caplis responded that the Board did approach Spectrum directly and the hope was that they would voluntarily annex.

Billit asked if the vacant land would be annexed as well.

Caplis responded that the vacant property is also part of the annexation process.

Caplis also stated that the taxes for the park district will not go into effect until the 2018 bill.

Kalata asked if the residents could fight the annexation.

Caplis stated that it is their right to hire an attorney to fight annexation to the park district. However, the park district has a legal right to annex property.

Kalata thanked the Board for their time.

Billit thanked the Board for their time.

CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing further added to the written correspondence.

REPORTS

Director of Parks and Recreation

Nothing further added to the written report.

Superintendent of Finance

Nothing further added to the written report.

Recreation Division

Nothing further added to the written report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Unfinished Business

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Ordinance 17-03 Authorizing the Annexation of Property to the Burr Ridge Park District Bearing the Common Addresses of 10S507 Rt. 83, Hinsdale; 10S517 Kingery Rd., Hinsdale; 10S521 Rt. 83, Burr Ridge, and 10S521 Rt. 83, Hinsdale

Caplis asked if there were any more questions or discussion.

Pacanowski stated that he will have a discussion with the Village of Burr Ridge regarding piggy-backing with the Village on future annexation proceedings.

Malloy stated that "Notice of the proposed annexation was provided to the property owners via regular and certified mail. One owner did not accept the certified mail, but in all other respects notice of the action was provided. A copy of the certified mail receipts will be retained in Park District files." Malloy moved to Approve Ordinance 17-03 Authorizing the Annexation of Property to the Burr Ridge Park District Bearing the Common Addresses of 10S507 Rt. 83, Hinsdale; 10S517 Kingery Rd., Hinsdale; 10S521 Rt. 83, Burr Ridge, and 10S521 Rt. 83, Hinsdale, seconded by Lawrence, and approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Caplis, Lawrence, Malloy Nays: None Abstain: None

Adopt FY 2017-18 Budget in Tentative Form

In addition to the written report, Caplis reminded the Board that there is a small cushion in the Budget.

Malloy moved to Adopt FY 2017-18 Budget in Tentative Form, seconded by Lawrence and approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Caplis, Lawrence, Malloy Nays: None Abstain: None

Set FY 2017-18 Budget & Appropriations Public Hearing Date

Since there is a required 30 day preview period required by law, the next regular meeting will meet this requirement.

Malloy moved to Set the FY 2017-18 Budget & Appropriations Public Hearing Date on June 12, 2017 at 6:30 pm, seconded by Lawrence and approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Caplis, Lawrence, Malloy Nays: None Abstain: None

Review Summer 2017 Program Budgets

In addition to the written report, Pacanowski stated that the group limit for Harvester Park usage is now set at 15 instead of 25. Harvester Park was still experiencing

overcrowding with groups of 25 attending the park, therefore it was decided to reduce the maximum to 15. We expect to be actively enforcing in the next several weeks as summer arrives.

Review National Recreation & Park Association Performance Benchmarks

Pacanowski presented the Board with a snapshot of how the Burr Ridge Park District compared with National Parks.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Caplis asked for verification of prepaid Andy's Landscaping bill.
Janusz stated that it is a reverse expense in the budget.

Caplis asked for verification of an unusually high Com Ed bill.
Janusz responded that the air conditioning is now being used.

Caplis asked for verification of a \$1,700 adult trip expense.
Campbell responded that it was for various optional trip expenses for a Foodie trip for a senior outing.

Caplis asked for verification of a prepaid concession bill for \$1,500.
Pacanowski responded that this is to get the plumbing pressurized and ready for opening after winterization.

Caplis asked for verification of a VanHoegarden bill.
Pacanowski responded that this bill is for excavation for the Fitness court and the dig site.

Caplis asked for verification of the Hinsdale High School bill.
Pacanowski responded that this is the end of the year bill for rental of the facilities.

Caplis asked for verification of the Kenneth Company bill.
Pacanowski responded that the bill was for construction of the fitness court.

Caplis asked for verification of the Kenneth bill for resetting paver bricks.
Pacanowski responded that this bill was for resetting the paver blocks at the circle in Harvester Park.

Malloy moved, seconded by Lawrence to Approve the May bills.

Ayes: Caplis, Lawrence, Malloy Nays: None Abstain: None

ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Malloy moved, seconded by Lawrence to Adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Stednitz
Recording Secretary