Elmhurst Park District Board

April 23, 2018

LWV Observer: Nicholas Perrone, Elmhurst College

Meeting began at 7:00

Attendance: Vince Spaeth- President; Commissioner Ennis absent; Commissioners present: Graf, Kies, Sheehan, Ubriaco, Morissette-Moll

- Superintendent Ryan Massengill for Gateway:
- Rec coordinator job position filled
- Gateway survey is being put together
- Discussion was had about banking and thoughts of moving checking account to a bank with no fees; money market account possibly moving as well
- Work has begun on 2018-19 budget
- Board officers will be elected in May at next meeting
- Approval of both open and closed April 9th meeting minutes
- No motion needed for software update
- Last week live database copied to demo of new software for testing with staff
- Results were not positive as indicated by poor functionality when responses were received in high numbers, but with low user numbers it worked fine
- Software update is coming with fixes to test fully
- Lizzadro Museum Building
- President Spaeth wanted to hold off on making a decision for the time being
- Costs of building and demolition assessed
- Family doesn't intend on vacating building until end of next year
- Question by Commissioner Sheehan about maintenance and operating costs for building

- Consideration for adding windows because the current building does not contain any
- Commissioner Ubriaco spoke against the plausibility of keeping the building.

Discussed the additional square footage of Wilder Park if building is to be demolished

Building was stated to be very accessible

Commissioner Kies brought up agreeing with both sides of the argument: demolishing or keeping building for future use Commissioner Sheehan stated no opposition to taking down building but would rather exhaust options to reuse it first

Ideas given for a theater or future art exhibit space Commissioner Morissette-Moll echoed both sides of the argument Commissioner Spaeth brought up addressing areas of the park as a whole

Commissioner Graf would also like to see an open space

New business

Presentation on Gateway Special Recreation Association

Countryside recently added

Breakdown of employees

Growth in attendance shown as well as expansions of groups

• Director Rogers' contract amendment to increase salary by 1%, a one-time bonus, and life insurance.

Motion moved to amend contract and approved

Board information items

Commissioner Kies spoke about ride program for seniors to doctors; also brought up wellness checks being done. The next senior board meeting is May 9th

Comissioner Graf brought up western prairie clean up

- Future agenda
- Staff announcements for various departments stated