

Elmhurst Park District Meeting
May 14, 2014
7:00pm- 8:35pm

7 Present; 0 Absent
1 Public; 7 Staff
Elmhurst College Student Observer: E. Ehmann

- I. President Ubriaco called the meeting to order at 7:13PM.**
- II. Addition/Deletions/Changes to Agenda**
 - a. Request to consent meeting minutes agenda and annual meeting minutes
 - b. Lizardo meeting time and date be added to upcoming meetings. It is on 5/15 at 7:00pm
- III. Remarks/Correspondence From Visitors**
 - a. Correspondence: Jan Milano said that the grand opening for the conservatory was a terrific celebration in honor of the conservatory. She said thank you for the gifts received.
 - b. State representative Deb Conroy stated, congrats on the grand open of the conservatory and that she was thankful for the plaque.
 - c. Res Long said thank you for partnering on the Elmhurst Park at the art in the park, it was a very successful event this year.
- IV. Committee Reports**
 - a. Gateway
 - i. Day camp program will use first student as a means for transportation. Also, they have begun the 2014-2015 budget, and they expect to have a 1.5% increase from RJE
 - b. PEP
 - i. Decided to dissolve the scholarship they have, and instead, the money will go directly to the district.
 - ii. Reviewed the upcoming golf outing. Currently there are 89 golfers signed up.
 - c. Storm Water Sub Committee
 - i. There was some miscommunication, because in the last meeting they tentatively set the next meeting date to May 12th where the city was going to give an update, but they never confirmed the date, therefore the aldermen did not attend.
- V. Consent agenda (The vote to approve the minutes were unanimous)**
 - a. Approval of April 23th, 2014 regular meeting minutes.
 - b. Approval of April 23th, 2014 closed meeting minutes.
 - c. Check Registers
 - d. Disposal Ordinance O-06-14
- VI. Board Business**
 - a. *Unfinished Business (Old)*
 - i. Approved at annual meetings
 1. Commissioner Kubiesa asked should they wait to the vote on the meeting minutes until the next year. No one was quite sure of the proper procedure for the annual meeting minutes. Therefore, they decided to table to the discussion. They will bring it back to the table next meeting after reading the proper policies and procedures for annual meeting minutes.

- ii. Committee appointment
 - 1. Kubiesa respectfully declined the appointment to the art museum meetings
 - 2. The park district will wait to vote on the new appointment until a new representative is in place
- iii. Storm Water Management Discussion- City of Elmhurst Memorandum
 - 1. At the April meeting, the park district requested from the city an update on storm water and where they were in the process. The city manager called Jim Rogers and told him the memorandum included the updates. Roger noted a couple of points to rise, which included numbers, 3,4,5,6. They were the timeliest and have to do with policy.
 - 2. Vice President Spaeth brought to the boards attention we need to look at the things we may have to sacrifice, but it may be a good thing, but needs to make sure the sacrifices are making an impact. Some doubts—and questions that will be asked in future agendas. Hoping to look at V3 engineering firm for some clarity and answers.

b. *New Business*

- i. 2014 First Quarter Financial Report (Kathy)
 - 1. Revenues and expenditures are graphed out in the packet given to the board
 - a. Most of revenues were tax revenues.
 - b. Expenditures were a little high in 2014 because of overtime pay in the winter.
 - c. Revenues are down for recreational programs.
 - d. Expenses are little higher wages, utility costs, repairs, and part time maintenance
 - 2. Sugar creek expenditure is higher compared to past quarter financial reports due to the broken pipe in the club house and the costs to fix that.
 - 3. Funds all combined, which are revenues by sources.
 - a. More donations this quarter, re-subdivision of ordinances which gave more neighborhoods in the Elmhurst District, conservatory update brought in more revenue with the re-opening.
 - b. Rentals are up for tennis court times
 - c. There is an increase for events this year
 - d. Sugar creek membership decreased because of the long winter season.
 - 4. Revenues went up about \$90,000-100,000.
 - 5. Expenditures exceeded revenues this quarter.
 - 6. Capital improvement plan included in the packet given to the board.
- ii. Eldridge Park Lagoon Drain Replacement Project

1. Money for an engineer was allocated in 2013, unfortunately the pipe did not make it to the capital plan
2. In 2014, there was enough money set aside in the capital budget
3. History and why we need to replace: Originally part of the salt creek. The left bank was former city of Elmhurst's land fill in 1930's and continued to 1960's. The US army corps of engineers help reduced flooding by removing the bends in the creeks. Then in the 1960, park district created the Eldrige lagoon. In 1990, hired another firm to redesign the expansion and depth of the lagoon. Now, there is no longer a flap gate on the pipe, and there is corroding
4. Why spend the money: there needs to be better drainage because there would be no flood waters to escape, would damage the club house, and possible threat to surrounding neighborhoods
5. Proposing: drainage systems follows the simplicity of the original design but with modern updates:
 - a. The steel pipe will be replace with 12" diameter PVC drain pip
 - b. Add MHs were added to improve cleanout and routing when necessary
 - c. Creek side outlet will the state of the art in erosion control
 - d. Lagoon drainage inlet will be replace and re-enforced against settling
 - e. Landscape restoration will follow completion of the project.
6. With approval, the project would start on the first Tuesday after the 4th of July and the project should only last until about mid-august
7. Costs: About \$177,000
8. Vote: motion was unanimous and the project will move forward.

VII. Commissioner Information Items

a. Announcements

- i. Commissioner Kies: The prairie path is going to have a work day on Saturday. The part of the prairie that was burned looks good. Thank you to staff for the conservatory event
- ii. Commissioner Pelosi: Reminder that the PEP golf outing is this Friday

b. Future agenda

- i. Commissioner Kubiesa:
 1. Gateway update report
 2. Policy committee will review cell phone procedures, meeting agenda (can bring anything, but have to let 7 day notice) and decide the annual meeting dates in order for them to be consistent every other year. Commissioner Kubiesa suggests they always be in May.
- ii. Commissioner Spaeth: Wants to go into further discussion about storm water. Also says, the old tavern on York (built in 1842) is being threatened for tear down and is worried about might happen, and wants to

bring up for discussion, in order to possibly come up with different ideas on how to protect this historical tavern.

VIII. Staff Announcements

- a. IT set-up equipment at the pools.
- b. Monday, May 26th Memorial Day parade: 9:00am.
- c. Butterfield Park will have a public meeting May 22nd at the recreational building to receive the feedback from the community.
- d. Kathy (staff member) will be contacting the new finance committee for weekly registers.
- e. Thank the board for approval to work on the Elbridge lagoon.
- f. Friday, Saturday and Sunday, gymnastic teams will participate at the state championships
- g. On July 17th there will be a legislature golf outing

IX. Adjournment

- a. Meeting was adjourned 8:35