

Elmhurst Park District Meeting
September 24, 2014
7:00pm- 8:28pm

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

- I. **President Ubriaco called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Roll Call**
- IV. **Addition/Deletions/Changes to Agenda**
- V. **Remarks/Correspondence From Visitors**
 - a. **Oral Correspondence**
 - i. **Citizen 1:** Thanked the Elmhurst park district for the consideration about the storm water detention project. She suggested to work with city and build alternative infrastructures
 - ii. **Citizen 2:** In regard to the storm water detention project, he is considered about the maintenance costs. He is disappointed about decisions of the school board because it reflects that the residents' opinion doesn't matter. He also started concern in respect to the city being uninformed on the risks and possibility for flood damages for the Kayuga residents. He does appreciate the park district for listening and protecting their parks.
 - iii. **Citizen 3:** Wanted to thank for the work on this issue and listening
 - iv. **Citizen 4:** Said thank you to the Park district in regard to listening to the residents of kayuga and looking out for the parks.
- VI. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Gateway
 - i. Looking into repair for new vehicles
 - ii. Superintendent Alexander has resigned from his position to follow wife's employment
 - b. Sugar Creek Golf Course
 - i. Approved budget: They are very excited that for the 1st time, advertisements are included in budget
 - ii. There is property for sale by sugar creek and can be brought up in later discussion, but makes board aware, that this piece of property is one that shouldn't be built upon
- VII. **Upcoming Committee Meetings**
 - a. Gateway- October 9, 2014
 - b. Elmhurst Art Museum- October 15, 2014
 - c. PEP- October 23, 2014
 - d. Sugar Creek Golf Course- October 28, 2014
 - e. Stormwater Subcommittee- TBD
 - f. Lizzardo Museum- November 6, 2014
- VIII. **Consent Agenda (unanimous, 7-0)**
 - a. Approval of September 10, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - b. Approval of September 10, 2014 Closed Meeting Minutes
 - c. Voucher Lists
- IX. **Board Business**
 - a. *Unfinished Business (Old)*

- i. Stormwater Management Discussion**
 - 1. Working draft of conceptual storm sewer layout help facilitate discussion.
 - 2. Commissioner Spaeth: The matrix proposed is an important document having the visual to look at alternatives in order to see the best balance of benefits in term of homes that will be affected with the flooding. He goes on to say he looks forward to completing this effort.
 - 3. Commissioner Howard: The matrix of options is not designed for a decisional matrix, but rather used for analysis. He goes on to make the point that these are not all the choices, and simply used as an informational matrix. Commissioner states, the park district has to be respectful to the city, but can't wait for final decision or their opinions, therefore they have to rely on the Park Districts' knowledge. During discussion, he states, there is a way for a shut off valve, but do not mistake this foreshadowing an answer or decision.
 - 4. Commissioner Kubiesa: Wants to make the process to move along, but has not heard back from D3, the engineering company that has been reported on the project. Although, they want to seek answer, commissioner says, they, as a board should take their time to vet out answers. Commissioner is proud of their openness and transparency with board and needs to continue in order to keep their story straight.
 - 5. President Urbiaco: States there no reason to dwell on the past and that the Park District is going to come up with new, productive ways with viable and alternative options for long and short term.
 - 6. Commissioner Morsette-Moll: Expresses gratefulness from the continual thanks from Elmhurst residents during this process. With taking the project seriously, commissioner wants to come to a decision as soon as possible.

b. *New Business*

- i. Transportation Services for Individuals with Special Needs (Unanimous 7,0)**
 - 1. Recommendation: Awarding the Transportation Bid to Superior Ambulance Service for one year term.
 - 2. The board thought this would be a good idea and bring more opportunity for everyone in the community by catering to all needs.
- ii. 2014 Tax Levy Resolution: R-05-14 (Unanimous 7,0)**
 - 1. Recommendation: Approve tax levy resolution R-05-14 with no proposed increase in tax dollars in the aggregate extension and no increase in the SRA Fund.
 - 2. There was discussion about the EAV being around 7.2% on average for the past couple of year, but is projected to be a 2%

decrease. For new construction, there is a 9.6% increase from \$22,107,970 to \$24,230,335.

3. There will be a tax reduction when taking into consideration the EAV and limiting rate of about \$239,000 compared to last year's tax receipt. The limiting rate would increase tax dollars, but would even out the tax amount the same as previous years with the decrease in EAV.
4. The board votes and agrees to accept the recommendation for the board to approve the tax levy resolution R-05-14 with no proposed increase in tax dollars in the aggregate extension and no increase in the SRA Fund.

X. Commissioner Information Items

a. Announcements

- i. The Railroad crossing at Pioneer Park has said to be safe by the public and that people love it
- ii. Volunteer recognition program was wonderful and well attended

XI. Staff Announcements

- a. There has been a discussion about a prairie path underpass
- b. Courts plus special is still available for one more week. 262 new members have already joined.
- c. Oktoberfest details should be coming out soon
- d. Email news blast regarding the storm water public meeting. There have been about 10,000 emails sent out from their database.
- e. 261 grantly improvements were made

XII. Close Session

- a. Pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5) for the discussion of the "purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District"

XIII. Adjournment 8:28pm

- a. Meeting was adjourned at 8:28PM