

Elmhurst Park District Meeting
October 28, 2015
7:00-8:24

7 commissioners present
6 public present; 8 staff
Observer: Gianfranco Ocampo

I: Call to order begins the meeting 7:00 PM

II: Pledge of Allegiance:

III: Roll Call

1. All commissioners present.

IV: Additions/Deletions/Changes to Agenda

1. Item 6-C deleted from agenda (Committee report from Stormwater Subcommittee)
2. Board announces an informational meeting on Nov. 3
 - a. Will be located in Wilder Park.
 - b. Will involve a Q & A session.

V: Remarks/Correspondence from visitors

1. Citizens speak for the board

- a. First speaker

Toured areas around Aurora inspecting different parks; Found that many parks did not use native plants and because speaker believes plans for a detention pond could possibly lead to a problem in growing native plants the board should consider bringing in different types of plants.

- b. Second speaker

Spoke in favor of water detention plans. Said that water detention plans will fix problems of accessibility in the park, due to flooding of fields, will no longer be a problem.

- c. Third speaker

Hopes that any plans to vote on final decisions on designs for Butterfield Park be pushed back. Believes that because of the board having an informational meeting on the 3rd being suddenly announced, they should push back their vote to have more time to digest perspectives that come out of the informational meeting.

- d. Fourth speaker

Announced findings she's done on EPA's investigations on detention plans. They will potentially bring an infestation of mosquitoes to the park.

- e. Fifth speaker

Asked questions on how the informational meeting will be conducted.

1. What will be the capacity of the information meeting?
2. Will the board have the equipment necessary should any of the residents have power points for any of their presentations.

VI: Committee Reports

1. PEP

- a. Announced golf tournament set next year on May. 20
- b. Fundraising of Playground for everyone on Feb. 20

2. Sugar Creek Committee reports revenue from their committee up \$8,0000.

VII: Upcoming Committee Meetings

- a. Lizzadro- November 5, 2015
- b. Gateway- November 12, 2015
- c. PEP- November 19, 2015
- d. Sugar Creek Golf Course- November 24, 2015

VII: Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of October 14, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval of October 14, 2015 Closed Meeting Minutes
- c. Voucher Lists

IX: Board Business

1. Unfinished business (old)

i. Stormwater Management Discussion

President Carolyn Ubriaco assures the committee

The city is aware of the board's constraints, however, the board does need a proposal set before they can work with the DNR further.

2. 2016 Butterfield Park Master Plan

i. Last Thursday the board sent copies to residents on the current plans for Butterfield Park

ii. Questions asked on how long the water will sit in detention and where the water will flow. That level of design has not been made yet to answer that question, but it should approximately only stay for a day.

iii. Executive Director Jim Rogers addresses concerns of ill effects of a water detention plan

1. States that the clay underground has been acknowledged and that with the flow of the water and how the clay will be excavated, the clay won't interrupt the water detention.

2. Rogers states that mosquito infestation is already a problem and that the detention plan will actually reduce mosquito and rodent infestations.

iv. The board discusses the basketball courts and their lighting

1. Commissioner Anthony Pelosi suggest that a compromise is to not light any of the basketball courts

a. Once it's dark out people will know the court is closed.

2. Commissioner Rogers explains control that the board will have over the lights

a. With a permit some teams will be able to rent out the court for a time that they need lights on for and once their time is up the lights turn off

b. If the lights turn off prematurely they can call security to turn them back on.

c. Should the teams finish early and no one is in the court, people can also call security to turn off the lights.

v. Commissioner Rogers speaks about the informational meeting

1. The capacity of the meeting will be 70 people.

2. They will have equipment for presentations. Any residents who use electronic presentations will need to submit hard copies to the board first.

3. New Business

i. IAPD credentials

Meeting on tax resolution IAPD annual business meeting on Jan. 30, 2016. Approved list of delegates and alternates to the meeting.

ii. Maintenance Facility Upgrades

Park board makes distribution of \$95,000 to the city of Elmhurst to cover the district's 25% obligation toward any work done on 985 South Riverside Drive, and to purchase a backup generator.

X: Commissioner Information Items

1. Announcements: Thanks to participants in prairie cleanup/restoration event (?) on Saturday despite the rain.

2. Future Agenda included in meeting packet

XI: Staff Announcements

1. Staff member has gotten rid of IT equipment.

2. Outdoor weeding events are officially done.

3. Budget charts and documents are being made

4. Fundraising for Playground for everyone needs \$250,000 They have reached \$125,000 so far.

XII: Closed session begins 8:24.

Links to Meeting materials:

<http://www.epd.org/park-board/board-meetings/board-meeting-october-28-2015#>