



Wheaton Park District

**WHEATON PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING
ARROWHEAD GOLF CLUB
26 W 151 BUTTERFIELD ROAD
WHEATON, ILLINOIS
JUNE 3, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER

President Luetkehans called the workshop meeting of the Wheaton Park District Board of Commissioners to order at 7 pm. The following commissioners were present:

Commissioner: Barrett
Fieweger
Kelly
Luetkehans
Mee
Morrill
Schobel

DISCUSSION WITH STATE SENATOR CAROL PANKAU

Senator Pankau presented an update on the legislative session. The three main items from this session were a capital bill, ethics reform, and budget. The capital bill passed in late April contained only a roads program. Federal stimulus moneys will be funneled through existing programs like OSLAD. The ethics legislation presented by the governor did not meet the requirements of the Republicans. Negotiations will continue between the governor and the Senate and House leadership. A maintenance budget was passed before the legislators left Springfield. The majority and minority leadership are now negotiating with the Governor to complete the budget bill. The board thanked Senator Pankau for her interest in the Park District and for coming to update them on the legislative session.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Northside Park Development Agreement

Commissioner Luetkehans updated the board on the bidding procedures that have been discussed with Christopher B. Burke Engineering. Burke Engineering is recommending a guaranteed maximum bid. A general contractor would be selected by a bid process. The general contractor would then bid out the subcontracts and share the savings with the district. A contract would be negotiated with Burke Engineering to check on work, process payout requests, and make recommendations on change orders for approval by the park board. The current timeline calls for bids to be sent out on July 2 with a July 29 bid opening date. Commissioner Kelly feels an absolute bid process would guarantee the district the lowest price. Mr. Luetkehans has asked Mr. Kelly to serve on the Northside Park committee, and he has agreed. A meeting/conference call will be set up for Mr. Kelly, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Luetkehans, the district's attorney, appropriate district staff, and representatives of Christopher B. Burke Engineering to discuss this issue.

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The intergovernmental agreement with the City has been revised back to the original format and will be sent to the board as soon as it is received and will be on the June 17 agenda.

2. Wheaton Grand Theatre

Executive Director Benard and the Downtown Wheaton Association will present the Wheaton Grand Theatre plan including the SSA at the City Council planning session on June 8. The Downtown Wheaton Association is in favor of the SSA to provide \$250,000 back stop financing. The City will be asked to provide a secondary \$250,000 back stop. The theater would open in October 2011, and the first principal and interest payment would be due in December 2012.

The President and Board of Park Commissioners of the Wheaton Park District directed staff to publish a notice of public hearing on July 1, 2009, at 7 pm. The hearing will be held at the Arrowhead Golf Club, 26 W 151 Butterfield Road, Wheaton, Illinois. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments on the proposal to sell bonds in an aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$19,995,000 for the purpose of funding the (i) acquisition of the Wheaton Grand Theater and land adjacent to the Theater; (ii) the renovation and construction of the Theater; (iii) certain costs of issuing the Bonds, including underwriters' discount; (iv) a portion of the interest payments on the Bonds, if any; and (v) obtain credit enhancement, if any, for the Bonds.

Director Benard explained that scheduling the hearing does not obligate the District to proceed with the sale of the bonds.

The board requested the Executive Director to provide it with a summary of the meeting with the City Council.

3. Master/Strategic Plan Review – Section 7.0 Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan

The Americans with Disabilities Act requires the Park District to develop a transition plan to mitigate identified deficiencies. Funds to prepare the transition plan may be taken from the Special Recreation tax levy.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Recreation Accessibility Consultants, LLC Proposal

The proposal from Recreation Accessibility Consultants would provide the Park District with the ADA required transition plan. The district's attorney has offered an opinion that this contract can be sole sourced. The board requested that the District issue a request for proposal for these services.

BOARD MEMBER INPUT/DISCUSSION

- Executive Director Benard and Assistant Superintendent Bill Farley (CUSD 200) will discuss the summer air conditioning of the satellite fitness centers. The board will be kept informed.
- Taste of Wheaton is this weekend. The board asked to be kept informed of the details of these events.

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- President Luetkehans appointed the following committees:
Grounds and Buildings – Commissioner Kelly and Commissioner Morrill
Northside Park – Commissioner Kelly and Commissioner Barrett
All other committees will remain the same.

- It was suggested that the District bid out the Arrowhead food and beverage contracts

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Barrett moved to convene to Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) for the employment or compensation of an employee. Seconded by Commissioner Fieweger.

Roll call vote:	Commissioner:	Barrett	Aye
		Fieweger	Aye
		Kelly	Aye
		Mee	Aye
		Morrill	Aye
		Schobel	Aye
		Luetkehans	Aye

7 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

The Wheaton Park District Board of Commissioners convened to Closed Session at 8:17 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Wheaton Park District Board of Commissioners reconvened at 8:24 p.m.

President Luetkehans stated that no action would be taken on matters discussed in closed session at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Morrill moved to adjourn the Workshop Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Mee. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Benard
Secretary

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