

Lemont Park District
Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole Special Meeting
Ashbury Woods Park
July 6, 2010
6:00 p.m.

Call to Order - The Community of the Whole/Special Meeting of Tuesday July 6, 2010 was called to order by Vice-President Colaizzi at 6:10 p.m.

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call - Commissioners present: Colaizzi, Davoren and Diorio. President Sexton will be in attendance later in the meeting. Commissioner Williams was absent. Also in attendance were Executive Director Louise Egofske; recording secretary, Karen Perkey and staff Dellamano and Banks and public.

Items for Discussion:

Ashbury Woods: Dawn Banks showed the residents of the Ashbury Woods subdivision that were in attendance a possible plan for the park. Banks presented a few styles of pergolas and grass and landscaping concepts. The residents asked what the time line for the park completion may be. Director Egofske and Administrator Banks stated the park district would like to get this project completed and should have more information to the residents by the second week in August. The discussion continued until the inclement weather delayed the meeting. The meeting reconvened at the Core at 6:40 p.m.

IAPD: The Legislative Outing on July 22nd was discussed and it was stated that the invited representatives may be attendance later in the evening.

Quarterly Round Table: Tabled.

Facility Needs/Long Term Planning: Commissioner Davoren reported that he met with Commissioner Williams. Commissioner Colaizzi reported that the board may move forward with conducting internal surveys instead of hiring a consultant firm at this time. The board agreed to move forward this way and it was suggested to have a link on the website for survey questions and ask patrons at the district, in programs, at the pool, etc. Director Egofske agreed to move forward in this way so the board can obtain a focal point to pursue and can work on getting the current parks up to date. Park updates were discussed and it was agreed that Ashbury Woods Park should get done. There was a discussion about the preschool play piece location and type. The needed repairs to Virginia Reed Park were also discussed. President Sexton requested that staff proceed with the completion of Ashbury Woods Park. Jaycee Park was discussed and the director read a list that was requested by Therese Bocian.

Independence Day: It was stated that the July 3rd event was a huge success and was well resonated

through the community. There will be a staff SWOT on Wednesday to discuss what worked well, what needs improving, etc. The discussions continued including the vendors and working with the Foundation for other events such as the softball tournament. Director Egofske reported that she was offered a three year contract by the fireworks vendor Melrose Pyrotechnics to lock in the pricing for the next three years. There will be more discussion. The location of the beer garden and bands was discussed and the possibility of relocating the venues to a more open area.

Special Events: Carrie Dellamano reported that Pack the Park will be at Northview Park on July 13th and the movie is Bolt. The event will be held at the Core if the weather is inclement.

Massage Therapy: The park district is introducing the Massage Therapy program and Carrie explained the details.

Quarterly Round Tables: No report.

Policy & Procedure: A Finance Policy will be presented at the next meeting.

Public Comment – None.

Old Business – The park district has been offered 7 acres of land and \$295,500 in the Kettering Farm subdivision. The board asked that Dawn Banks develop a plan for the property to have ready for the board at a later date. Dawn Banks reported that she will meet with Officer Thompson about the traffic survey at Centennial Park on Thursday.

New Business – None.

Executive Session – Commissioner Davoren made a motion to go into executive session under section Par 120/2. of the open meetings act to discuss subsection C1: dealing with the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body; employment matters and subsection C5: relating to the purchase or lease of real property for used of the public body, with a second by President Sexton.

Roll call vote: Commissioners Sexton, aye; Davoren, aye and Diorio, aye Motion carried. The session began at 7:24 p.m. The regular meeting resumed at 8:23 p.m.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

President

Secretary