

Minutes of a Workshop Session of the Board of
Park Commissioners of the Downers Grove Park
District held on January 10, 2019 at Lincoln Center,
935 Maple Avenue, Downers Grove, IL 60515

Call to Order President Gelwicks called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners Gelwicks, Livorsi, Mahoney, McDonnell and Salaba; Executive Director, Bill McAdam; Director of Operations and Development, Geoff Penman; Director of Recreation, Dave Haring; Director of Human Resources, Marian Olund; Superintendent of Planning, Paul Fyle; Superintendent of Parks, Kevin Rozell; Manager of Marketing & Creative Development, Dawn Hartman; Marketing & Creative Development Specialist, Danielle Strohmer; Corporate & Community Relations Specialist, Heather Zoellick, Clerk, Adine Lenon

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Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Changes to the Agenda: C2 will be moved to C1

Visitors: Martin Tully, Members of the DG Historical Society, Griffin Dunham

Mayor Tully discussed that Montrew Dunham was an iconic member of Downers Grove. He is thrilled that the Park District is considering naming a park after her.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Montrew Dunham – Park Naming Request

Liz Chalberg of the DG Historical Society spoke about Montrew Dunham. She mentioned that Montrew brought history to life and how the historical society is grateful for this opportunity. Griffin Dunham, the oldest grandson of Montrew spoke about his grandmother and all her accomplishments and how they would be forever grateful to Downers Grove if a park was named after her. President Gelwicks asked Paul Fyle about the parks and it was mentioned that Blodgett & Elmwood would be the park that would be renamed.

Splash Pad Discussion

Paul Fyle introduced Joe Brusseau from Hitchcock Design Group. Joe showed a PowerPoint presentation on what the Hitchcock Design Group have been working on. He discussed that they reviewed the following eight park sites for the location of a new Splash Pad – Constitution Park, Doerhoefer Park, Ebersold Park, Fishel Park, Hummer Park, McCollum Park, O'Brien Park and Whitlock Park. Bill McAdam mentioned that we would want to apply for the OSLAD grant but this may impact the overall project schedule given the anticipated deadlines for the grant programs. After reviewing the eight parks it was narrowed down to three: McCollum, Ebersold and Doerhoefer. The Board would like a rough outline at the next meeting for each park. President Gelwicks did mention that the "Sprayground" should be free to everyone just like a playground would be. Also mentioned was how the "Sprayground" will be staffed but this will be discussed at a later meeting.

Sponsorship & Event Update

Dawn Hartman introduced Danielle Strohmer and Heather Zoellick to the Board. Dawn reviewed the 2018 highlights of the Marketing Department and goals for the 2019 year. Heather discussed the sponsorships at different events that will be held in Downers Grove for 2019. The new event this year will be the BBQ Bolt being held on July 20, 2019. It will consist of a 5-mile run, 5k walk or run, 1-mile walk and a 50-meter kids' dash.

Rec Center Improvement Plan Format

Dave Haring discussed the open house that was held at 4500 Fitness. 96 new memberships were sold with 18 of them being paid in full. The Board likes the new format of the improvement plan and the only thing that they want added to the plan is a column for results. The Board congratulated Dave on the improved numbers at the Fitness Club.

Miscellaneous

Bill McAdam mentioned the IPRA/IAPD conference and would like to extend an invitation to the two candidates running for the Park Board in April, 2019. The Board thought that would be a great idea to give them some insight on part of the conference.

President Gelwicks mentioned that it would be appropriate to honor Jerry Yoksoulion with a memorial. He would like Bill McAdam to come up with an idea for that to happen. Commissioner Mahoney thinks that something near SEASPAR would be appropriate.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

None

Commissioner Gelwicks announced that the next Park District Board meeting will be held January 17, 2019 at the Village Hall Council Chambers.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m. following a motion made by Commissioner Mahoney and seconded by Commissioner Livorsi.

Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Mahoney, Livorsi, Gelwicks, McDonnell, Salaba
 Nays: None
 Absent: None

FINAL ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 p.m. following a motion made by Commissioner Mahoney and seconded by Commissioner Livorsi

Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Mahoney, Livorsi, Gelwicks, McDonnell, Salaba
 Nays: None
 Absent: None

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Livorsi
Secretary

DOWNERS GROVE PARK DISTRICT

January 10, 2019

7:00 P.M.

Lincoln Center – Room 503

AGENDA

A. CONVENING THE MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Changes to the Agenda

B. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Recognition of Visitors

C. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Splash Pad Discussion
2. Montrew Dunham – Park Naming Request
3. Sponsorship & Event Update
4. Rec Center Improvement Plan Format
5. Miscellaneous

D. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

E. THE NEXT DOWNERS GROVE PARK DISTRICT PARK BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD JANUARY 17, 2019 AT VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

F. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION (If needed)

1. The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussion whether a particular parcel should be acquired, pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act
2. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act

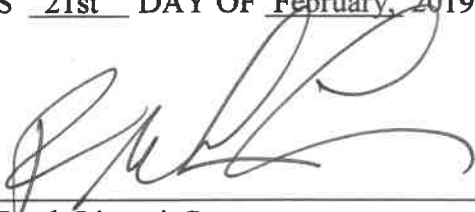
G. FINAL ADJOURNMENT

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF DUPAGE)

CERTIFICATE

I, Frank Livorsi, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I am the Secretary in and for the Downers Grove Park District, DuPage County, Illinois; that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Minutes from the January 10, 2019 Workshop Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners. Said Minutes were duly passed by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Downers Grove Park District at a regular meeting on the 21st day of February, 2019, and said Minutes are to become a part of the official record of said Park District.

DATED THIS 21st DAY OF February, 2019



Frank Livorsi, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
Downers Grove Park District