

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PLEASURE DRIVEWAY AND PARK DISTRICT OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS, HELD AT 6:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 2017 AT THE BONNIE W. NOBLE CENTER FOR PEORIA PARK DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, 1125 WEST LAKE AVENUE, PEORIA, ILLINOIS.

President Cassidy presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Trustees Cummings, Johnson, Petty, Ryan, and President Cassidy.

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Trustee Snowden and Vice President Rayford.

PRESIDENT CASSIDY ANNOUNCED THAT TRUSTEE SNOWDEN REQUESTED TO LISTEN TO THE MEETING BY TELEPHONE, A ONE-WAY COMMUNICATION, AND TRUSTEE SNOWDEN WILL NOT OTHERWISE PARTICIPATE. TRUSTEE SNOWDEN ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SHE COULD LISTEN BUT NOT PARTICIPATE AND MUTED HER TELEPHONE.

STAFF PRESENT: Deputy Director Wheeler, Attorney Bill Streeter, Attorney Kevin Day, Jan Budzynski, Becky Fredrickson, Matt Freeman, Shalesse Pie, Joe Atkinson, Trish Blattenberger, Meg Boyich, Carl Cannon, Sherry Cannon, Mike Friberg, Emma Lawson, Scott Loftus, Mike Miller, Brittany Moldenhauer, Dawn Petefish, Karrie Ross, JD Russell, Kim Scott, Doug Silberer, Jessica Slater, Nicole Staley, Yvonne Strode, Bob Streitmatter, Sue Wheeler, and Joyce McLemore.

OTHERS PRESENT: Beth Coats and John Hinton, River City Riders, 10810 S. Glasford Rd., Glasford IL 61533; Mike, Tracy and Wesley Cunningham, 822 S. Folkers Ave., Peoria; Eli Bolen, 922 S. Folkers Ave., Peoria; Breazae D. Williams and Akea Lewis, ELITE Outreach Program, 1819 N. Lehman Road, #10, Peoria; Ariel and Laner Zedrick, 1816 W. Broughton Ct., Peoria IL Rick Fox, Friends of Rocky Glen, 15215 N. Ivy Lane Rd., Chillicothe.

PRESS PRESENT: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Trustee Petty requested correction to minutes of March 8, 2017, Calendar of Consent. Correction to read as follows: "Trustee Cummings requested agenda item #10 be removed from the calendar for further consideration." With the noted correction, TRUSTEE JOHNSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 8, 2017 REGULAR PARK BOARD MEETING. Motion seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
WEEKLY UPDATES/
FINAL COMMUNITY
SURVEY RESULTS:**

March 7 and March 14 updates were presented. The final edition of Dr. Weinzimmer's Community Survey was distributed.

**PEORIA ZOO/
LUTHY GARDEN:**

Luthy Botanical Garden

Luthy Garden Manager Bob Streitmatter highlighted development of an Invertebrate Corridor at the garden, connecting natural areas, water features and the gardens associated with native plants and wildlife. Streitmatter spoke of upcoming series of classes to be offered at the Garden to teach how to develop pollinator-friendly landscape or gardens and teach pollinator-friendly practices. Trustee Cummings asked how these classes are promoted and Streitmatter reported advertising via the Playbook, Park District website and Facebook and classes are featured in the zoo map brochure.

**Association of Zoos & Aquariums (AZA)
Wildlife Conservation and Management**

Zoo Director Yvonne Strode highlighted the support of AZA's cooperative animal management groups and animal conservation initiatives. Also featured was the work of Zoo staff Dawn Petefish, Kim Scott and Jessica Slater. The Alligator Snapping Turtle Recovery Program was featured. Trustee Johnson asked when the Zoo would next go through the AZA accreditation process. Yvonne reported June 2017.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH
DEPARTMENT:**

Carl Cannon, Community Outreach Supervisor, updated the Board on the Elite Re-Entry program, and the Elite High School program which focuses on two Peoria Public High Schools: Manual Academy and Peoria Central. Cannon also highlighted Elite Reality Grant that represents a partnership with Peoria Health Department to oversee a youth driven anti-smoking committee responsible for developing and implementing an ongoing anti-smoking campaign at a Park District playground.

Certificates of Appreciation*

Cannon highlighted the Peoria Park District's designation as a nominating organization for area youth to receive Peoria Mayor's Sustainability Award. President Cassidy presented certificates in recognition of three high school students selected to receive \$500 scholarships:

Ariel Zedric, Richwoods High School
Michael Evans, Manual High School
Breazae Williams, Peoria High School

*Secretary's Note: Copies of Certificates have been placed in the permanent record.

PARKS DIVISION: Superintendent Freeman presented February work order report.

POLICE DIVISION: Chief Bush presented the January report which is presented in a new format. Trustee Petty asked for clarification of ticket category "City" on traffic violation report, stating her concern for park officers issuing tickets outside of parks. Chief stated park officers are obligated to enforce regulations as they travel between park locations, as well as on park property.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: **TRUSTEE JOHNSON MOVED THAT THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE ORDERS ON THE TREASURER FOR THE SEVERAL AMOUNTS:**

Peoria Park District Thursday, March 16, 2017

GENERAL	84,924.78
RECREATION	184,508.67
LIABILITY	1,830.75
MUSEUM	9,915.31
POLICE	3,542.64
BONDED PROJECTS	90,450.27
PAVING & LIGHTING	3,999.46
RIVERFRONT EVENTS	5,887.35
DETWEILLER MARINA	2,235.11
GOLF	34,518.66
HISRA	5,206.16
RIVERPLEX	47,421.15
TOTAL PAYABLES	\$474,440.31
PAYROLL #5 3/10/17	\$428,879.07

**Motion seconded by Petty and carried on unanimous voice vote.
(Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

PLANNING COMMITTEE: Trustee Cummings requested Mike Miller and Mike Friberg review both the Site Management Schedule for Donovan Park and Donovan Park use goals reviewed by Planning Committee at the March 7 committee meeting.

Site Management Schedule-Management Goals-Donovan Park

Miller provided trustees with complete copies of the management schedule that included color map of the Donovan Park Ecological Management Zones. Staff proposes to enhance native species diversity, improve pollinator habitat, and increase nesting bird use and diversity, and provide ecotourism recreational opportunities. Discussion followed. Miller stated staff's idea is to use management zones as a tool to explain how conservation areas are to be managed.

**PLANNING COMMITTEE:
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Donovan Park Use

Mike Friberg stated staff's overall goal of balancing operational costs and appropriate community use as defined in the short term master plan. Friberg then highlighted current temporary uses of the park that have minimal impact on Park District operational cost. Staff proposes uses for Donovan Park:

- Establishment of site management zones
- Continuation of cross country course
- Establish a "singletrack" running course/mountain bike
- Allow cyclocross events and practice
- Establish paved trail connection from Rock Island Greenway to clubhouse
- Establish disk golf course

President Cassidy reiterated these ideas are in short term master plan until a master plan can be approved. President Cassidy stated he wants to assure "return to natural state" does not mean "not maintained". He doesn't want public perception to develop that Donovan isn't being maintained. Miller stated there is no expansion of "no mow" areas. Trustee Ryan stated he wanted assurance there would be appropriate mowing to address the visual issue of maintenance along the right-of-ways.

Demonstration Sites for Pollinator Gardens

Staff will work with Trustee Ryan to lead volunteers in developing demonstration sites to give living examples of small pollinator gardens that homeowners can replicate. Demonstration sites will be developed at Lakeview Park, Madison Golf Course, Schmoeger Park, Bicycle Safety Town and Northtrail Park.

NEW BUSINESS:

License Agreement between Peoria Park District and River City Riders

Superintendent Freeman presented a license agreement for use of Racoon Lakes property. The River City Riders, a not-for-profit organization, would lease use of 114 acres of the property for annual fee of \$30 per acre for equine activities, allowing for 35 club members. The agreement will expire on December 31, 2017. With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE RYAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR USE OF RACCOON LAKES PROPERTY BY THE RIVER CITY RIDERS . Motion seconded by Trustee Cummings.** Discussion followed with Trustee Johnson asking whether River City Riders would be the only users. Freeman affirmed. **Motion carried on unanimous voice vote.**
(Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)

**NEW BUSINESS:
(continued)**

Gift Shop Lease Agreement with Metropolitan Airport Authority of Peoria

As part of the process to move the Moonlight Coalition for Adult Learning and its associated efforts back into the Park District budget as approved by the Board in late 2016, the lease executed by and between the Peoria Park District Foundation and the Metropolitan Airport Authority of Peoria ("MAAP") must be terminated and replaced with a new agreement recognizing the District as the lessee. With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE RYAN MOVED TO APPROVE AIRSIDE GIFT SHOP LEASE AGREEMENT. Motion seconded by Trustee Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

Adoption of Ordinance #349 for Disposal of Used Golf Cars

With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE CUMMINGS MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #349 TO AUTHORIZE THE TRADE-IN OF (75) USED GOLF CARS TO TNT GOLF CAR & EQUIPMENT CO. OF QUINCY, IL AT A COST OF \$131,400.00. Motion seconded by Trustee Ryan.** Trustee Ryan asked why adoption of an ordinance is necessary. Attorney Streeter explained this action is required by Illinois Park District Code in order for the Park District to sell property no longer necessary, useful for, or for the best interest of the Park District. Discussion followed.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Cummings, Johnson, Petty, Ryan and President Cassidy voting "Aye," no "Nays". (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)

BID: Purchase of Golf Cars

With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE RYAN MOVED TO ACCEPT LOW BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF (75) GOLF CARS FROM TNT GOLF CAR & EQUIPMENT CO. OF QUINCY, IL AT A COST OF \$298,125.00. THE TOTAL COST TO THE DISTRICT AFTER TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE TRADE-IN IS \$166,725.00. Motion seconded by Trustee Johnson.** Trustee Petty asked what courses would receive the new carts. Staff reported Madison Golf would receive 31, Newman Golf would receive 14, and Kellogg Golf would receive 30. **Motion carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

CALENDAR OF CONSENT: BID: Pest Control Services

With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE JOHNSON MOVED TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID FOR PEST CONTROL SERVICES FROM HARRIS PEST CONTROL, INIC. OF PEKIN, IL AT AN APPROXIMATE ANNUAL COST OF \$9,075.00. THE CONTRACT PERIOD IS FOR THREE YEARS WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR EXTENSION AT A FIFTEEN (15%) PERCENT INCREASE IN RATES. Motion seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

CALENDAR OF CONSENT:
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QUOTE: Steam Generator Replacement – RiverPlex

With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE JOHNSON MOVED TO APPROVE QUOTE FOR TWO (2) NEW STEAM GENERATOR CONTROL PACKAGES AND UNITS FOR THE RIVERPLEX RECREATION & WELLNESS CENTER FROM ADEL WHOLESALERS INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,954.32. Motion seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

REQUEST FOR USE OF FRANCISCAN RECREATION COMPLEX

With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE JOHNSON MOVED TO APPROVE REQUEST FOR USE OF FRANCISCAN RECREATION COMPLEX SOCCER FIELD PTO FUNDRAISER ON SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2017 (RAIN DATE OF MAY 7). Motion seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

REQUEST FOR USE OF DONOVAN PARK

With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE JOHNSON MOVED TO APPROVE REQUEST FOR USE OF DONOVAN PARK BY IGNITE CHURCH TO CONDUCT FUNDRAISER 5K ON SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2017. Motion seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

REQUEST FOR USE OF DONOVAN PARK

With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE JOHNSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR USE OF DONOVAN PARK BY PEORIA FRISBEE CLUB TO CONDUCT DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT ON SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2017. Motion seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

REQUEST FOR USE OF GRANDVIEW DRIVE

With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE JOHNSON MOVED TO APPROVE REQUEST FOR USE OF GRANDVIEW DRIVE FROM PEORIA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION TO CONDUCT FUNDRAISER 5K RACE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2017. Motion seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

PENDING BUSINESS: None.

CITIZEN REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: None.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Resignation of Trustee Kelly Cummings*

At the request of Trustee Cummings, President Cassidy read the letter of resignation from the Park Board effective May 1, 2017.

TRUSTEE RYAN MOVED TO RECEIVE AND FILE TRUSTEE CUMMINGS LETTER OF RESIGNATION. Motion seconded by Trustee Johnson and carried on unanimous vote.

*Secretary's Note: Trustee Cummings letter of resignation has been entered upon the permanent record.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:58 p.m. **TRUSTEE PETTY MOVED TO ADJOURN. Motion seconded by Trustee Ryan and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays).**

V Joyce McLemore, Secretary of the Board