

**River Forest Park District
Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2008**

The Board of Commissioners of the River Forest Park District convened at 8:00pm in regular session on Monday, January 12, 2008, at the River Forest Park District, 401 Thatcher Avenue, River Forest, Illinois.

Call to Order/Roll Call – 8:00pm

President Lamm called the meeting to order at 8:00pm, and he requested all to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call was then taken with Commissioners Cargie, Hague, Jones, Steele, and Lamm present. Also present were Attorney Kostopulos, Executive Director Sletten, Business Manager Dominguez, Park Services Manager Beto, Athletic Supervisor Kenny, Recreation Supervisor Scherrer, and Deborah Bayliss.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Hague moved to approve the Minutes of November 17th, seconded by Commissioner Cargie. President Lamm asked if there were any additional corrections, and none were made. A voice vote followed, and the motion was approved 5-0.

Approval of Disbursements: Commissioner Hague moved to approve the December 3-31, 2008 disbursements of \$3,645.72, and January 1-5, 2009 disbursements of \$126,206.31, seconded by Commissioner Jones. Commissioner Hague asked about the light pole that was replaced in Priory Park. President Lamm asked about the billing cycle for the water and electric bills at Keystone Park. President Lamm asked if there were any additional questions, and none were made. A roll call followed, and the motion was approved 5-0.

Public Commentary: None

Staff Reports: Staff discussed their reports. Commissioner Jones asked if staff recommends resting any soccer fields in the spring. Mr. Beto stated that the field in most need of rest is Priory North. Staff has meet with Rapids representatives to discuss field needs, and Priory North will only be rested/closed if Rapids can schedule all their games on the Concordia Field. President Lamm asked Treasurer Jones his opinion on staffs decision to move Illinois Liquid Asset Fund monies to Corus and Community Bank of Oak Park. Treasurer Jones stated that he was in agreement with the transfer of money into the local banks, as these funds would be FDIC insured, and the continued use of the Liquid Asset Fund would allow the agency the necessary liquidity to conduct day-to-day operations.

Executive Director Report: Director Sletten highlighted his report.

Correspondence to the Board: A thank you note from Patty Peleschak.

Board Business and Reports: None.

Old Business: Director Sletten discussed that after further discussions with Mr. DiGrino, the start of the Comprehensive Plan workshops has been delayed until all participants have been selected. Mr. DiGrino requires 4 weeks lead time from time of participant selection before the first workshop can be held. In addition to the Board and staff, the Board discussed whom to invite to the workshops. The goal is to get 6 residents to participate in the workshop, and up to a dozen residents will need to be invited to achieve the 6-person goal. The Board asked Director Sletten to draft an invitation letter and forward this document and possible workshop dates to each Board Member. Commissioner Hague suggested three resident names for an invitation.

Commissioner Hague moved to direct the Attorney and Executive Director to prepare documents to amend the currently property lease agreement with the River Forest Public Library to include the space required for the placement of two HVAC units, seconded by Commissioner Steele. As part of the agreement, the Board is asking that the Library pay for all legal fees, and the Park District has final approval on the placement of the units and the screening of the units.

Safety:

Commissioner Hague moved to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of Acquisition or Lease of Real Property or Selling or Rental Price of Real Estate, seconded by Commissioner Jones at 8:35pm. A voice vote followed, and the motion was approved 5-0.

Reconvened into Open Session at 9:59pm

Commissioner Jones moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hague at 10:00pm. President Lamm asked if there were any additional questions, and none were made. A voice vote followed, and the motion was approved 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Sletten
Secretary