

**River Forest Park District
Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2009**

The Board of Commissioners of the River Forest Park District convened at 8:00pm in regular session on Monday, March 2, 2009, 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 Kostopoulos, Executive Director Sletten, Business Manager Dominguez, Park Services Manager Beto, Athletic Supervisor Kenny, and Recreation Supervisor Scherrer.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Jones moved to approve the Minutes of January 31st and February 2nd, seconded by Commissioner Hague. 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 Jones moved to approve the February 3-28 disbursements of \$7,702.29, and March 2, 2009 disbursements of \$26,569.69, seconded by Commissioner Hague. Commissioner Jones asked if the Park District could piggyback with the Village on getting the best rate for refuge disposal, and Director Sletten stated that to help reduce refuge costs, the Village has agreed to chip all Park District landscape material, and the Park District did send out a RFP for refuge disposal. Roy Strom submitted the lowest price, and included some extra in the agreement. Commissioner Jones asked how much expense the Park District incurred from Makin Tracks, and Director Sletten stated that the \$24,518.64 in expenses for the event include the \$10,000 donation to WSSRA. As the event brought in \$23,196.50, the Park District incurred a \$1,322.14 expense. Commissioner Jones asked why the tax receipts are distributed proportionately. 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. President Lamm asked why the Program Contractual Expenses was so high, and Director Sletten stated that the Park District is offering a greater number of contractor provided programs than anticipated during the budget process. While the Contractor Expenses is \$40,000 over budget, the Program Revenues are \$80,000 over budget.

Executive Director Report: Director Sletten highlighted his report.

Correspondence to the Board: The Village of River Forest's Harlem Avenue Underpass Project.

Board Business and Reports: Commissioner Cargie asked for an update on the Comprehensive Planning Workshop that was held on February 28th. President Lamm thanked staff for the new format of the financial statement.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None

Safety: Commissioner Hague asked staff to look into the requirements for and AED in the Depot or parks.

Commissioner Jones 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 9:01pm. A voice vote followed, and the motion was approved 5-0.

Reconvened into Open Session at 9:45pm.

Commissioner Steele moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hague at 9:46pm. 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