

**NORTHFIELD PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2009
NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER
BOARD ROOM 6:30 P.M.**

President Snyder called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and a roll call was taken.

Present: Commissioners – Snyder, Koress, Turban, Fry, Trimble, Coyle

Also present staff members –Alexoff, Sweeney, Guillen

Absent: Commissioner Klein, Treasurer Morrell

Visitors: Ms Frahler, Northfield Parks Caucus Member

APPROVAL/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

NONE

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Klein arrived at 6:33 p.m.

PDRMA Newsletter and letter from Village.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a. 2009-2010 Budget Timeline

The timeline is pretty much the same as last year with the exception of the meeting to approve the budget and appropriations. Instead of August 2009, it will be approved at the September meeting to better reflect the taxes.

b. Informational Items

- Ad Hoc committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 7th at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners Coyle and Turban are also part of the committee.
- The NSSRA gala will be on Saturday, March 14th.
- The next Board meeting will be a week earlier than usual due to Spring Break. It is on March 17th.
- Village Traffic & Transportation committee is looking to hire a nationally recognized firm to help bring up viable alternatives that can be supplied to IDOT.
- Willow Park sign is in the designing phase. The Foundation will pay for this. The goal is to have it installed by July 4th.
- A new acrylic Willow Park Site Map has been developed and will be posted by the park entrance.
- Safety netting is being considered to stop the balls from flying onto Willow Road. KWBA has been approached about sharing in the cost.
 - Some of the questions regarding the netting are:
 - Can it come down in the winter? If so, how much does it cost to bring it down every year?
 - Staff will search for additional vendors to provide a cost comparison.
 - Staff needs to provide the board locations where similar safety netting is installed so that they can see what it looks like.

- Can netting be installed on the existing poles? Staff will contact the fence company to have them evaluate.
- Installation of landscaping screening could be considered.
- Staff will contact New Trier High School to inquire about discussions they have had regarding netting of the Varsity Baseball Diamond at Duke Childs Field.

Staff will report back at the next meeting as to the next steps.

Treasurer Morrell arrived at 7:20 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes 1/27/09**
- b. Approval of Cash Expenditures for Month of January 2009**

Commissioner Snyder made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda
Commissioner Trimble seconded the motion. A role call vote was taken:

Voting Aye: Commissioners: Snyder, Koress, Fry, Turban, Trimble, Coyle, Klein

Voting Nay: Commissioners: None

Absent: Commissioners:

Abstain: Commissioners: None

MOTION PASSED

AGENCY REPORTS

a. Finance

All funds are generally on plan for the year

b. Recreation, Park Grounds and Facilities

- Spring/Summer brochure was mailed and should have been received.
- Spring rental schedules are being finalized.
- The online registration software has been down. It is up and running this week.
- Flood repair work will begin in March 2009 for Willow.
- The ice rink is closed for the year.
- Panther Basketball is almost over.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Trimble made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 7:40 p.m. Commissioner Klein seconded the motion. A roll call was taken.

Voting Aye: Commissioners: Snyder, Fry, Turban, Trimble, Coyle, Koress, Klein

Voting Nay: Commissioners: None

Absent: Commissioners: None

Abstain: Commissioners: None

MOTION PASSED