



Meeting Minutes
Recreation/Museum Committee
Glenview Park District Administration Office
1930 Prairie Street
Glenview, IL 60025
December 13, 2010

1. Roll Call:

Commissioner Beck called the meeting to order at 7:47 am and the roll was called.

Commissioners/Official Staff Present: Judy Beck and Bob Patton, Board of Commissioners; Chuck Balling, Executive Director; Robert Quill, Superintendent of Leisure Services, Todd Price, Director of Wagner Farm; Steve Swanson, Director of the Grove; Jason Hickman, Director of Recreational Services; Denise Blinick, Manager of Rentals and Customer Service; Amy Watson, Manager of Aquatic Services; Chris Petrini, Adult Athletics Supervisor; Joe Pollina, Manager of Program Services; Kathleen McInnis, Manager of Health and Fitness; Cheryl Noll, Recording Secretary

2. Agenda Topics:

a. The Grove

Staff gave an update to the committee on the carriage house and pavilion construction projects. During excavation, several pieces of a statue that once was on the Redfield Property were found, no base or legs, but the top half was found including the head and arms.

Commissioner Beck inquired about the Craft Fair. Staff indicated that it was busy and the numbers were up from last year.

The Grove was awarded an Illinois State Museum Grant of which a good portion is for the Tyner Center. It will be used for 16 exhibit panels and 3 interactive exhibits. About \$60,000 will be paid for by the state. Also from this grant, the fish tanks for the Grove will be upgraded.

b. Wagner Farm

Christmas tree sales are outstanding with only 17 trees left at the Farm. Fall sales are up \$7,000. Last year the total was \$35,000 that is a lot of mums and pumpkins. Attendance is up 11% from last year. Part of the Museum Grant is an archeological survey.

Executive Director Balling complimented the staff on their ability to get the grant applications submitted in a timely manner. State Representative Daniel Biss will be visiting the facilities on January 4, beginning at the Administration office at 8:30 am.

Staff is looking to purchase a Bobcat through the Illinois State bid. This particular machine would fit most of the equipment currently owned by the park district. **It should also be noted that of the \$26,062 cost, \$15,000 has been donated by the Tracey family specifically for this purchase.**

The Committee will recommend the purchase in the consent agenda.

c. Annual Recommendations

i. Outdoor Pools

Staff discussed the few changes made to the annual recommendations. The twilight fees from 6pm – close will go up from \$3 last year to \$4 based on what other pools are doing. Group outings remain the same, private parties and birthday parties will increase by 4%, again based on other area prices to stay competitive. Season passes will be sold the same as the past year.

ii. Park Center – The Park Center recommendations are divided into 4 distinct areas.

1. General Operations: For the most part, only date adjustments are being recommended. There is a recommended change in the babysitting program hours which reflects the use we are experiencing. Staff will not be opening between 11:30 -1 unless a patron calls in advance to reserve the time.

Commissioner Katsamakakis arrived at 8:15 am.

2. Rentals: There are fewer gym rentals anticipated as staff has scheduled more programs in the space. A question was asked about the school gym usage?

3. Health and Fitness: Staff is recommending two changes: Platinum upgrade membership and personal training with a 4% increase each. Adding a new one-week membership as we get many requests during the holidays, \$35 for resident and \$40 for non resident for a week, ages 11 and up.

4. Splash Landing: Staff is introducing Special Fee days for mothers', fathers' and Grandparents' days. Page 5 addresses the issues of aides coming in with children or the disabled. They are free but need a doctor's form to prove necessity.

Commissioner Beck recommended a tool where you issue a card to be used once in Glenview, once in Deerfield, etc. A traveling indoor pool pass, 6 pack or something, a "groupon type" pass.

5. Sports Field Rentals: This policy has undergone significant changes from last year. In the past the district has let baseball schedule the fields, and not made them available for other rentals. New policies will allow for other uses after priority uses are scheduled. Bob Quill stated that we no longer will rent our fields to for-profit organizations. We can do priority scheduling with the different groups, but not exclusive scheduling.

d. Other:

Chuck Balling discussed the dog park. Kathleen McInnis indicated we are running close to where we were last year; Des Plaines would like to buy 50 passes for its residents. The staff recommended to defer any consideration of this request until after the upcoming spring re-registration season.

Park Center Design Services Proposed Contract

A proposal is currently being worked on by Williams Associates and Staff has yet to see a copy. This issue will remain on the agenda in anticipation of having had the time to negotiate an acceptable arrangement.

GTAC swimmer

Olivia Smoliga got 3rd place in the Nationals in December, she is potentially Olympic Bound.

3. Matters from the Public

None

4. Committee Recommendations

The Committee will recommend the purchase of a Bobcat through the Illinois State bid for Wagner Farm.

5. @Adjourn to Executive Session—Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 et seq. possible topics

- a. Minutes (Sub-section c21)
- b. Litigation (c11)
- c. Land Acquisition/Lease (c5 & c6)

6. Action on items that were discussed in Executive Session, if any

7. Adjourn

Commissioner Beck moved seconded by Commissioner Patton to adjourn the Open Session at 9:02 am. On Voice Vote: All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:

Angie Katsamakakis, Board President

Charles T. Balling, Secretary

Approved this 20th day of January, 2011