

FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Administration Building
1215 Waukegan Road
Glenview, IL 60026
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 22, 2011

1. Roll Call

Commissioner Patton called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and the roll was called.

Commissioners/Official Staff present: Commissioners Ted Przybylo, Bob Patton, Bill Casey, Charlie Kuhn, Angie Katsamakias, Treasurer Bill Moore, Executive Director Chuck Balling, Supt. of Administrative Operations Barb Cremin, Manager of Business Services Nicole Hopkins; Division Superintendents Cheryl Deom, Fred Gullen, Bob Quill.

Commissioners/Official Staff absent: Commissioners MJ Coulson; Dan Petersen

2. Agenda Topics

1. Financial Review- Barb Cremin presented an overview of the District's financial position. The District continues to remain financially strong due to conservative and efficient use of resources, cash reserves, intergovernmental agreements, TIF make whole payments, strong participation levels, and the residual impact of earlier new growth on developer donations and tax revenue. Revenue from developer donations, new growth and state grants has shown a steep decline and this is not expected to recover in the near future. The district's cash reserves have been a key factor in its ability to maintain its Aaa Moody's bond rating and its long term financial stability. Areas to continue to monitor include the tax support needed to maintain the primarily non- revenue generating assets such as parks, playground, and sports fields as well as the long term ability of the golf and ice operations to cover their operating costs and some capital costs through user fees. Plans have been implemented to increase the reserves in Park Services and Special Facilities to address these issues. There is also a list of potential projects which will need prioritization and funding. The updated cost estimates and funding sources for Administration building, Willow Park Field house, Glenview National 9 clubhouse and the fitness expansion were reviewed. Staff requested an additional \$75,000 from the capital development fund for the construction of the Willow Park Fieldhouse project based on the bids.
2. Tax Levy- Barb Cremin explained the tax levy process, the "tax cap" and the impact of capturing the new EAV growth and Consumer Price Increase (CPI) in the levy process. Based on a Committee request, staff provided options for essentially freezing the amount of the tax revenue for one year. The committee agreed that the CPI increase and

new growth should be captured in the levy in the tax capped funds in order to protect future taxing ability but that the increase in the CPI will be offset by a reduction in the levy of the non- capped funds. The reduction in the levy would primarily impact the Special Recreation Fund. Reserves would be used to cover a portion of this year's operating expenses rather than new tax revenue. This action would not result in any reduction in services. Staff also noted that this approach could only be sustainable for one year. The option was also presented to issue the annual rollover for a lesser amount. Doing so however, would result in less funding this year for the Capital Development Fund.

3. Other- Barb Cremin reported that the auditors will be at the September Finance committee meeting to provide an overview of the audit, The timetable for issuing the annual rollover bond will also be provided at the September Finance committee.

4. Matters from the Public-None

5. Committee Recommendation(s)

- a. **Allocate an additional \$75,000 from the Capital Development fund for the Willow park Field house project**
- b. **Issue the rollover bond in the same manner as done previously without an additional reduction in the amount.**
- c. **Prepare the levy to capture the CPI and new growth in the tax capped funds and offset the CPI increase with a reduction in the non –tax capped funds by using the Special Recreation Fund balance.**

6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

ATTEST:

Angie Katsamakis
Board President

Charles T. Balling
Board Secretary

Approved this 22nd day of September, 2011

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