

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PLEASURE DRIVEWAY AND PARK DISTRICT OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS, HELD AT 6:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2006 AT THE PEORIA PARK DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, GLEN OAK PAVILION, 2218 N. PROSPECT ROAD, PEORIA, ILLINOIS.

President Cassidy presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Trustees Allen, Budzinski, Cummings, Petty, Ryan, Vice President Johnson and President Cassidy.

TRUSTEES ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Attorney Jim Konsky, Mike Baietto, Jan Budzinski, Chief Bob James, Dennis Mantick, Cyndy McKone, Shalessie Pie, Bill Roeder, Becky Swiger, Bill Woolard, Brent Wheeler, Dave Wheeler, Joe Atkinson, Ray Boyer, Mike Friberg, Pat Magilson, Steve Montez, Yvonne Strode and V. Joyce McLemore.

PRESS PRESENT: Rishika Murthy, Peoria Journal Star,

OTHERS PRESENT: Oneita Volz, League of Women Voters, 2038 West Delray; Don Wolland, Izaak Walton League, 1314 W. Tobi Lane, Peoria; Betsy Bladel, Beth Myers, Martin Palmer, East Bluff United Neighborhood Association, 1706 N. California, Peoria; Karrie Alms, 1005 N.E. Perry Avenue, Peoria; Sara Alwan, 1609 W. Pierson, Peoria; Paula Lewis, 712 Evans, Peoria; Lisa Slane, Glen Oak Historic District (President), 1515 N.E. Glen Oak, Peoria.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All stood and recited the pledge.

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF PARK DISTRICT'S COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD: President Cassidy introduced an award for Don Wolland, a Clyde West Fishing Derby volunteer. Steve Montez, Supervisor of Arts & Leisure Services paid tribute to Don's 35-years volunteering for the annual fishing derby held at Glen Oak Park Lagoon. Don has served as President of Izaak Walton League at both the local and national levels. President Cassidy presented an award plaque to Don.

MINUTES: There being no additions or corrections, **TRUSTEE PETTY MOVED APPROVAL FOR MINUTES OF MARCH 22, 2006 REGULAR MEETING OF PARK BOARD TRUSTEES. Motion seconded by Trustee Allen and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

There being no additions or corrections, **TRUSTEE PETTY MOVED APPROVAL FOR MINUTES OF MARCH 29, 2006 SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE PARK BOARD TRUSTEES AND PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #150 BOARD OF EDUCATION TRUSTEES HELD AT VALESKA HINTON EARLY EDUCATION CENTER. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on the following voice vote: Trustees Allen, Cummings, Petty, Vice President Johnson and President Cassidy. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays; 2 Abstains, Trustees Budzinski and Ryan being absent from the meeting)**

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

TRUSTEE ROGER ALLEN RECEIVES SCHLINK GOOD GOVERNMENT AWARD (PEORIA JAYCEES)

Director Noble announced Trustee Allen was recognized for the outstanding contributions, community leadership and service he has demonstrated throughout his career. Roger has served on the Peoria Park District Board of Trustees as an elected volunteer for 26 years, serving five terms as Vice President. A 37-year veteran of the field of finance, Roger has provided valuable guidance as Chairman of the District's Finance Committee for all but one of those years, sharing his expertise through vision, fiscal responsibility and leadership, inclusive planning and teamwork.

The Good Government Award memorializes Charles C. Schlink, who gave unstintingly of his time to promote community enterprises and to gain favorable recognition for his native city before his untimely death at age 37. Active in business, civic and religious affairs, Schlink is credited with being primarily responsible for Peoria being named the "1953 All-America City" by the National Municipal League and Look Magazine, and for bringing council-manager government to the city. Schlink was awarded the Jaycees Good Government Award in 1941.

PLANNING/DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION DIVISION:

Superintendent Swiger presented the March 2006 report.

PARKS DIVISION:

Superintendent Baietto presented the March 2006 report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

BILLS

TRUSTEE ALLEN REPORTED THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HAD EXAMINED THE BILLS AND FOUND THEM TO BE CORRECT AND MOVED THAT THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE ORDERS ON THE TREASURER FOR THE SEVERAL AMOUNTS:

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GENERAL	324,187.50
RECREATION	134,188.67
LIABILITY	71,723.99
MUSEUM	16,889.90
POLICE	1,618.69
WORKMAN'S COMP	89,851.51
BONDED PROJECTS	68,009.90
PAVING & LIGHTING	3,054.73
RIVERFRONT EVENTS	8,365.48
DETWEILLER MARINA	1,276.13
GOLF	110,279.09
HISRA	12,806.39
RIVERPLEX	45,004.03
TOTAL PAYABLES:	887,256.01
TOTAL PAYROLL #6 3/24/06:	367,393.11
TOTAL PAYROLL #7 4/7/06:	376,420.03

FINANCE COMMITTEE:
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Motion seconded by Trustee Budzinski and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

Minutes were presented for Finance Committee meeting held Wednesday, March 22, 2006.

NEW BUSINESS:

RATIFICATION: RENAMING OF OWENS CENTER RINK #1 TO SAVOIE RINK

The Park Board was polled on this matter so that the announcement could be made when Matt returned home from the Olympics in March 2006. Matt Savoie began skating at Owens Center when he was 9 years old. Over the years he has placed at the US Figure Skating Association Nationals; won a National Junior Championship; earned many medals at other national competitions; and this year Matt placed seventh in the 2006 Olympics. In Matt's honor, the Park Board determined Rink #1 at Owens Center be renamed *Savoie Rink*.

TRUSTEE CUMMINGS MOVED TO RATIFY PREVIOUS TRUSTEE POLL APPROVING RENAMING OF OWENS RINK #1 TO *SAVOIE RINK*. Motion seconded by Trustee Budzinski and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

CALENDAR OF CONSENT:

BID: TRUCKS

With staff recommendation, TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED TO ACCEPT LOW BID MEETING SPECIFICATIONS AND PURCHASE TWO (2) DUMP TRUCKS FROM LANDMARK FORD OF SPRINGFIELD IL FOR \$77,689.00. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

BID: UTILITY LOADER

With staff recommendation, TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED TO ACCEPT LOW BID MEETING SPECIFICATIONS AND PURCHASE ONE (1) UTILITY LOADER FROM TRI-STATE CO. OF BETTENDORF IA. FOR \$18,648.00. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

BID: BATHHOUSE ROOF REPLACEMENT-LAKEVIEW FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER

With staff recommendation, TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED TO ACCEPT THE LOW QUALIFIED BID FROM WYMAN ROOFING & SHEET METAL, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$69,000.00 FOR ROOF REPLACEMENT AT THE LAKEVIEW FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER BATHHOUSE. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

QUOTE: TURF TOPPER

With staff recommendation, TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED TO ACCEPT LOW QUOTE OF \$17,647.00 FROM CHRISTENSEN POWER EQUIPMENT OF FRANKFURT IL. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE: MOWERS

With staff recommendation, TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) DEERE 1445/60 MOWERS WITH MODIFICATIONS FROM JOHN DEERE CO. FOR \$34,018.50 PER STATE CONTRACT #4013467. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

CALENDAR OF CONSENT:
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STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE: ROTARY MOWER

With staff recommendation, TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) TORO MODEL #30411 ROTARY MOWER FROM TRI-STATE COMPANY OF BETTENDORF IA FOR \$40,328.27 UNDER STATE CONTRACT #4013465. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING FOR GRANT WRITING SERVICES

Charles H. Schrader and Associates have provided grant services including research, preparation, presentation and agency contact work required for various grants for the past thirteen years. With staff recommendation TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED TO ACCEPT THE LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING FOR SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR (3/1/2006-2/28/2007) AT A COST OF \$12,000. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

REQUEST FOR USE OF PEORIA STADIUM SOFTBALL FIELDS

With staff recommendation, TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED APPROVAL FOR REQUEST FROM PEORIA POLICE BENEVOLENT UNIT #27 TO USE PEORIA STADIUM SOFTBALL FIELD ON AUGUST 12-13, 2006, TO HOST 2006 POLICE BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results; 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

REQUEST FOR USE OF GRAND VIEW DRIVE FOR ST. JUDE WELLNESS WALK

With staff recommendation, TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM ST. JUDE TO USE GRAND VIEW DRIVE TO EAST TANGLEWOOD, TO CONDUCT 2006 WELLNESS WALK FOR ST. JUDE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2006. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

REQUEST FOR USE OF DR. M.L. KING JR. PARK AND JOHN GWYNN PARK

With staff recommendation, TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM YOUTH DEPARTMENT OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS JURISDICTION, STATE YOUTH DEPARTMENT TO HOST A STATE YOUTH RALLY AT MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PARK AND JOHN GWYNN PARK PAVILION ON SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2006, FROM 10:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

REQUEST FOR USE OF GLEN OAK ZOO

With staff recommendation, TRUSTEE BUDZINSKI MOVED APPROVAL OF REQUEST BY MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION (MDA) TO CONDUCT ITS ANNUAL "STRIDE AND RIDE" FUNDRAISER WALK ON SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2006 FROM 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. Motion seconded by Vice President Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

PENDING BUSINESS:

None.

**CITIZEN REQUEST
TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

Martin Palmer, East Bluff United Neighborhood Association

Mr. Palmer requested to address the Board to express concerns regarding the recent announcement that District #150, in cooperation with the Park Board, plans to build a new school adjacent to Glen Oak Park. Martin invited the Park Board to join neighborhood associations in discussions regarding this school project.

President Cassidy stated an intergovernmental agreement between the School District and the Park District is to be drafted and that nothing is finalized until that agreement is voted on by both boards.

Trustee Cummings asked Mr. Martin what information he wanted and what was the fundamental question the neighbors had. Mr. Martin stated neighbors want to keep the school in the bluff and keep the park, and to be included and have some part in the decision-making process. Mr. Palmer stated neighborhoods' perception of poor communications regarding this project. President Cassidy requested neighborhood associations invite the Park District to attend meetings.

Karrie Alms

Mrs. Alms distributed copies of her formal written inquiry regarding Park District Participation with School District #150 – School Site(s), and her perceptions of taxpayer access to information. Vice President Johnson noted he had researched the Morton Square Park inquiry. The Peoria School District #150 Facility Master Plan speaks to use of Morton Square Park and that plan is not part of the Peoria Park District – that is a District #150 issue.

Trustee Cummings made a motion to invite all neighborhood associations to any Park District meetings regarding the school project. Motion seconded by Trustee Petty. Attorney Konsky noted the motion could not be voted upon at this meeting as the action did not appear on the Park Board published agenda. Staff stated they will go ahead and will notify the homeowners associations of Park Board meetings.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Communications were received as submitted.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayoral Proclamations for Heart of Illinois Special Recreation Association (HISRA)

Trustee Budzinski presented two proclamations presented by Mayor Ardis to HISRA for its many accomplishments in collaboration with Peoria, Morton and Chillicothe Park Districts.

HISRA provides recreational opportunities for physically challenged citizens, and furthering participation of adults and children in ACCESS EXPERIENCE, an official, integral part of Peoria's hosting of the IHSA State Basketball Tournament.

HISRA Cubs Basketball Team and coaches received recognition for competing in the Special Olympics State Basketball Tournament and becoming the State Champions in their division.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:35 p.m., D.S.T., there being no further agenda business, **TRUSTEE PETTY MOVED TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER 2 C)(1) FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC**

ADJOURNMENT:
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BODY, INCLUDING HEARING TESTIMONY ON A COMPLAINT LODGED AGAINST AN EMPLOYEE TO DETERMINE ITS VALIDITY, THE BOARD TO ADJOURN OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION. Motion seconded by Trustee Budzinski and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Allen, Budzinski, Cummings, Petty, Ryan, Vice President Johnson and President Cassidy voting "Aye," no "Nays".
(Results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays)

V. Joyce McLemore
Secretary, Board of Trustees