

**Chicago Heights Park District
Park District Board of Commissioners
Special Board Meeting
June 9, 2014
7:00 p.m.**

Meeting called to Order: The Meeting of the Chicago Heights Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Upon roll call, the following board members were present: President Mosby, Commissioner Leon, Commissioner Burnett, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Garner, and Commissioner Straczek. Commissioner Ochoa was recorded absent. A quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes on May 12, 2014 on the Regular Board Meeting by Commissioner Burnett, seconded by Commissioner Leon. The following ayes were recorded: President Mosby, Commissioner Leon, Commissioner Burnett, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Garner, and Commissioner Straczek.

President Report: President Mosby stated that Superintendent Perez did a great job with the "Run for the Troops" event. She stated that she was not able to attend because her granddaughter had a similar event on the same day. She did inform Superintendent Perez that she did have a donation for the race. She stated that the City Wide Clean-up was great success too. She ended her report that the parks look great, but she would like to see more flowers in the parks.

Treasure Report: None given.

Commissioners Report

Commissioner Leon: Commissioner Leon stated that the "Run for the Troops" event hosted by Superintendent Perez and the Chicago Heights Park District was a great success.

Commissioner Burnett: Commissioner Burnett apologized for not attending the "Run for the Troops" event. He also informed that board that he would be resigning from his position as Treasure for the Chicago Heights Park District Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Baikauskas: Commissioner Baikauskas also apologized for not attending the "Run for the Troops" event due to the City Wide Clean Up event on the same day. He also thanked Assistant Superintendent/Athletic Director, Mike DeButch, coaches, kids, and parents, Chicago Heights Police Department, Fire Department and Commissioner Burnett for all of their work on the Baseball Parade. He also stated he was pleased to see the increase of usage for the "Dial-A-Ride" service provided by the Chicago Heights Park District.

Commissioner Garner: Commissioner Garner stated that she was not about to attend the 1st Annual "Run For the Troops" event. She congratulated the entire park district staff on doing an awesome job. She also thanked the Chicago Heights Park District staff that helped with the City Wide Clean Up. She was grateful for the runners from the "Run for the Troops" event for helping with the City Wide Clean Up. She also announced the joint efforts of Commissioners from ward 5, 6, & 7 for the Annual Bike Rodeo and the Great American Camp Out

event scheduled for June 28th. She concluded her report by announcing the annual Fire Works and special show on Thursday, July 3rd.

Commissioner Straczek: Commissioner Straczek congratulated Superintendent Perez and the Chicago Heights Park District for doing an excellent job with the “Run for the Troops” events. He also thanked John Stanfa for doing a great job with both golf courses. He concluded his report by announcing his joint ward meeting with Alderman Zarante at Commissioners Park on Thursday, June 26th at 6 pm.

Commissioner Ochoa: Commissioner Ochoa announced that Golf Course Supervisor, Mr. Ayala for doing a great job on April 28th at all locations.

Attorney Report: None given.

Superintendent Report: Superintendent Perez stated that Summer Camp started today at Commissioners Park with great staff and activities for the campers. He informed the board that there were still slots available for children as a part of that camp. He also stated that the food program started today too. The food will be delivered to several parks by the Greater Food Depository. The park attendants will help promote this free food program by distribution of flyers to the residents. He also thanked everyone for all of their help with the “Run for the Troops” event. He also thanked all the following sponsors: *Chicago Heights Lions Club, Ultra Foods, Dave Huerta, and City of Chicago Heights*. He also thanked Senator Toi Hutchinson for working with IDOT for the road closing. He said that \$1,400 will be donated to the USO of Illinois. He stated that in spite of the extreme busy month the Chicago Heights Park District did an awesome job in all events. He informed the board that at the next board meeting a replacement for the vacant Treasurer position will be filled. He thanked the entire park district staff for doing a great job this season. He also informed the board that \$151,000 Summer Youth Job grant has been confirmed by Senator Toi Hutchinson. He informed the board that the youth applications that board members submitted last year, those applicants will be hired to work for the summer through this grant.

Public Participation: Mr. Al Slavick from the South Suburban Sportsman’s club presented a \$200 check to the Chicago Heights Park District for the upcoming Chicago Heights Park District Archery Program. Assistant Superintendent/Athletic Director, Mike DeButch informed the board of the passing of Mr. Tom Demuth, former Chicago Heights Park District employee and former Park Board Commissioner, Michel Pauley.

New Business

Submission of Bills: On a motion to pay the bills for the month of May 2014 by Commissioner Straczek, seconded by Commissioner Garner. The following ayes were recorded: President Mosby, Commissioner Leon, Commissioner Burnett, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Garner, and Commissioner Straczek.

Ordinance: On an ordinance 2014-03 Adopting prevailing wage rates for the year 2014 to be paid to laborers, mechanics and other workers performing construction of public works in the Chicago Heights Park district, Cook County, Illinois by Commissioner Garner, seconded by Commissioner Leon. The following ayes were recorded: President Mosby, Commissioner Leon, Commissioner Burnett, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Garner, and Commissioner Straczek.

Ordinance: On an ordinance 2014-04 Approving and adopting a revised Park District Ward Map for the Chicago Heights Park District by Commissioner Leon, seconded by Commissioner Burnett. The following ayes were recorded: President Mosby, Commissioner Leon, Commissioner Burnett, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Garner, and Commissioner Straczek.

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Motion: On a motion to set a Public Hearing concerning 2014-2015 fiscal year budget for July 14th, 2014 at 6:46 p.m. by Commissioner Garner, seconded by Commissioner Burnett. The following ayes were recorded: President Mosby, Commissioner Leon, Commissioner Burnett, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Garner, and Commissioner Straczek

Adjournment: On a motion to adjourned the Regular Scheduled Board Meeting at 7:36 p.m. by Garner, seconded by Commissioner Leon. The following ayes were recorded: President Mosby, Commissioner Leon, Commissioner Burnett, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Garner, Commissioner Straczek and Commissioner Ochoa

Secretary

Date

