

**GODLEY PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 12, 2016**

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 5:47 p.m. by President Alton. Those present for roll call were Commissioners R. Stanford, J. Krug, K. DeMarse and E. Alton. Staff present was: Director Dayna Heitz, Attorney George Marchetti, Cheryl Lenig, Lee Ann Zaremba, Melissa Woodard, Heather Kuban, Carrie Vasil, Angie Krug, Ryan Togliatti, and Nick Taylor. Residents in attendance were: Darrell Schott, Robert Swisher, Richard Easter, Lori Lander, Bobby Floyd, Frank Willis and Marvin Mack

PUBLIC COMMENT

Robert Swisher indicated he was interested in speaking to the board regarding the open commissioner seat. Mr. Swisher further stated he has lived in Godley over 40 years and has served 12 years on the village board. He asked to be considered for the open Commissioner seat.

Commissioner Alton asked if a vote could be taken tonight. Director Heitz stated the nomination needed to be listed on the agenda. Commissioner Krug stated we voted on the same night when Monica Mack inquired about the position. Director Heitz stated the commissioners were able to vote because the nomination was placed on the agenda per the request of a commissioner.

Commissioner Alton asked if the nomination could be added next month. Mr. Swisher stated he would not be able to attend another meeting until March. Commissioner Alton asked for nomination to be added to the March 8th board meeting. Commissioner Alton inquired if anyone else would like to add to it. Commissioner DeMarse would like Monica Mack's name on the March agenda as well. Mr. Gillette has already submitted his letter of interest. Resident Darrell Schott asked if there will be an election for the position. Commissioner Alton stated not until 2017. Mr. Swisher inquired if he could ask about the land cash donation option.

Mr. Swisher stated he did not understand how a new development would cause a deficiency and expenses to the current general residents. Director Heitz explained a new development, like a subdivision, would increase the number of residents the park would service. It would be the builder who would provide land or cash to the park. Director Heitz stated it's my job to bring it to the board's attention. It's up to the board whether or not they would like to have the land cash donation on file for the district. Daryl Scott asked if it only applied to residential. Daryl Schott inquired if the District was going to make any improvements to the 80 acres.

Director Heitz stated a survey had been taken and community meetings were held prior to receiving the OSLAD grant. Per the results, people wanted the development to be here. Mr. Swisher voiced his disapproval of adopting a land cash donation. He did not feel it was necessary since the District has a \$1.5 million budget now and believes it is ridiculous to consider such an option.

Commissioner Alton asked if there were any further comments or questions. None stated.

CORRESPONDENCE

The commissioners received thank you cards from Teresa Slanick & the Frank Willis family for their senior resident Christmas gift card.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the November 10, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes was made by Commissioner Krug, seconded by Commissioner Stanford. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: R. Stanford, J. Krug, K. DeMarse, and E. Alton. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE WARRANT

A motion to approve the warrant dated November 2015 was made by Commissioner DeMarse, seconded by Commissioner Krug. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: R. Stanford, J. Krug, K. DeMarse, and E. Alton. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, the motion carried.

Commissioner Krug asked about game room tables. Director Heitz replied the legs on the checker board tables were replaced and the tables were repainted. President Alton asked who Mack & Associates is. Director Heitz responded they are the consultants we have used for the past year to review our payroll and accounting practices. Lori Pope will be reviewing the year end payroll information. This is to ensure there are no incidental errors. We are unable to use our auditors. It is considered a conflict of interest for them. SKDO recommended Mack and Associates.

A motion to approve the warrant dated December 2015 was made by Commissioner Krug, seconded by Commissioner Stanford. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: R. Stanford, J. Krug, K. DeMarse, and E. Alton. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, the motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Heitz readdressed the issue regarding the land cash donation and any new property development within the park district's boundaries. Director Heitz stated it is her job to bring

such matters to the commissioner's attention. Director Heitz further stated even though we do have a large budget, we also have extensive grounds and staff. The land cash donation does not affect the current resident's taxes only the builder pays fees in lieu of land or donates land per value when developing a new subdivision. The builder would work with the board to decide if they donate land or money. Many factors go into the decision as to what will be provided. Director Heitz reminded the commissioners they did not have to decide right now. It is an option they may want to consider.

IAPD/IPRA conference will be held at the end of the month.

Nick and Dayna will talk to Mark Small about property agreement.

Staff will begin working on budgets tomorrow morning.

Human Resources have issued the new policy manual to the staff. The manual was updated in December and became effective January 1st. Based on new employment laws, salaried staff members have begun recording the hours they work. It's a law in case there is ever an audit. Some salaried staff members are being changed to hourly due to requirements of the law and the classifications. Director Heitz will be working with the attorney's to implement this and help with the transition process.

Director Heitz explained Will County is losing their electronic recycling contract. The requirements by the new provider will require more work for us. Director Heitz stated she has spoken with the maintenance department regarding the requirements. Maintenance stated they would not be able to handle the additional work load. Director Heitz further stated several districts have opted out of offering electronic recycling. There is a grant available, but the grant does not cover the cost of the necessary manpower. We have the current provider into February. Commissioner Alton agreed it would be too much for our guys to handle. Commissioner Krug also agreed.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF LAND CASH DONATION ORDINANCE

The matter was tabled to the February 2016 board of commissioners meeting.

APPOINTMENT OF ROBBINS & SCHWARTZ

Director Heitz informed the commissioners that the District's attorney David Freeman has changed firms. He has left Tressler LLP and is working at Robbins Schwartz. The District can continue with the same attorney. It would only be a change in firms. Attorney Marchetti explained that Robbins Schwartz is more of a governmental law firm. Commissioner Alton inquired if Kathy Elliot was affiliated with Robbins Schwartz. Director Heitz replied yes but she would not be involved nor have access to any of the District's information. Commissioner Alton asked if they needed to make a decision today. Attorney Marchetti recommended they do so as to not create a problem with Tressler. Commissioner Alton inquired if they could go into executive session. Director Heitz replied yes for the purpose of legal counsel for a public body.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by President Alton, seconded by Commissioner Krug to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 pm. The board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting for the purpose of discussion of legal counsel for a public body. On voice vote, the motion carried.

The Regular meeting reconvened at 6:28

APPOINTMENT OF ROBBIN SCHWARTZ

A motion was made Commissioner DeMarse, seconded by Commissioner Krug to appoint Robbins Schwartz as legal counsel. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: R. Stanford, J. Krug, K. DeMarse, and E. Alton. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, the motion carried.

MOTION ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Stanford, seconded by Commissioner Krug to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm. The board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by: Lee Ann Zaremba

OFFICIAL REPORTS:

1. Board Meeting Minutes (November 10, 2015)
2. Warrant (November & December 2015)
3. Consideration of Land Cash Donation Ordinance
4. Appointment of Robbins Schwartz