

MINNEAPOLIS PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board

February 15, 2006
5:00 p.m. – 2117 West River Road

President Olson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Walt Dziedzic, Bob Fine, Carol Kummer (arrived at 5:05 p.m.), Mary Merrill Anderson, Tracy Nordstrom, Tom Nordyke, Scott Vreeland, Annie Young (arrived at 5:06 p.m.) and President Jon Olson.

Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Fine moved, seconded by Commissioner Vreeland –

THAT THE AGENDA, AS WRITTEN, BE APPROVED.

Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Fine –

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 1, 2006 REGULAR MEETING BE APPROVED.

Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Superintendent Gurban commented on a couple of highlights in his Activity Report for January 2006. A copy of Superintendent Gurban's Activity Report is made part of the Board's permanent record.

Jennifer Ringold gave her bi-monthly Comprehensive Plan Update. A copy of the report is made part of the Board's permanent record.

CONSENT BUSINESS

Commissioner Fine moved, seconded by Commissioner Nordyke –

- 2.1 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE FINAL PAYMENT TO ARRIGONI BROTHERS COMPANY, CONTRACT NO. 19848, FOR SERVICES FOR HARRISON PARK PLAYGROUND AND SITE IMPROVEMENTS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE FROM FUNDS ALREADY ENCUMBERED FOR THIS CONTRACT.
- 2.2 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE FINAL PAYMENT TO STELLAR ENERGY SERVICES, INC., CONTRACT NO. 21770 FOR THE DUAL FUEL GENERATOR FOR PARK POLICE HEADQUARTERS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$574.78. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE FROM FUNDS ALREADY ENCUMBERED FOR THIS CONTRACT.
- 2.3 THAT THE BOARD AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA CONTRACT NO. 433219 WITH GOODIN COMPANY FOR AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL EXPENDITURE OF \$55,000.00 FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING VARIOUS PLUMBING SUPPLIES AS NEED THROUGH THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONTRACT TERMS.
- 2.4 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MINNEAPOLIS PARK & RECREATION BOARD AND THE MINNEAPOLIS BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL – TRADES UNIT, EFFECTIVE DATE RETROACTIVE TO MAY 1, 2005 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2008.

Action Taken: Approved on a Voice Vote

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Commissioner B. Fine, Chair; Commissioners C. Kummer,
W. Dziedzic, A. Young and T. Nordstrom

Upon staff recommendation, it was the consensus of the Board to removed item 4.2 from the agenda.

- 4.2 THAT THE BOARD GRANT AN EASEMENT AND APPROVE A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH FRICH DEVELOPMENT GROUP FOR PROPERTY ADJACENT TO FRUEN MILL SUBJECT TO THE TERMS.

Action Taken: 4.2 removed from agenda – no action taken.

Commissioner Fine moved, seconded by Commissioner Nordstrom -

- 4.1 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE SCHEMATIC DESIGN FOR JORDAN PARK IMPROVEMENTS.
- 4.3 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE FINAL PLANS FOR THE I35W BRIDGE OVER MINNEHAHA CREEK, AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO APPROVE DETAILS AND ISSUE CONSTRUCTION PERMITS BASED ON MPRB POLICIES FOR CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS.

Action Taken: Approved on a Voice Vote

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Kummer -

- 8.1 THAT THE BOARD AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF THE ESTOPPEL AGREEMENT REGARDING LEASE AMONG THE MINNEAPOLIS PARK AND RECREATION BOARD (LANDLORD), ISLAND SASH AND DOOR CO., LLC (TENANT), COREYXO, LLC (BORROWER/SUBTENANT), LAWRENCE W. ABDO (GUARANTOR) AND M&I MARSHALL & ILSLEY BANK (LENDER) FOR THE NICOLLET ISLAND INN BUILDING.

Action Taken: Approved on a Roll Call Vote (AYES: Commissioners Dziejic, Kummer, Merrill Anderson, Nordstrom, Nordyke, Vreeland, Young and President Olson – 8; Abstain: Fine – 1; Absent: None.)

Charter Commissioner Report

Commissioner Young reported on the process of the Charter rewrite and commented on the incredible amount of time spent on this process.

Brian Rice reported on the substantial revisions between Drafts 8d and 8e, most which centered on Park Board issues. He stated that Commissioner Young did an excellent job in presenting the Park Board views.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no “New Business” to be heard.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioners reported on communications received and activities that have taken place since the February 1, 2006 Regular Meeting. Copies of communications submitted are made part of the Board’s permanent record.

- 1.1 Letter dated January 30, 2006 to the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board from Christine Larsen and Scott E. Peterson asking the Board to consider alternative locations for the proposed DeLaSalle Athletic Development Project.

PLACED ON FILE

- 1.2 Email dated February 7, 2006 to Superintendent Gurban from Chief Brad Johnson regarding a Chinese delegation's visit to the Park Police stable in Maple Plain.
PLACED ON FILE
- 1.3 Email dated February 3, 2006 to Superintendent Gurban on behalf of Mark Kaplan regarding the excellent maintenance the Park board undertakes in regard to the Lake Harriet paths.
PLACED ON FILE
- 1.4 Email dated February 7, 2006 to Superintendent Gurban from Jennifer Ringold regarding staff support of the Comp Plan.
PLACED ON FILE
- 1.5 Letter dated February 6, 2006 to Park Board members from Patience Caso, Clean Water Action Alliance regarding the proposed football field expansion on Nicollet Island.
PLACED ON FILE
- 1.6 Email submitted by Commissioner Young from Emily McAuliffe regarding changing the canoe rack lottery.
PLACED ON FILE
- 1.7 Email submitted by Superintendent Gurban regarding the Bryant Avenue bridge and safety concerns.
PLACED ON FILE
- 1.8 Email submitted by Superintendent Gurban regarding the MPRB being awarded grant for preservation work on the Victory Memorial Drive Historic District.
PLACED ON FILE
- 1.9 Letter dated January 12, 2006 to Superintendent Gurban from Rose Vogan, Diversity Council Chair regarding promoting diversity in public displays.
PLACED ON FILE
- 1.10 Letter dated January 11, 2006 to President Olson and Superintendent Gurban from William Griswold, The Minneapolis Institute of Arts regarding the Board's visit to the museum and meeting with him and thanking them for support.
PLACED ON FILE
- 1.11 Email submitted by Superintendent Gurban from Chief Brad Johnson regarding a recent arrest at Minnehaha Falls.
PLACED ON FILE
- 1.12 Email submitted by Superintendent Gurban from Anne Kegley, Webber Park Center Director regarding the dedicated work of Tina Austin, River District Crew Leader.
PLACED ON FILE

- 1.13 Email submitted by Commissioner Young from Suzanne Durkacs regarding preserving the open space and public parkland on Nicollet Island.

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OPEN TIME

There was no one present wishing to be heard during "Open Time".

ADJOURNMENT

The time being 5:28 p.m. Commissioner Nordyke moved, seconded by Commissioner Fine –

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

Action Taken: Approved on a Voice Vote.

Regular Meeting adjourned at 5:28.