

**WHEELING PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
OCTOBER 6, 2009**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Wheeling Park District, Cook and Lake Counties, Illinois, was held in the Boardroom of the Community Recreation Center, 333 W. Dundee Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Pecka, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Commissioners were present when the roll was called: C. Klumpp, J. Kolssak, B. Lichtenberger, M. Kurgan, S. Stein, R. Rosen, and K. Pecka.

Staff members present were Jan Buchs, Executive Director; Elliott Becker, Director of Finance and Business Operations; Larry Raffel, Superintendent of Planning; Amy Rivas, Director of HR and Risk Management; and Marcia Jendreas, Recording Secretary.

Also present was Roberta Whitlock, resident.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CORRECTIONS** – None

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**A Public Hearing Concerning the Intent of the Wheeling Park District to Sell \$1,035,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds**

President Pecka called the Public Hearing to order at 7:02 p.m. He announced that this Public Hearing was called to receive public comments on the proposal to sell \$1,035,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds and he stated that all persons desiring to be heard will have the opportunity to present written or oral testimony at this time.

President Pecka explained that the reasons for the proposed issuance of the bonds are to pay for land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District, and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto.

There was no discussion by Commissioners.

Ms. Whitlock read from a prepared statement, expressing her views on keeping natural areas in the parks. She commented that she now realized this had nothing to do with the General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, but still wanted her concerns to be known. Executive Director Buchs asked her to provide a phone number and encouraged her to contact staff with any additional questions. Staff business cards were given to Ms. Whitlock.

There being no one present who wished to comment on the proposed bond issuance, Commissioner Klumpp moved, seconded by Commissioner Rosen, to close the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m.

**On the roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**AYE:** C. Klumpp, J. Kolssak, B. Lichtenberger, M. Kurgan, S. Stein, R. Rosen, K. Pecka

**NAY:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**Motion carried.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 15, 2009
- B. Resolution 2009-06 – Grant of Easement to Commonwealth Edison for Burial of Electrical Service Line in Horizon Park

Commissioner Lichtenberger moved, seconded by Commissioner Stein, to approve the Consent Agenda.

**On the roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**AYE:** J. Kolssak, B. Lichtenberger, M. Kurgan, S. Stein, R. Rosen, C. Klumpp, K. Pecka

**NAY:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**Motion carried.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution 2009-07 – NWSRA Assessment for 2010**

Executive Director Buchs explained that the NWSRA Board approved the NWSRA staff's recommendation to suspend the ordinary practice of applying the .016% rate to the last known E.A.V. and stay at the 2009 Member District Assessments. This means that the assessment remains consistent with the 2009 amount.

Commissioner Stein moved, seconded by Commissioner Lichtenberger, to approve Resolution 2009-07 – NWSRA Assessment for 2010 in the amount of \$229,240.78.

**On the roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**AYE:** B. Lichtenberger, M. Kurgan, S. Stein, R. Rosen, C. Klumpp, J. Kolssak, K. Pecka

**NAY:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**Motion carried.**

### **Bid Summary for Brochure Printing**

Executive Director Buchs reported that the Park District's Brochure Printing bid opening was held on October 1, 2009, and only one bid was submitted. It is staff's recommendation to reject the bid and contact printing companies to seek input as to why they did not bid. Staff will then make any appropriate adjustments and go back out to bid.

Commissioner Klumpp moved, seconded by Commissioner Kurgan, to reject the bid received on October 1, 2009, for the Park District Brochure Printing, and authorize staff to proceed to rebid the project.

**On the roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**AYE:** M. Kurgan, S. Stein, R. Rosen, C. Klumpp, J. Kolssak, B. Lichtenberger, K. Pecka

**NAY:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**Motion carried.**

### **Fireworks Display Request**

Executive Director Buchs explained that Chevy Chase Country Club is hosting a wedding reception on October 24, 2009, and the bride's family has requested permission to present a 15-minute fireworks display during the reception. Staff met with the contractor, and it was agreed that the 18<sup>th</sup> fairway is the appropriate staging location.

Commissioner Kolssak moved, seconded by Commissioner Rosen, to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Park Board, to approve the request for use of the Park District-owned property Chevy Chase Country Club, for a supervised public display of fireworks on October 24, 2009, on condition that the guest supplies the Park District with all of the necessary documentation, including, but not limited to, insurance coverage.

**The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

### **Reorganization of Administration Committee/Appointment of Committee Member**

President Pecka said that, due to the resignation of former Commissioner Smith, he will continue as Acting Chair of the Administration Committee. He proposed the appointment of

Commissioner Rosen as a member of the Committee. All Commissioners were in agreement with President Pecka's proposal.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Administration Committee** – Acting Chair Pecka said that the Committee met tonight to discuss the Supplemental Budget.

**Future Planning** – Chair Lichtenberger said that at the request of Village President Abruscato, the Wheeling Town Center 2040 Subcommittee was formed. Its main focus is the Wickes site.

**Intergovernmental & Community Relations** – Chair Klumpp advised that State Representative Sente is holding a Town Hall Meeting on October 7 at the Central Lake YMCA in Vernon Hills, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Planning is underway for the Historical Society's Lollipop Lane. This event will run December 5 through 13. Chair Klumpp invited all to volunteer.

President Pecka announced that Mr. Rooney is no longer the Wheeling Village Manager. Former Assistant Village Manager Sfondilis is now the Acting Village Manager.

**FINANCE**

**Voucher List 10A**

President Pecka moved, seconded by Commissioner Stein, to approve Voucher List 10A in the amount of \$399,043.87.

**On the roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**AYE:** R. Rosen, C. Klumpp, J. Kolssak, B. Lichtenberger, M. Kurgan, S. Stein, K. Pecka

**NAY:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**Motion carried.**

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS** – None

**VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Staff:**

Director Rivas stated that the H1N1 packets have been distributed to staff and Commissioners.

Superintendent Raffel advised that the surveying crew was in the process of staking out the

Heritage Park entry road, and the contractor hopes to finish the project in two weeks. Informational signs will be erected. He congratulated Commissioner Lichtenberger on finishing first in his group in the Heritage Classic 5K race.

Director Becker distributed copies of a document giving information about the financial advisor that the Park District will be using.

Executive Director Buchs said that the VGBA project will begin later this week, and work on replacing the HVAC rooftop units will begin the week of October 19.

Notice was received from IDNR, denying the Park District's application for grant assistance to renovate Northside Park. Executive Director Buchs said that IDNR received 95 applications and only 49 were approved. Staff is now considering the options of phasing the project or reapplying for the grant.

Executive Director Buchs advised that she received a letter from President Abruscato asking for Park District support for the 2010 U. S. Census. She asked that anyone interested in serving on the Complete Count Committee contact her.

**Board:**

Commissioner Rosen thanked staff for the wonderful welcome, and for providing him with a lot of information about the Park District. He enjoyed the Pigskin Party in the Park and the 5K/10K Race. He also attended the State of the Schools Address at London School.

Commissioner Stein enjoyed the Pigskin Party in the Park and had fun in the dunk tank. She also enjoyed the 5K/10K Race. She received a citizen comment about the possibility that too many fitness classes, such as the Spin classes, are offered and that is why some classes get cancelled because of lack of students.

Commissioner Kurgan attended the Guest Appreciation Day at Chevy Chase. Wheeling High School's golf team also had an outing that day, and he heard a lot of positive comments about the facility.

Commissioner Klumpp advised that she will not be in attendance at the October 20 meeting.

Commissioner Kolssak said he had a great time at the Pigskin Party in the Park and thought there should have been more music. He commented that maybe the Park District could partner with another organization for future events, such as the Burn Camp that is held at Market Square in the summer.

Commissioner Lichtenberger said he enjoyed the 5K/10K Race and he thought the Pigskin Party in the Park went really well. He attended the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Rotary Club and had a great time. He thanked Director Wehby for coming to Wheeling High School to discuss ways that the Park District and High School can work cooperatively to benefit the community. Commissioner

Lichtenberger commented that Representative Sente's Meet and Greet was important, and showed that she is making an attempt to reach out to park districts.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:10 p.m., Commissioner Kolssak moved, seconded by Commissioner Stein, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the District or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity per 5 ILCS 120/2/(c)(1); and discussion of the setting of a price for sale or lease of real property owned by the District per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6).

**On the roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**AYE:** C. Klumpp, J. Kolssak, B. Lichtenberger, M. Kurgan, S. Stein, R. Rosen, K. Pecka

**NAY:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**Motion carried.**

The regular meeting reconvened at 9:28 p.m. with the following persons in attendance: C. Klumpp, J. Kolssak, B. Lichtenberger, K. Pecka, M. Kurgan, S. Stein, R. Rosen, J. Buchs, and M. Jendreas.

**ACTION, IF ANY, ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION – None**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Commissioner Stein moved, seconded by Commissioner Kolssak, to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 p.m. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Buchs  
Secretary

Approved this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October 2009  
Board of Commissioners  
Wheeling Park District