

**WHEELING PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 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 7:31 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; Amy Rivas, Director of HR and Risk Management; Larry Raffel, Superintendent of Planning; Matt Wehby, Director of Park and Recreation Services; and Marcia Jendreas, Recording Secretary.

Also present was Attorney Steve Adams from Brooks, Adams & Tarulis.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CORRECTIONS

President Pecka added the following to the agenda:

II. Executive Session

- A. Discussion of the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).*

III. Action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session

He said the Consent Agenda would become Item IV and the rest of the items would follow in sequence.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:35 p.m., Commissioner Rosen moved, seconded by Commissioner Stein, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).

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 8:35 p.m. with the following persons in attendance: C. Klumpp, J. Kolssak, B. Lichtenberger, K. Pecka, M. Kurgan, S. Stein, R. Rosen, J. Buchs, E. Becker, A. Rivas, M. Wehby, L. Raffel, and M. Jendreas.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 17, 2009
- B. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of December 3, 2009
- C. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of December 8, 2009

Commissioner Kolssak 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

Ordinance 2009-G – Supplemental Budget and Appropriation Ordinance

Director Becker advised that the proposed Ordinance was made available for public inspection for a thirty-day period and a Public Hearing was held tonight prior to the Board Meeting. No one was present to address this issue and there were no questions or concerns from the Board.

Commissioner Klumpp moved, seconded by Commissioner Stein, to approve Ordinance 2009-G – Supplemental Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the year beginning January 1, 2009, and ending on December 31, 2009, in the total budgeted amount of \$17,886,124 and the total appropriated amount of \$19,674,740, as detailed in the Ordinance.

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.

Ordinance 2009-H – Tax Levy Ordinance

Director Becker explained that because the proposed 2009 aggregate levy is less than 105% of the 2008 extension, the Board is not required to hold a Public Hearing prior to approving the Ordinance.

Commissioner Stein moved, seconded by Commissioner Rosen, to adopt Ordinance 2009-H – An Ordinance for the Year 2009 of the Wheeling Park District of Cook and Lake Counties, Illinois, in the amount of \$6,290,937.

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.

Resolution 2009-09 – Allocation of Tax Levy Amounts

Director Becker advised that the District must give direction to the Cook and Lake County Clerks, by way of a Board Resolution, on where to make any decreases in the District's levy request, if any are required.

Commissioner Lichtenberger moved, seconded by Commissioner Klumpp, to approve Resolution 2009-09 – Allocation of Tax Levy Amounts, directing the County Clerks to make any reductions in the District's 2009 Tax Levy request by decreasing the amount in excess of the legal levy amount in the District's Corporate Fund.

On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Resolution 2009-10 – Transfer of Funds

Director Becker stated that during the 2009 budget process, the Board of Commissioners approved the transfer of \$600,000 from the Corporate Fund to the Capital Projects-Other Fund, if there was money available at year's end. The District's financial reports support the transfer of \$700,000 from the Corporate Fund, as well as \$50,000 from the Recreation Fund.

Commissioner Stein moved, seconded by Commissioner Kolssak, to approve Resolution 2009-10 to transfer \$700,000 from the Corporate Fund and \$50,000 from the Recreation Fund to the Capital Projects-Other Fund.

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.

Approval of Schedule of Regular Meetings for the Year 2010

President Pecka said that the only change to the tentative Schedule of Regular Meetings for the Year 2010 is to shift the December 21 meeting to December 14.

Commissioner Stein moved, seconded by Commissioner Kolssak, to approve the Wheeling Park District Board of Park Commissioners Schedule of Regular Meetings for the Year 2010 [as modified]. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration – Acting Chair Pecka said a meeting was held earlier tonight, and Attorney Adams presented upcoming changes in the Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act. Also, Commissioners discussed the time and schedule of Regular Meetings.

Future Planning & Wheeling Town Center 2040 – Chair Lichtenberger said there has not been a recent Future Planning meeting. The Wheeling Town Center 2040 Committee is refining a document called the *Must-Have List for Town Center Design*. There are three components for redevelopment of the Wickes Property: housing directly east, mixed use, and retail along Dundee Road.

Superintendent Raffel said that there will be a presentation at the January 5, 2010, Board Meeting explaining the Town Center 2040 concept. Commissioner Kolssak noted that Superintendent Raffel was a big advocate for green and open space in the development.

Intergovernmental & Community Relations – Chair Klumpp said that it is her New Year's

resolution to have at least two Intergovernmental & Community Relations meetings in 2010, if necessary. She said that approximately 1,400 people came through the door for Lollipop Lane, and she thanked everyone who helped.

FINANCE

Treasurer's Report – November 2009

Director Becker advised that the District received just under \$1 million in property-tax revenues during the month of November, and these proceeds were spread over each of the levied funds. Staff anticipates that the entire shortfall will be covered by the end of December.

Voucher List

Commissioner Kolssak questioned the charge of \$1,600 for canopy removal at Chevy Chase. Executive Director Buchs said she would ask staff if, in the future, work can be performed in-house.

President Pecka moved, seconded by Commissioner Stein, to approve Voucher List 12B in the amount of \$90,086.36.

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.

STAFF REPORTS

Oral reports were given by staff members for the following areas: Park and Recreation Services, Enterprise Services, and Administration.

Executive Director Buchs said she spoke to Acting Village Manager Sfondilis about the community sign and he advised that work is ongoing to revise the existing sign. She said discussions are preliminary and she will report back to the Board when she has more information.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

Board: Commissioner Rosen said that he attended Lollipop Lane, and a Christmas Party at Chevy Chase, and they were both terrific events. He reported that he attended the Wheeling Village Board meeting last night, as an individual, because he was interested in the proposed

development on Hintz Road, which the Trustees voted down 4-3. He wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Commissioner Stein said she had her picture taken with Santa at Lollipop Lane, and she thanked Commissioner Klumpp for all her hard work on the event. She said she also had great fun at the Chevy Chase luncheon. She wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Commissioner Kurgan said that residents have told him that Lollipop Lane gets more special each year. He commented that he heard the Des Plaines Park District Percussionists at the Performing Arts Center and he gave Executive Director Buchs their business card. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Commissioner Kolssak wished everyone Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, and Happy Hanukkah.

Commissioner Lichtenberger wished everyone Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year. He said Lollipop Lane was a real hit with some of his coworkers. He commented that Superintendent Raffel's input on the 2040 Committee was really critical, and he gave him kudos for doing a great job and providing leadership. He said that the Senior Olympics was a very positive event, especially with Wheeling High School kids working with the adult seniors.

Commissioner Klumpp said she attended Representative Sente and Senator Link's Town Hall Meeting in Buffalo Grove, and felt it was a good idea to meet and get to know the candidates. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

President Pecka advised that he again played the part of Santa at Lollipop Lane, and he looks forward to it every year. He said that Patti and Wedge Hancock are always grateful for the Park District's help. He thanked Park District staff for all they do, and he also thanked Stasek Chevrolet for providing the photography services at Lollipop Lane. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy and Safe New Year, and Happy Hanukkah.

Citizens: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Kolssak moved, seconded by Commissioner Klumpp, to adjourn the meeting at 9:19 p.m. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Buchs
Secretary

Approved this 5th day of January 2010
Board of Commissioners
Wheeling Park District