Elk Grove Park District
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2018 6:00 p.m.

President Walz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance: President Walz, Commissioner Biedke, Commissioner Cooke, Commissioner O’Malley, Commissioner Souder

Staff: Tom Busby, Rhonda Brewer, Ben Curcio, Tammy Miller

DISCUSSION ON AUDIT SERVICES PROPOSAL

Director Brewer shared the proposal for a three-year contract for audit services from Lauterbach and Amen. She explained they are proposing the same rates as the last three-year contract we had with them. After discussion on whether or not they should get proposals from other companies, the consensus was 3-2 to stay with Lauterbach and Amen for another three years.

DISCUSSION ON RECOGNITION PROGRAM POLICY

Director Busby prepared a rough draft for a Recognition Program Policy for the Board to review. There are two parts to this policy. The first part is the Timeline of Recognition. The second part is the Criteria of Consideration. One of the criteria for consideration would require either the person to be an Elk Grove Village resident or their place of business is in Elk Grove Village. The Board felt this was not a necessary criterion so Director Busby will have that removed from the list. This policy will be different from the Naming Rights policy and an employee will be eligible. Commissioner Souder asked how we would promote this new policy. Director Busby replied that it will be on our website and he will instruct staff to announce it. He added that staff and the community would play a large role in nominating someone. The revised proposed policy will be on the agenda for approval at the June 28, 2018 Board Meeting.

DISCUSSION ON REQUEST FROM H2O AUTOSPA

Director Curcio shared a letter from Greengard, Inc. requesting permission from the District to connect to the storm sewer on our property near the southeast corner of CAF. They would also like to regrade the area that is steep to make it level. This will not affect our parking lot. Director Busby added that if we allow this, their client, Autospa would detail five of our vehicles (over $1,000 value) at no cost. Commissioner Souder inquired if this would cause more water running onto our property. Director Curcio replied the Village would not allow that, and it will actually keep our area more dry. He added that he is sure they will have to get approval from NWRD. President Walz asked for calculations first before making a decision. Director Busby stated he will find out the direction of the water flow and will pass along that information. Commissioner Cooke wants them to give us a release stating we are not liable for any damage.
DISCUSSION ON PROJECT MANAGEMENT
AGREEMENT FOR COLONY PARK

Director Busby stated that included in the board packet was the agreement for Colony Park showing the changes made by attorney Hoffman. This project will be paid for entirely by Brennan Investment Group. The first phase will be replacing the boardwalk. We may be looking for approval at our next meeting for a single source vendor for this project.

Commissioner O’Malley asked who the project manager would report to. Director Curcio replied himself, John Howell and Valerie Lemme.

DISCUSSION ON ADULT SWIM

Director Busby shared findings from a survey that was taken on Saturday, May 26, by Director Busby, Sunday, May 27, by Director Miller and today by Kathy Lydon. The results indicated only 28% of the patrons surveyed would have interest in an Adult Swim. All that responded in favor stated they would use the Zero-depth pool. Director Busby also talked to a part-time pool manager yesterday. She stated her main concern was who would be watching the kids during the adult swim. She also feels it would create more Code Adams. Director Busby believes Rainbow Falls is an aquatic center intended for families. He added that Pavilion Aquatics Center is better suited for adult swim where they could swim laps. Commissioner Cooke replied that it is not about laps; it is about adults swimming without being splashed, and for them to be able to go down the slides without having to stand in line. He feels with the exception of those with small children, most parents let their kids go off on their own. He thinks we are looking at this as a negative instead of a positive because then the kids will go to the concession stand. He wants to try it and see if more adults would utilize an adult swim than said they would in the survey. Commissioner Biedke was against this idea stating taking kids out of the pool may increase horseplay and the guards will have to watch them. Commissioner O’Malley said he sees both sides. He does not feel 10-15 minutes is that long to leave children alone. He said he would like to talk to some people on his own and get their feedback. Commissioner Souder at first stated adults can go to the Pavilion Aquatics Center, but then added he would be up for trying it at Rainbow Falls. Commissioner Walz was also in favor of doing a trial run. Director Busby said he would try it over the next few weeks. He will pick the days to ensure there is adequate staffing.

Commissioner O’Malley stated he has noticed when PAC is crowded, two-thirds of the pool is roped off for lap swimmers leaving only one-third for the rest of the patrons and he wanted to know why. Director Busby replied it is not the lifeguard’s responsibility to remove some of the ropes because they need to stay focused but the pool manager has the authority to do that if they feel it is needed. Commissioner O’Malley wants the managers to make sure to assess the situation by coming out of the office to check.
OLD BUSINESS

The Affiliate Agreement will be given to the Associations that include the new verbiage.

The owner of the property that backs up to Udall Park contacted Director Busby. He wants to give/sell the District the property for the cost of the back taxes. The property could potentially be used for a small dog park.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner O’Malley moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Commissioner Walz seconded the motion.

Ayes: Commissioners Biedke, Cooke, O’Malley, Souder and President Walz
Nays: None

Motion Carried