

Elk Grove Park District Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

May 23, 2019 6:00 p.m.

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

In attendance: President Walz, Commissioner Biedke, Commissioner Cooke,

and Commissioner O'Malley

Absent: Commissioner Souder

Staff: Ben Curcio, Tammy Miller, Brad Sholes, Tim White and Kelly Carbon

DISCUSSION ON PARKING FOR RAINBOW FALLS

Director Curcio informed the Commissioners that a letter was sent out to all Rainbow Falls pass holders detailing parking for this season. Other than the Rainbow Falls lot, there will be additional parking at Lion's Park, the Rotary Green parking lot, Elk Grove High School and Grove Junior High School. Rainbow Falls staff will park at Morton Park. We will need approximately 100 spots moving forward without Queen of the Rosary parking. Director Curcio introduced three options for the Board to consider including possibly removing the inline hockey rink at Rainbow Falls which would allow for 41 additional spaces. Other options included adding parking lots at Morton Park and/or Jaycee Park. It would take six to eight weeks for permits and plans with an estimated cost of \$400,000 to replace the inline rink. To begin work in the fall, we would need to contact WT and start the process of getting the architects and permits in place. The other options could be added to the capital budget for 2020. All Commissioners present were in favor of moving forward with the permitting phase.

DISCUSSION ON CHELMSFORD BUILDING

Director Curcio met with the Director of the Chelmsford daycare. She has informed Director Curcio that she is not interested in a lease extension. She would like to know if we are planning on closing the building? The tentative plan is close the daycare December 31, 2019. Director Curcio recommended demolishing the existing building and front parking lot in the spring of 2020 and turning the area into an open space. The initial budget would be \$300,000 and be part of the Capital Budget for 2020.

DISCUSSION ON SAFETY MANUAL

Suggested revisions were made to the safety manual adding the PDRMA motor vehicle criteria for who can drive for the Park District. There were no questions on staff recommendations.

DISCUSSION ON ATHLETICS COORDINATOR POSITION

Director Miller gave an update on the open Athletic Coordinator position. It has been posted for one week and 44 applicants applied as of noon today. Commissioner O'Malley questioned why there has been such a high turnover rate with Coordinators. Director Curcio stated that a Coordinator position is usually a stepping stone for career growth and that we have been very lucky to have kept some of our Coordinators as long as we have. Director Miller added that several of the coordinator positions were given added responsibilities and promoted to manager positions. This added to their longevity. It was discussed that further evaluation is needed to determine if additional staff is needed in the athletic department.

There was discussion regarding the status of the Athletic Advisory groups operations. President Walz suggested setting up an Athletics Committee meeting to discuss operations to date.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Walz moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 6:56 p.m.

Commissioner O'Malley seconded the motion.

Ayes: Commissioners Biedke, Cooke, O'Malley and President Walz

Nays: None

Motion Carried