

**WINNETKA PARK DISTRICT  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2018  
540 HIBBARD ROAD  
5:30 P.M.**

President Ian Larkin called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Commissioners present: Mickey Archambault, Teresa Claybrook, Warren James, Eric Lussen, John Peterson (arrived during Northfield Park District reciprocal agreement discussion), John Thomas and Ian Larkin. Staff Present: John Muno, Executive Director; John Shea, Superintendent of Recreation; Christine Berman, Superintendent of Finance; Costa Kutulas, Superintendent of Parks; Mary Cherveney, Administrative Services Manager and Kelsey Raftery, Marketing Brand Manager.

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Northfield Park District Reciprocal Agreement**

Superintendent of Recreation, John Shea presented the potential reciprocal agreement between Winnetka Park District and Northfield Park District. The reciprocal agreement would allow Northfield Park District residents the opportunity to purchase Swim Beach Passes at resident rates and the Northfield Park District allow Winnetka Park District residents to purchase Fitness Memberships at resident rates.

Commissioner Claybrook shared her concerns due to parking issues and that there is a fitness facility at the Winnetka Community House. Commissioner Thomas provided some additional information about the fitness center at North Shore Senior Center. He also shared some historical information between Winnetka Park District and the Winnetka Community House. Superintendent Shea addressed the parking issue, and reminded the Board that there are Northfield residents west of the Edens and in the Winnetka Park District boundaries. Commissioner Lussen stated the trade-off he thought would not equitable as the lakefront is a unique feature where a gym is not. There was further discussion regarding the philosophical issue and other ancillary issues. Executive Director Muno reminded the board that this proposal is not about consolidation, but cooperation. President Larkin suggested that if any board members need additional information to reach out to Executive Director Muno prior to the January 25 board meeting.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **2018 Budget Adjustments**

Superintendent of Finance, Christine Berman provided an overview of the adjustments made to the 2018 proposed budget since presented to the Park Board in November. The budget will be on public display for 30 days and then brought to the Board for final approval at the February 22, 2018 Board Meeting. Commissioner Archambault suggested there needs to be some wording changes when referring to warranty issues. Commissioner Thomas also asked about Winnetka Youth Organization's request. Superintendent Shea has a meeting set for next week to discuss.

## **STAFF UPDATES**

### **PDRMA Loss Control Review**

Staff included in the board packet, a letter from PDRMA stating that we have maintained our loss prevention efforts with a Level A and received a \$1500 cash award.

### **Year in Review 2017**

President Larkin's Year in Review article from the Winnetka Current was included in the board packet.

### **Verbal Updates**

Executive Director, John Munro announced that Mesirow Financial would be making a presentation at the January 25 Board meeting, which several staff, previewed early in the week. Staff leadership has also kicked off the 2018 effort on the strategic plan. There will be a board update in February.

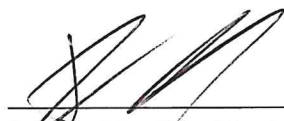
Commissioner Thomas shared information about New Trier Township's updated harassment policy.

Administrative Services Manager, Mary Cherveney advised the board on the update to the email system.

Superintendent of Parks, Costa Kutulas let the board know that parks staff member Jamie Martin resigned to go back to school. He also stated that the Garden Guild of Winnetka has reviewed and approved the plans for the new Butterfly Garden at Dwyer Park in Winnetka. They have also agreed to move forward with the search for and donation of a sculpture, which will anchor this new garden.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Park Board adjourned at 6:12 p.m.



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Ian Larkin, President



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John Munro, Secretary