

Cary Park District
Board of Commissioners
Parks & Recreation Operations Committee
November 9, 2017
7:00 PM
Community Center
255 Briargate Road
Cary, IL

Minutes

Committee Members Present: Howell, Renner, and Hauck.
Commissioners Present: Stanko and Frangiamore.

Guest Present: None.

Staff Present: Jones, V. Krueger, Rogus, Kelly, Hughes, and Lee.

Hauck called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The minutes from the October 12, 2017 Parks & Recreation Operations Committee meeting were presented for approval.

Howell moved to approve the minutes; second by Hauck.

Voice Vote: 3-0. All voting yes. Motion carried.

No matters from the Public, Staff, or Commissioners.

The first direction item discussed was Capital Equipment Replacement, Boom Truck – Purchase of a Terex Hi-Ranger LT40 Articulating/Telescoping Aerial Device. Rogus stated Funds totaling \$95,579 have been allocated within the 2017-2018 Capital Equipment Replacement Fund (CERF) to replace the Hi-Ranger TL38P Aerial unit. Through extensive discussion with staff, the recommended type of truck was chosen. It has additional storage and a higher lift height. The base price of the unit is \$102,424. The outriggers and dark green painting of the chassis are not part of the base price of the unit. The inclusion of these items will make the total purchase price \$114,405. The current boom truck will be listed on Obenhaf Auction Service's online bidding system. A disposal value of \$8,500.00 was established for the aerial unit in Ordinance O-2017-18-02. Rogus stated that staff expects to exceed the minimum disposal value through the auction process. Proceeds from the auction will be returned to the CERF fund and offset the higher cost of the new unit. Rogus displayed pictures of the existing unit and the proposed unit. Discussion and questions regarding the types of usage for this piece of equipment from Commissioners were answered by Rogus.

Renner moved to recommend Board approval for the purchase of a Hi-Ranger LT40 Aerial unit mounted on a 2017 Ford F-550 XL 4x4 SD as awarded by the National Joint Purchase Alliance from Terex Utilities, Inc., Watertown, South Dakota in the amount of \$114,405. Second by Howell.

Voice Vote: 3-0. All voting yes. Motion carried.

The next item discussed was the Verizon Wireless Request follow-up. Jones explained that back in June the Park District was approached by a Verizon Wireless contractor. Verizon Wireless identified Hoffman Park as a location to place a booster to assist Verizon customers with getting better signals on their mobile devices.

Jones stated that there was a misunderstanding back in June about the option to place either a cabinet or a pole at the park. He stated the proposal is a pole with a cabinet or a pole without a cabinet. He then walked the Commissioners through the various options presented by Verizon.

Jones stated that at the June meeting, the Committee asked staff several questions to get answered about the proposal. He then went through the answers to these questions with the Committee and provided answers as received by the Verizon contractor.

Jones then explained there would be a cap on what the Park District would be able to charge for rent or leasing of the space by Verizon. Jones spoke with the Village and was awaiting a response if an item of this type would be subjected to a zoning process.

Jones explained that this booster will not boost signals for all cell providers, it will only boost the signals for Verizon customers.

Howell stated that Verizon is at capacity right now and it's peaking the network availability in the area. He asked staff to talk to the Verizon representative again and ask for the exact location of the booster pole and if they could remove an existing pole and replace it with one of theirs that includes the light since the electrical is already there.

Jones explained he would ask the representative where exactly they want the pole located and would communicate that back to the Committee.

Jones then asked the Committee if they were interested in pursuing this topic further. Renner stated he is open to the idea, but that it shouldn't be a staff priority. Howell stated he is in favor of the pole because it will be an overall community improvement for those who live near the park and not only those who use the park. Hauck agreed that it would be beneficial to the community.

Stanko expressed concern about the exposure of the community to the signal, and also asked if other cell providers could rent the same pole space. Jones explained the pole would be restricted to use only by Verizon, but another added benefit to the community would be that a lightning detection system could be added to the pole in the future.

Stanko then expressed a concern about other providers wanting to place poles at other parks, and Renner explained that the Board has control of what is placed on Park District property, and the Board would have to approve before anything was installed.

Stanko also asked staff to talk with other Park Districts who have entered into contracts for the placement of cell poles on their property and their impressions of the process. He lastly asked about easements and the impact and disruptions they would have on Park District property. Jones stated that he would contact other Park District who are having or have had similar conversations with Verizon about the placement of a booster pole on Park District property.

Jones explained that he did not feel that the Park District should bear the cost associated with implementing this item should it move forward and asked the Committee for feedback on this perspective. There was consensus amongst the Committee that the Park District should not bear costs associated with this item. Jones stated he would talk to the Verizon Representative and see if they would provide upfront dollars to offset costs of the Park District.

Hauck asked if there were any other items for discussion.

Renner moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Howell.

Voice vote: 3-0. All voting yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 7:40 PM.