

Cary Park District
Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole Meeting
May 13, 2021
7:00 PM
Community Center
255 Briargate Road
Cary, IL

Minutes

Board Members Present: Stanko, Renner, Murphy, Frangiamore, Victor.

Staff Present: Jones, Kelly, Hall, Rogus, Raica, Krueger, Hughes.

Guests Present: Joe VaVrina, Ian Lamp, Frank Parisi, Tom McGrath

President Frangiamore called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Frangiamore asked if there were any matters from the Public, Commissioners, or staff.

There were no matters from the Public.

Under Items from Commissioners, Stanko commented on an article from Parks and Rec magazine on innovations and trends. He encouraged others to read it and noted that former Supt. Of Parks Ben Rea had authored the piece. Murphy updated on the Foundation and the successful Pars Under the Stars fundraiser held the previous weekend. Noting that this was his last meeting, he thanked the Board and staff for their work and that he enjoyed his time on the Board very much. Renner, Victor, Stanko and Frangiamore expressed their thanks to Murphy for his commitment to the Board, his preparedness for each meeting and being a model Board member.

There were no matters from staff.

The minutes from the April 8, 2021 COW meeting were presented for approval.

Murphy moved to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Stanko.

Voice Vote: Yes – 5. No – None. Motion carried.

The first Direction item for consideration was Replacement of 2015 Ford F350 Regular Cab Dump Truck with Plow. Jones stated that the replacement of this item was approved in the CERF as part of the FY21-22 budget. Rogus reviewed the replacement vehicle, the operational function and use of the vehicle and the research into purchasing options. There were no questions from the Board.

Hearing no further discussion Frangiamore asked for a motion.

Murphy moved to recommend Board of Commissioners approval of the purchase of a 2022 Ford Super Duty F-350 DRW XL 4WD Regular Cab Dump Truck with 9' dump body through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase Program from National Auto Fleet Group, Watsonville, CA in the amount of \$69,328.60. Second by Victor.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – 5, No – None. Motion carried.

The second Direction item was a request to bid the playground replacements at Knotty Pines and Fox Trails Parks. Jones stated that these replacements were approved by the Board in the Capital Project Fund of the FY21-22 budget. Jones noted that staff is requesting direction from the Board to bid these projects and bring the results of the bid process back to the Board for final consideration at its June 24th meeting. Raica reviewed the public input process, the budget and work scope for each project. Renner asked about the public input process at both sites. Raica replied that 35 individuals had provided feedback on Fox Trails and 5 individuals for Knotty Pines. Stanko reminded staff of the concern expressed by residents about mosquitos at Knotty Pines and the cause of this due to the large evergreens. Raica stated that staff would be thinning and limbing these evergreens to address the concern.

Hearing no further discussion Frangiamore asked for a motion.

Murphy moved to direct the Executive Director to let the bid for the Fox Trails and Knotty Pines Playground Replacement projects and bring the results of the process before the Board of Commissioners for final consideration. Second by Stanko.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – 5, No – None. Motion carried.

The third Direction item was consideration of Alternates 15A/B related to the aquatic facility project. Jones stated that the Board during its April 29th meeting had directed staff to bring back additional information to the Board on this item. Jones highlighted the answers to three questions posed by the Board. Those questions being: What money is available on hand to fund the Alternates? What is operational impact to the facility without flume slides? What impact will the use of redirected money to fund the Alternates have on future capital initiatives of the Park District? Jones identified additional funding sources available for use by the Board to fund the alternates as well as the provisions to access these funds for this use. Jones noted commentary provided to the Board from Leon Younger of Pros Consulting related to the importance of flume slides in an aquatic park project. Jones reviewed items from the 2016 CMP Update, Action Plan Updates, Board Planning Discussions and feedback from the community on items desired for upgrade or implementation into the project in future years.

Renner asked Lamp when would the Board know about the potential use of contingency money related to the project budget, would there be a point where an educated guess could be made on how many of these dollars would be left? Lamp stated that this was difficult to answer but that as the project progresses and answer to this question may become apparent.

Frangiamore asked about the timing of decisions and the dates when answers from the Board must be known. Lamp stated that legally the bids submitted had a 60 day window to accept. Lamp stated that

items could be negotiated into the project after this time has expired based on costs and quantities being known.

Victor requested information on a drop dead date for each alternate decision. Victor requested follow up from Jones on conversations with SD155 on cost sharing requests. Lamp stated they were working on a document related to the project schedule and when the drop dead dates would occur. Jones stated that he had a follow up conversation with Supt. Olson of SD155, and that he was going to speak again with his Board on this item. Jones stated that due to graduation and other year end activities for SD155 he was being patient on waiting for Olson to follow up with him.

Stanko commented that other costs rise as the value of construction cost rise and that it is important the Board recognize this as it makes decisions. Stanko noted that every decision by the Board over time related to major capital items always impacts the ability to do other future capital items. He highlighted the purchase of the Foxford Hill and purchase and renovation of the new preschool as examples. Stanko stated that it is important for the Board to provide clear direction to staff and consultants on the preferences of the Board related to the Alternates and that he felt the time to discuss these and prioritize them is now.

Victor stated she would like the Park District to reach out to other entities to explore partnership and funding resources, she noted the Park Foundation and Barracudas as examples.

Renner stated that he could make decisions on some alternates this evening but would prefer to wait until more is known about the cost implications of the site utilities changes on the project.

Frangiamore restated the consensus of the majority of Board expressed was to wait on a decision on the Alternates until the next meeting of the Board. This is due to the discussion of the next agenda item related to Site Improvements for the Aquatic Park project.

Under Discussion Items, Jones updated on matters that have arisen during the permit process with the Village of Cary. He updated that the connection of the sanitary line was to be made on the north end of the park site, but based on new information provided by the Village, it may have to be moved to the south end of the park site. Jones introduced representatives from Lamp, Inc., HR Green and Williams Architects as individuals present to answer questions of the Board. Renner asked about the capacity of the Village sanitary system to the north. Vavrina replied that the system developed for the aquatic facility was developed based on modeling using information provided by the Village. He stated that new information has been provided by the Village that was unknown and the models used previously were no longer applicable. Vavrina stated that alternate options were being evaluated to address this item. Murphy and Victor stated that they appreciated Renner's questions and Vavrina responses. Stanko inquired as to the confidence level of the consultant team that all the information needed to make decisions is now known. Frangiamore asked if solutions with pricing would be available for Board review at its next meeting on May 27th. Lamp replied that they were working with HR Green on options and the contractor on pricing and they would make every effort to have the information for the Board on May 27th.

Victor moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Stanko.

Voice Vote: Yes – 5. No – None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.



Daniel C. Jones, Secretary
Park District Board of Commissioners