

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
KENILWORTH PARK DISTRICT BOARD HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL,
419 RICHMOND ROAD, AT 5:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2007.**

Park District President Thomas Feeney called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m., and the Secretary called the roll as follows:

Present:	Thomas Feeney Chip Kenyon Richard Peterson	President Commissioner Commissioner
Absent:	Heidi Higgins Jane Drexler	Commissioner Commissioner
Others Present:	Brad Burke Lou Maggi Mary Cole Maryann Van Dyke	Secretary Superintendent Secretary Burke's Secretary Finance Administrator

The minutes of the February 1, 2007 Park Board meeting were placed before the Board. Commissioner Kenyon made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion, and the minutes of February 1, 2007 were approved 3-0.

Secretary Burke reported on the monthly payables. He said the biggest items were salaries for basketball referees and the basketball t-shirts. Secretary Burke said the most important item in the financial report was the current fund balances on page 3. He explained that this should give the Board an idea of the Park District's current financial status. He said the General Fund is low because it is at the lowest cycle of the year in terms of when property tax revenue is received. Secretary Burke passed out a report delineating the current status of all Park District funds.

Commissioner Peterson asked if the Park Board were to pay for renovating Pee Wee Park, would it come out of Working Cash? Secretary Burke said it could, or at least part of the cost could, because the Board may not want to draw that fund down too much.

Commissioner Kenyon made a motion to approve the payables. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion, and the payables were approved 3-0.

President Feeney asked about the electrical problem at the Village House. Superintendent Maggi said there is a major electrical problem with the wiring to the Village House. Superintendent Maggi explained that ComEd had been out working on it and concluded that it is the Park District's problem. Unfortunately, the wiring is under concrete which will have to be dug up to address the fault. Com Ed had set up temporary electrical service, which proved to be unsafe, and had to be disconnected, so the Village House has no electrical service at this point. Superintendent Maggi said an

electrician from Adams Electric plans to begin work Monday to try to fix the problem. It will involve disconnecting electrical service to the Green Bay Road underpass.

Commissioner Kenyon asked if Superintendent Maggi had any idea of the cost. Superintendent Maggi said he asked the electrician, but has not received any figures yet. He said he and his crew will do as much of the work, such as digging, as possible to keep the cost down.

Commissioner Peterson asked if there was anything the Park Board needed to do. Superintendent Maggi said he should have an estimate for the Board by tomorrow, Friday. There was general discussion by the Board regarding this problem and cost.

Commissioner Peterson asked what would happen if no problems were found once the concrete is removed. Superintendent Maggi said they will cut off the power and do a new splice into Com Ed power lines.

President Feeney said the Park District cannot go to the School Board for financial assistance with this problem, because the School Board currently is in the midst of pursuing a referendum due to their respective financial situation.

President Feeney said he spoke to Richard Storch, Mr. Storch's sister pointed out to President Feeney that a bronze plaque of recognition for Marguerite Storch is still needed at Mahoney Park. President Feeney asked if the parkway tree in Mrs. Storch's honor had been planted. Superintendent Maggi said yes it had. President Feeney noted a plaque is also needed.

President Feeney said Richard Storch was interested in the renovation of Pee Wee Park. President Feeney said the idea would be to rename the corner of the Park after the Storch's. President Feeney noted Mr. Storch asked to see the costs for the renovation of the park and playground. President Feeney noted Mr. Storch is, at the very least, still interested in the Storch Fund participating in covering the cost of the landscaping.

Commissioner Kenyon asked how much money is needed from Mr. Storch. President Feeney referred to the cost sheet prepared by Superintendent Maggi. Commissioner Kenyon asked if Mr. Storch would pay half of the cost. President Feeney said he thought Mr. Storch would pay the whole cost of his name would go on the park. Commissioner Kenyon asked if there was an option for Mr. Storch to pay half and keep the name as Pee Wee Park.

President Feeney suggested going forward on this project and requesting the Storch's to consider funding half of the project.

Commissioner Feeney asked when the first purchase had to be done. Superintendent Maggi said staff could move forward with this project at anytime with the direction of the Park Board. Commissioner Peterson asked if the Board needs to get Richard Storch's

approval first. President Feeney said he will continue discussions with Mr. Storch and noted the Storch's will agree to the landscape improvements to Pee Wee Park anyway.

Commissioner Kenyon again suggested that the landscaping be covered by the Storch Fund. Commissioner Kenyon suggested that Mr. Storch kick in \$18,000.00. President Feeney said he wanted to do what is best for the community. He, again, suggested going forward on this project unless the electrical problem at the Village House becomes prohibitively expensive.

Commissioner Kenyon suggested that President Feeney go back to Richard Storch and request \$18,000.00 for this project.

Commissioner Peterson, again, asked about Storch permission to do the project. President Feeney said he seems to agree with the project.

Superintendent Maggi said the prices on his cost sheet are from March 2006. President Feeney said they are probably not that far off from current prices. President Feeney requested Superintendent Maggi begin initiating the project.

President Feeney made a motion to have Superintendent Maggi contact NuToys and Kate Nahrwold and move forward with the project. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried 3-0.

Superintendent Maggi reported that there were 21 days of skating this winter. He asked if the three skating guards should receive bonuses. The Board discussed bonuses and agreed upon \$40 for the guard who worked the most hours, and \$30 for the guard with the second most hours, and \$20 for the third guard. Commissioner Peterson moved to give these bonuses to the three guards. President Feeney seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried 3-0.

Superintendent Maggi reported that Dan Pollack from Glencoe, of American Youth Football, had requested field space for their football games. Commissioner Kenyon said this is not part of the Glencoe Park District program, and it would beat up the field, so he said he did not support this request. Superintendent Maggi said he would call Mr. Pollack and report that his request was denied.

President Feeney turned the discussion to the Summer Camp. Secretary Burke reported that he and the Park District office staff had two meetings with the new directors, Amy Kinsella and Mark Drelischarz. Secretary Burke reported that the camp applications were mailed out Monday. He referred to the spread sheet of counselor's salaries. Secretary Burke said the salaries needed standardization, and this was what was proposed for this year. He said they are decent, competitive rates. Secretary

Burke said last year's pay scale did not make sense. The proposed rates are as follows:

Adult Staff	Hourly Rate
First Year	\$22.00
Second Year	\$25.00
First Year Adult w/o Teaching Certificate	\$16.00
Second Year Adult w/o Teaching Certificate	\$18.00
High School Staff	Hourly Rate
First Year	\$8.00
Second Year	\$8.50
Third Year	\$9.00
Fourth Year (HS Grad)	\$10.50
College Staff	Hourly Rate
First Year	\$11.00
Second Year	\$11.50
Third Year	\$12.00

Commissioner Peterson made a motion to approve the new pay scale. President Feeney seconded the motion, which was carried 3-0.

Secretary Burke pointed out the information on background checks and a work plan from the NSSRA that had been passed out to the Board.

Commissioner Peterson asked about T-ball in May. President Feeney said it was for kindergartners, and the Park District needs someone to run it. Commissioner Peterson said he would find someone. Commissioner Peterson clarified that the T-ball program ran for four weeks in May. President Feeney said the Board needs to have someone by mid-April.

Commissioner Kenyon reported on Lacrosse. He said the games are after school so it is hard to find coaches. There are 80 kids in Lacrosse, and he has 3 people doing coaching, and they charge \$180.00. Commissioner Kenyon said that Lacrosse America kicks back a percentage to the Park District, which was \$2200.00 last year, and they pay the coaches. He reported that he has sent out letters with attached waivers which must be turned in before children can play. He has set it up so registration is done on-line. Commissioner Kenyon said he talked to baseball officials who conceded Saturday morning time on the fields to the Lacrosse program.

Commissioner Kenyon moved to adjourn. President Feeney seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried, and the meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Cole