

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
OF THE COMMISSIONERS AND OFFICERS
OF THE PROSPECT HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT
GARY MORAVA RECREATION CENTER
110 W CAMP MCDONALD ROAD, PROSPECT HEIGHTS, IL 60070
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2018**

Call to Order

Roll Call

Commissioner Bob Loranger called the Special Meeting of the Prospect Heights Park District to order at 5:06 p.m.

Present:

Ellen Avery
Vicki Carney
Bob Loranger

Also Present:

Christina Ferraro – Executive Director
Julie Caporusso – Superintendent of Recreation
Marc Heidkamp – Director of Golf Operations
Dino Squiers – Business Manager
Edlyn Castil – Admin. Asst./Recording Secretary

Commissioners absent:

Terry Curtis
Karl Jackson
Tim Jones
Eric Kirste

A quorum was not present.

Introduction of Guests/Citizens

Tom Diehl of GreenPlay LLC was in attendance.

Public Comment

None

Correspondence

None

Announcements (Meetings)

A Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled on November 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at GMRC.
A Regular Board Meeting is scheduled on November 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at GMRC.

New Business

Feasibility Study Discussion

Tom Diehl of GreenPlay LLC provided background information for the Board and Staff explaining that a Comprehensive Master Plan was completed for the Park District in 2017-2018. A Needs Assessment was completed as part of the Comprehensive Master Plan which included what facilities and programs the residents wanted. During the Feasibility Study, GreenPlay LLC & Williams Architects toured the Park District facilities and met with staff, community organizations and residents. They compiled a preliminary list of activities that the staff, community organizations and residents wanted to do in the Park District which included “everything that the Park District is doing” and more. Some of those items/activities are a community gathering space, educational life skills, theatre/stage, inclusion programs, ninja warriors, rental space, walking track, adult day programs, exercise classes, arts & crafts, badminton, table tennis, dodgeball, indoor batting practice, STEM programs, activities for teens, indoor swimming pool and floor hockey.

Tom Diehl provided several recommendations including a 3-court gymnasium, outdoor restroom, marge multi-purpose rooms, 3 fitness studios, and changing rooms.

The Board Commissioners expressed concerns about funding, discussed possibilities of relocating the recreation center, and liked the idea of having space for School District 23 and NWSRA to provide programming at the Park District.

The next step is to schedule a visioning workshop. Executive Director Christina Ferraro will work with Tom Diehl with scheduling a date.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Commissioner Avery and seconded by Commissioner Carney to adjourn the Special Meeting at 6:00 p.m. The motion was approved with a voice vote with four absent (Commissioners Curtis, Jackson, Jones, Kirste). The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Edlyn Castil
Recording Secretary

Secretary: _____
Ellen Avery, Prospect Heights Park District Secretary