

**River Forest Park District
Meeting Minutes of
December 12, 2011**

The Board of Commissioners of the River Forest Park District convened at 7:00 PM in Regular Session on Monday, December 12, 2011, at the River Forest Park District, 401 Thatcher Avenue, River Forest, Illinois.

Call to Order – President Cargie called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

A roll call was then taken with Commissioners Hague, Koester, Potter, and Cargie present. Also present was Executive Director Sletten and Devin Rose (Wednesday Journal).

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Potter moved to approve the November 14, 2011 Board Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Koester. A voice vote followed, and the motion was approved 4-0.

Approval of Disbursements: Commissioner Hague moved to approve the October 15-30, 2011 Disbursements for \$15,812.57, and the December 1-12, 2011 Disbursements for \$88,009.36, seconded by President Cargie. A roll call vote followed, and the motion was approved 4-0.

Public Commentary: None

Correspondence to the Board: None.

Staff Reports: Staff reports were presented. Commissioner Hague commented that someone could trip over the 3' high irrigation box at the north-east corner in Keystone Park. Commissioner Koester requested that the batting cage light lenses be cleaned.

WSSRA Report: No report.

Parks Foundation Report: Director Sletten stated that Ross Roloff and Elizabeth Holland are in the process of completing the questionnaire for appointment to the Parks Foundation Board. We have 2 more residents who have expressed an interest in the remaining open position.

Board Member Comments: None

Old Business: Commissioner Hague moved to approve Ordinance 111201, An Ordinance Levying Taxes and Assessing Taxes for the Year 2011 of the River Forest Park District of Cook County, Illinois, seconded by Commissioner Potter. A roll call vote followed, and the motion was approved 4-0.

Commissioner Hague moved to approve Ordinance 111202, Ordinance of the River Forest Park District Directing the Cook County Clerk as to Reduction of the River Forest Park District's Real Estate Tax Levy for the Levy Year 2011, seconded by Commissioner Potter. A roll call vote followed, and the motion was approved 4-0.

Commissioner Hague moved to approve the River Forest Park District Personnel Policy, seconded by Commissioner Koester. A roll call vote followed, and the motion was approved 4-0.

Commissioner Hague moved to approve the River Forest Park District Fund Balance/Net Assets Policy, seconded by Commissioner Potter. A roll call vote followed, and the motion was approved 4-0.

Commissioner Hague moved to approve the River Forest Park District Capital Fixed Asset Policy, seconded by Commissioner Potter. A roll call vote followed, and the motion was approved 4-0.

Commissioner Hague moved to appoint Director Sletten as Delegate and Commissioner Hague 1st Alternate for the Illinois Association of Park Districts Annual Meeting on January 28, 2012, Chicago, seconded by Commissioner Potter. A voice vote followed, and the motion was approved, 4-0.

Director Sletten updated the Board on the platform tennis court and 7920 Building Project. Failure by both contractors to perform the work in the timeline specified per the contract has pushed the completion of both projects back into early January. Director Sletten also discussed the issue of trying to paint the platform tennis courts in the cold weather. Staff will be able to make a decision on December 16th as to whether the courts will be ready for use this winter. Commissioner Potter asked for a press release to be issued as soon as a decision has been made. President Cargie asked for an action plan for the platform tennis courts, under the assumption the courts will not be ready for use until mid-April.

The Board discussed the Strategic Plan and Timeline. The Board agreed to move ahead with the document as presented.

New Business: Commissioner Hague expressed concerns that some residents who forget to register early enough for Recreation Basketball, are unable to get into the program, because the program is filled up at the end of the registration period with non-residents. Commissioner Hague asked if some type of notification process could be implemented to remind residents to register early. President Cargie asked for the email notices to be more eye-catching.

Commissioner Hague moved to adjourn at 8:00 PM, seconded by Commissioner Potter. A voice vote followed, and the motion was approved 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Sletten
Secretary