

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

JUNE 5, 2013

The Champaign Park District Board of Commissioners held a Special Board Meeting on Wednesday, June 5, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bresnan Meeting Center, 706 Kenwood Road, Champaign, Illinois, pursuant to notice duly given. Vice President Griggs presided over the meeting.

Present: Vice President Alvin Griggs, Commissioners Barbara Kuhl, Jane Solon and Timothy McMahon, and Attorney Guy Hall.

Absent: President Joseph Petry and Treasurer Gary Wackerlin.

Staff: Bobbie Herakovich, Executive Director/Secretary, Joe DeLuce, Director of Recreation, J. R. Pope, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, Andrew Weiss, Park Planner, and Cindy Harvey, Executive Assistant.

Patrick Wade, Reporter with *The News-Gazette* was present.

Call to Order

Vice President Griggs called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Comments from the Public

Vice President Griggs called for comments from the audience. There were none.

Bids

Consideration of Award of Bid for the Leonhard Recreation Center

Vice President Griggs reported that the only item on the agenda was to award the bid for construction of the Leonhard Recreation Center.

Ms. Herakovich reported that this was an exciting time for the Board and staff after the planning and studies undertaken by the Board to determine the need for a new recreation center. She also stated that it was exciting to see the interest by several central Illinois contractors responding to the request for bids. Ms. Herakovich reported that staff recommended accepting the low base bid, as well as Alternate 1 for LED lighting, and authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Dodds Company, with a base bid of \$5,260,507 and an Alternate 1 of \$32,578 for a total bid price of \$5,293,085.

Discussion ensued. Ms. Herakovich stated that the estimate for the project was \$5,600,000. She reported that the remaining \$382,948 of the allocated funds will be used for furniture, fixtures and equipment, permitting and testing, utility connection fees, and any other fees associated with the project. The contingency fee is included as well.

Ms. Herakovich reported that the Park District received a \$2,500,000 PARC grant toward the project, a \$35,000 Clean Energy grant that will be applied to the cost of the geothermal HVAC system, and expectations to receive credits from SEDAC (which is a grant program). She also reported that at the request of the Champaign Parks Foundation Board, staff put together a "buy a brick" program to raise funds. Some bricks will be sold at the Taste of Champaign-Urbana and will ultimately be installed adjacent to the sidewalk at the entrance to the new facility.

Commissioner McMahon made a motion to accept the low base bid, as well as Alternate 1 for LED lighting, and authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Dodds Company, in the base bid amount of \$5,260,507 and Alternate 1 in the amount of \$32,578 for a total bid price of \$5,293,085. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Solon. The motion passed 4-0.

Comments from Commissioners

None

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Solon made a motion to adjourn the Special Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McMahon. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Approved:

Joseph A. Petry, President

Bobbie Herakovich, Secretary