

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SPECIAL MEETING
PLEASANT DALE PARK DISTRICT
WEDNESDAY, May 27, 2015
RECREATION CENTER
7425 SOUTH WOLF ROAD, BURR RIDGE, ILLINOIS
5:30pm

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Call to Order/Roll Call: Present: Commissioners: Kevin Burke, C. J. Johnson, Kristin Wojtulewicz, and Brad Tertell. Also present: Executive Director Matt Russian and John Vann from LandTech Design. Ernie Moon joined the meeting at 5:50pm.

3. Park District Tour

As part of the master planning process with LandTech Design, the park board took a tour of all park district parks in order to explore, investigate and evaluate needs and desires for overall park improvement.

Lake Carriage Way Park

-Discussion included typical life expectancy of playground equipment (12-15 years), how technology, interests and trends also play role in decisions about updating or replacing equipment, overall thickness of greenery and bushes that surround the lake, and views of neighborhood residents on any park changes.

Soehrman Park

-Discussion included soccer and baseball field usage, possibility of adding new low-stream nozzle adapters for splash pad in order to save water/costs, existing rubber flooring at splash pad, removal of previous sand play area causing issues with splash pad plumbing, and increased shelter as well as picnic table needs.

Hess Property

-Discussion about various possibilities for this undeveloped property and collaboration/leasing adjacent property with School District 204.

White Buffalo Park

-Discussion included accessibility options for playground and baseball field, cooperative efforts with School District 107 on a new sand volleyball court, and possible options for connection to Hess property.

Santa Fe Park

-As Santa Fe is a small tot-lot, there isn't a lot of room to expand. It may be possible to add a smaller picnic shelter. A majority of the discussion revolved around the possibility of working with ComEd and the adjacent easement where the power lines run for possible paths.

Savoy Park

-Discussion involved restrooms and being a destination park versus a park for the residents in that neighborhood and a bathroom may not be needed. It's a smaller park and not a lot of room for additional items. A picnic table and horseshoes may be a nice addition. Rubber flooring inside the entire playground area was also mentioned as a possibility worth investigating.

Walker Park

-Starting at the south end of the park by the maintenance barn, discussion turned to park flooding and the need to relocate the barn at some point in the future. Positive comments were made about the overall park appearance and kudos to the maintenance staff for their efforts. On the north end of the park, discussion revolved around possible paths and resurfacing the existing blacktop paths. Accessibility issues were also discussed. John Vann commented that the park has a really nice overall design which will make improvements relatively easy. Vann said it was one of the nicer parks he's had the opportunity with which to work.

4. Additional items – Nothing heard

5. Executive Session (if needed) – Nothing Heard

6. Hiring and firing of personnel (if needed) Nothing Heard

7. Adjournment

MOTION

Mr. Moon made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Tertell. All Ayes. Motion passed.

(Whereupon the meeting ended at 8:17 p.m.)