

Lan Oak Park District Board
Committee of the Whole Meeting
July 15, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by President Long. The following were present: Commissioners Smith, Adams, Kelly, Tropp, and Long. Staff Present: Senior Superintendent of Strategy & Operations Desjardins, Superintendent of Park & Maintenance Havran. Guests: Melanie Jongsma

Communications & Addresses from the Audience: The committee reviewed Citizen Comment Forms and various invitations from community groups to participate in golf outings. Melanie Jongsma suggested contacting the Master Gardner regarding assistance with upcoming park planting projects.

Senior Superintendent of Strategy & Operations – Report: Desjardins updated progress made by Hitchcock Design Group on the schematic design for the Park Plaza, and the bid documents for planned asphalt work. Desjardins reported on the 2019-2020 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance, the annual audit, the status of increased member contributions for SSSRA, recreation department summer enrollment, summer special events, and the fall 2019 program brochure. A discussion ensued on the recent Grande Ole Fourth event and proposed changes for next year. Desjardins provided photos of damage found at Lions Stadium and discussion ensued on cost of repairs and the use of the stadium by the Old Timers organization moving forward. It was the consensus that the Old Timers be invoiced for 50% of the repairs, that a permit application be required for future use, that the Old Timers must co-insure the park district for future use, and that the stadium be promoted for use by additional outside groups.

Superintendent of Parks and Maintenance – Report: Havran spoke about the need for a new HVAC compressor in fitness, the completed new countertops in all four locker rooms, the commencement of computer replacement for this year, activities in the parks by the outdoor crew, a repair to the dog park gates, and status of the full-time park maintenance crew. Current projects were updated – the new concrete sidewalk, painting of bathroom buildings, new roofs at Copper Mugger’s Park and Schultz park, new recreation locker room doors, and new pool lights. Fitness/Water class enrollment and fitness membership numbers were reviewed.

Recreation Committee – No Report

Buildings & Grounds Committee – No Report

Planning Committee – No Report

Finance & Personnel Committee – No Report

Bike Path Committee – Currently Inactive

Old Business – None

New Business – None

President Long invited late arriving audience members to speak. Four residents from the Lan Oak Park neighborhood communicated their complaints relating to park shelter reservations and the noise, crowds, parking issues, and behavior of persons using the shelters.

There being no further business. Motion by Tropp to adjourn the meeting. Second by Adams. Upon roll call all present voted “aye”. No nays. Motion passed

Adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sharon Desjardins
Board Secretary
Senior Superintendent of Strategy & Operations