



**Minutes**  
Lincoln Park Advisory Council  
*2005 September 14*

**Program Summary**

Leslie Borns, volunteer site steward for the Montrose Beach natural area, delighted Council members with a guided tour through the Montrose Beach natural area. Over the last 5 years, considerable effort has been expended to restore this portion of the beach to a natural dune. While strongly supported by the Park district, much of the work has been performed by volunteers.

Since we were a small number of people, Leslie was able to take us down into the dune and point out the amazing variety of plants that are now flourishing in the dune. Astonishing combinations of natural plants are now growing alongside those planted and nurtured by the volunteers and Park staff.

Leslie is always looking for volunteers to work in the dune.

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President Jill Niland called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. The Corinthian Yacht Club graciously hosted us for this meeting

Mary Gray moved to adopt the agenda – the motion was seconded by Grace Chun. The motion carried unanimously.

**Park District Report**

Cindi Jahraus, John Davidson and Dana Zilinski were all able to participate in this meeting. Key points include:

- Our own Mary Gray won an award in the Lincoln Park Cultural Center Photo contest – in the animal category
- There is a Municipal Harbor System Long-Range Planning effort underway. There will be a Community Meeting for this effort on Tuesday September 27<sup>th</sup> – at the South Shore Cultural Center – 6 p.m.
- The issue of garbage cans/coal containers is alive within the Park district. Dana reported that there is a project looking at the option of multi-purpose cans that will occur over the winter. Lynn Krohn pointed out that she saw an article about a local children's contest that had been conducted on this very topic. Mary Gray once again asked that attention be paid to placing the cans on hard surfaces rather than on the grass – the grass tends to die quickly when covered by the heavy containers.

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Mary Gray moved to approve the minutes as amended. Chuck Eastwood seconded the motion which then carried.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Betsy Altman was not able to attend the meeting but did provide statements for the last 2 months. There was a suggestion from the floor that we should develop a summary level budget for the coming year. Jill Niland took the point to discuss this with Betsy.

Grace Chun moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Mary Gray seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **President's Report**

Jill Niland covered the following topics:

- Jill reported that she had connected with Steve Zelner of the Lincoln Park Conservancy – they agreed that better communication/coordination between the two organizations was in the Park's best interest. A joint discussion on this topic has been tentatively scheduled for our November meeting.
- Frank Fuscaldo is working with Jill to arrange a follow-up meeting with Alderman Schiller on the issue of inappropriate traffic/activity on the Montrose Point. The actions that were planned to be taken over the summer have either not occurred or are not sufficiently effective.
- Jill asked for volunteers to review the archive files that were retrieved from the Chicago Historical Society. Sheli Lulkin, Lynn Krohn and Jill agreed to make arrangements for a joint work session.

## **New Business**

Sheli Lulkin shared a copy of a workshop packet that addresses the Development of a Lake Michigan Coastal Management Program. A copy of this material can be found on the LPAC website at <http://www.lpacchicago.org/pdf%20files/2005-09%20Coastal%20Program.pdf>. Productive ways in which the Council can engage in this effort will be discussed at the October meeting – please review the referenced packet as background material for that discussion.

## **Adjournment**

Grace Chun moved to adjourn. Chuck Eastwood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Our meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MAB', written in a cursive style.

*Marty Brown, Secretary*