



January 13, 2010, 6:45 p.m. Margate Park Fieldhouse  
Submitted by Betsy Altman, Secretary

Program precedes the formal meeting  
Artificial turf findings from task force meeting, Rebecca Rossof

#### LPAC Meeting

**1. Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda**

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 pm, and the Agenda was moved and seconded, approved.

**2. Park District staff presentations**

We had a report on activities at Margate Park and the Cultural Center. Day camp plans are under way. Derrick Martin discussed sledding at Devil's Hill south of Diversey and the conflict with truck deliveries. The consensus of the group is that the deliveries should be controlled to NOT interfere with children sledding.

**3. Nature Museum report**

Donna Gustafson introduced a new Chief Operating Officer, Deborah (Deb) Lahey, who will lead green initiatives for the Museum. Deb is a 10-year member of the Board of the Museum. A new marsh exhibit is raising hatchlings of endangered species to release in the wild. The turtles will have tiny radio monitors so that their locations can be tracked. This is a new conservation program. Adult programming is being expanded to include films, discussions, and a corporate lecture series, all free to participants.

**4. Park Liaison report**

The Chicago Park District Board meeting is now presented by webcam for offsite participation.

**5. Approval of Minutes**

September and October Minutes were seconded and approved. The minutes are posted on LPAC's website.

**6. Treasurer's report**

Chuck Goes reported on the income and expenses of the Council. The net assets and cash balance is \$523.05. Corrections on dates were noted. Moved by Rondi and seconded by Becky Rossof, approved. Membership renewals will be handled by Chuck and sent to him to process.

**7. Park Survey**

Deferred.

**8. President's report**

In Sheli's absence, the report is deferred.

**9. Old Business**

None.

**10. New Business**

Joan Levin talked about the frog movie that she saw tonight in the Nature Museum, noting that the frogs are like the canary in the coal mine on ecology and toxic exposures. She encourages participation at the artificial turf meeting at Margate.

Montrose closing at dusk. The consensus is that the area should be closed dusk to dawn and tickets should be issued for people who ignore the curfew. Rondi will talk to David Painter.

**11. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

**March Program—CDOT upgrade plans to intersections at Montrose, Wilson, Simonds underpass and Simonds bridges, Tanera Green, Project Manager, Chicago Department of Planning, 6:45 pm, March 10, 2010**

**Also, Discussions with Friends of the Park, Jill C Heise**

**April Program--TBD**