



October 15, 2009, 6:45 p.m. Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum  
Submitted by Betsy Altman, Secretary

Program precedes the formal meeting

Lyndon Valicenti, Assistant Project Manager, Chicago Department of Environment

Lyndon presented details on Chicago Urban Forestry program and report on tree canopy. The plan will be announced at Western and 47<sup>th</sup> on Halloween. The CPD trees are estimated to be 178,100 trees providing 14.6% coverage. 59% of the trees are larger than 6 inches. 58 species are included.

Joseph Bornstein from CPD Department, Project Manager on the comfort station/beach house at Osterman Beach. The existing comfort station was built in the early 1960s. Construction is scheduled for late fall with completion by Memorial Day. It will include a concession. Security cameras are being put on new buildings in the park. The blue lights will be turned off.

#### LPAC Meeting

1. Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda

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

2. Park District staff presentations

Cindy Jahraus reported that the Cultural Center is being designed for ADA compliance. Construction could begin in the winter. She is looking to expand the teen program. Derrick Martin provided Sheli with the calendar of events. New playgrounds are being installed in Lincoln Park. New mile marker signs will be installed on the jogging path. The LPAC next meeting is on November 11, Veterans Day, and will be held at Margate Park. Karen asked Derrick to find out what the story is with sprinklers at North Avenue fields and why they flood.

The Peggy Notebaert Museum invites LPAC to visit Crittercam before the January LPAC meeting starting at 6 pm. There will be 10 free days to celebrate the museum's 10-year anniversary, plus free Thursdays. Lots of activities are occurring which are on their website. The recycling bins are filling up daily. The museum is designing an enclosure with an exhibit on recycling to mask the bin.

3. Park Liaison report

No report as no one attended the meeting.

4. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes was delayed until November. The current minutes will be posted on LPAC's website as a draft for review.

5. Treasurer's report

No report. Sheli requested that we renew our membership in Friends of the Parks. Moved and seconded, approved.

6. Park Survey

Coleen is working on the results of our park survey. She will post it on the website. Draft reports were presented to the Budget folks.

7. Capital Budget Hearings

Coleen made a terrific presentation.

8. President's report

Redmoon needs to be chased by the Permits people for the terrible condition they left the park south of Belmont.

Sheli wants LPAC to participate in a program for disabled persons organized by Gus Zografopoulos at Osterman Beach in August that brought people to the parks who had never enjoyed the beaches, parks or recreation.

9. Old Business

Concessions. Sheli would like to send a letter to Tim Mitchell and the Concession Management company to restore the former schedule of meetings with the public. Moved, seconded and approved. Mary Gray discussed the Diversey concession that has added a fence doubling his space that we want removed. A proposal was made to include our protest about all the concessions that are in violation from our survey. Approved.

Conservatory. Plastic fences are fencing off the grass in front of the Conservatory. The area has been reseeded and aerated.

Theater on the Lake is enclosed for reconstruction of the low barricade fence on the north, east and south sides.

Soccer field study with U of I and FOP was not funded.

Steward of the Cummings Playlot park block is still interested in getting trees replaced, a plan to reduce salt damage and snow removal damage to the sod. Marc is working with him to get things sorted out. The Conservancy will put in a new diagonal path.

10. New Business

Prescribed burns will occur between Marovitz Golf Savannah and North Pond between October 15 and November 30..

11. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

November Program –Lincoln Park Conservancy, Margate Park, 6:45 pm, November 11, 2009

December—No meeting

January—Montrose Stewards, Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 6:45 pm, January 13, 2009

February—Artificial Turf in Lincoln Park, Margate Park, 6:45 pm, February 10, 2009

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