



September 9, 2009, 6:45 p.m. Margate Fieldhouse
Submitted by Betsy Altman, Secretary

Program precedes the formal meeting

Amy Hill, Children's Memorial Hospital Injury Research Center

Produced Playground Safety Report Cards on all CPD playgrounds in 2008 and 2009 with Friends of the Parks. The report focuses on whether the playground is age appropriate, is the fall surface adequate, maintenance of the equipment, and the physical environment. Playgrounds rated below 60% have dangerous elements. The scores are posted on the FOP website.

LPAC Meeting

1. Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm. The Agenda was moved and seconded, approved.

2. Park District staff presentations

Cindy Jahraus recapped summer activities at the Cultural Center. Fall classes are filling up. Registration was changed so they can clear the waiting list better. Jennifer Bice reported on Margate summer and fall activities. They did a 2-week sports camp after day camp, subscribed 110%. \$30,000 was spent to put new equipment and a new floor in the exercise room. Classes have been expanded for 3-5 year olds. Derrick Martin reported that Matt Merino was promoted and Pat Townsend is Derrick's new boss. Matt is responsible for all three regions. The Advisory Council Appreciation Evening is September 19 at Northerly Island and is a movie night. Derrick brought a permit schedule for LP for September and will provide calendars for future months. Randi will scan the calendar and send it out as an attachment to the LPAC list serve. Budget hearing is September 16 at Horner Park.

3. Park Liaison report

The Chicago Park District Board meeting was held today. \$10,000,000 was accepted from TIF funds for Ping Tom Park and \$6,000,000 for a park in Albany Park. The bulk of the capital spending is coming from other agencies. A discussion was held regarding North Park Village Nature Center which is owned by the City and maintained by CPD.

4. Approval of Minutes

July Minutes were seconded and approved. The minutes will be posted on LPAC's website as a draft for approval in October.

5. Treasurer's report

Chuck Goes reported on the income and expenses of the Council. The net assets and cash balance is \$712.42. Moved and seconded, approved.

6. Park Survey

Coleen presented the results of our park survey. Pavement conditions were seriously in poor shape. Trees are dead throughout the park. Coals were under trees throughout the park and no coal bins were placed.

7. Capital Budget Hearings

Coleen recommends requesting capital funds for four unifying themes: repaving the paths throughout the parks; broken benches need to be replaced; dead trees need to be removed; playgrounds at Sunshine and Morrie Mages need replacement. Additionally, Sheli would like to request funds for the completion of the bike path north of Foster. Bob Lerch suggested completing the fencing at the Lawrence south bound exit. Chuck moved and Randi seconded, approved. Coleen and Chuck Eastwood are the representatives of LPAC at the Capital Budget hearings.

8. President's report

No report.

9. Old Business

Vickie asked about the amount we owe to the Montrose Point project for the Montrose Stewards. Jill asked that we increase our donation by \$200. Betsy moved, Randi seconded, approved.

Grace asked how the dog beach was installed at Foster Beach without following park district procedures. Further discussion occurred on the dog park at Hollywood.

10. New Business

No new business.

11. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

September Program –Chicago Urban Forestry Plan for Lincoln Park, Linda Valicente, and a Chicago Park District representative will be invited, Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum Park, 6:45 pm, October 14, 2009