

**Minutes of the Waukegan Park District
Special Board Meeting
November 30, 2012**

The Board of Commissioners of the Waukegan Park District met in a special meeting on November 30, 2012 in the Rose Administrative Center, 2000 Belvidere Street, Waukegan, Illinois.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by President Sarocka who directed a call of the roll.

II. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Duffy, Motley, Foley and Sarocka . Also present was Executive Director Greg Petry and Board Attorney Charles Smith. Absent: Commissioner Kilkelly.

III. Public Portion

No member of the public asked to address the Board

IV. Topic(s)

A. Approval of Golf Management Agreement with Golf Visions. **Motion by Commissioner Motley, seconded by Commissioner Foley, to approve the Golf Management Agreement between the Park District and Golf Visions.**

Discussion on the motion: Commissioner Duffy raised questions about Section 2.6.4 regarding real estate taxes. It was explained that this agreement is not a lease. It is the opinion of both Board Attorney Chuck Smith and Special Counsel Charlene Holtz that this agreement should not affect the tax exempt status of the Bonnie Brook and Greenshire properties.

Commissioner Duffy stated that if he receives complaints concerning the operation and management by Golf Visions, he will refer them to either Jim Glogovsky or Greg Petry.

It was pointed out that the operators of the golf course may have trouble securing starters and rangers without the ability to provide discounted golf to employees.

Mr. Petry stated that Golf Visions can give whatever discount they want to their employees. The only issue will be under the Gift Ban Act of giving free or discounted golf to Park District employees.

Commissioner Motley stated that he has reviewed the agreement and discussed it in advance of the meeting with Mr. Petry. All of his questions have been answered.

Commissioner Foley stated that she had reviewed the agreement and has discussed the matter with Mr. Petry. She had no questions concerning the agreement.

Mr. Petry stated that he has talked with numerous golfers and believes that he has answered their questions. He also stated that Golf Visions has been a very cooperative partner to work with.

President Sarocka stated that his questions concerning property tax issues had been answered to his satisfaction.

It was further explained that existing contracts, such as for alarm systems, will remain in place as the facilities are Park District properties.

Section 2.9.4 of the agreement was discussed; Golf Visions could alter the fees for use of the course.

Mr. Petry pointed out that while Golf Visions has the right to set the fees, the Park District has the right to review and approve the Golf Visions budget and that if things did not work out, there is a 90 day cancellation provision.

Following discussion, **roll call to the motion: Ayes: Duffy, Motley, Foley, Sarocka. Nays: None. Absent: Kilkelly. Motion approved unanimously.**

There was discussion concerning Mr. Smith's letter regarding the commissioners to golf without charge. It was agreed that for now no employee or commissioner will receive discounted or free golf. This matter will be discussed more in the future.

V. Closed Session

There was no motion to adjourn into closed session.

VII. Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Foley, seconded by Commissioner Duffy, to adjourn the special meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles W. Smith
Secretary