

The Workshop Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by President Cohen at 7:30 p.m. in the Administrative Offices of the Deerfield Park District located in the Jewett Park Community Center. Attendance was taken and the following were:

Present: Antokal, Caron, Lapin, Cohen (4)

Absent: Patinkin (1)

And there was a quorum in attendance. Also in attendance was Linda Gryziecki, Secretary/Executive Director; Don Bott, Rick Julison, Linda Anderson, and James McCormick, staff members.

Discussion followed on potential cash flow issues that may arise due to the following: depletion of surplus cash reserves allocated toward the Recreation Center but historically used to bridge the gap until taxes were received in June, decline in investment income, anticipated net loss on golf operations, unanticipated additional project work due to existing concealed conditions at the Recreation Center, and increased operating expenses with the addition of the Recreation Center. Declining home values may also negatively impact tax collections in the future.

Commissioners proceeded to brainstorm possible new revenue sources, potential cost reductions as well as changes in the way we currently do things. Additional research / investigation will follow with further discussion scheduled for future meetings.

Review of the Village's proposed plan for the Wastewater Reclamation Facility followed. Staff has met with the Village staff as well as attended the pre-filing Workshop Meetings with the Plan Commission.

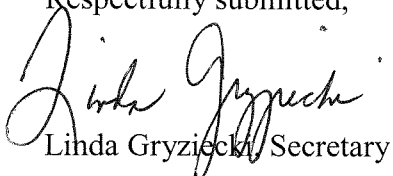
Park Commissioners believe it to be advantageous for park users to have access to restroom facilities proposed for the exterior of one of the buildings as well as additional parking. It was suggested that rather than encroaching on green space for angled parking, it may be preferable to use parallel parking along the curbed road. Staff will also contact the Village about the possibility of moving the road / parking as far to the south as possible to use less park land.

Staff reported that the Village had also indicated that additional trees may be added. The Public Hearing on this project will most likely be scheduled for some time this fall.

A brief report was given on the Sachs Recreation Center activities.

There being no additional discussion, at 10:20 p.m. the Workshop Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Linda Gryziecki, Secretary