

Lan-Oak Park District
Buildings & Grounds Committee
October 7, 2009

The meeting was called to order Chairperson Long at 7:43pm. Upon roll call the following were present. Committee Members Kelly, Long. Guests: Commissioner Gaffney. Staff present: Wilson.

Long provided an explanation for the change in members for the committee. A revised Board Committee Assignment roster was emailed to all Board members.

Discussion ensued regarding the maintenance of various parks, establishing a planning document outlining long & short term maintenance, budget estimates for general maintenance and budget estimates for renovation. Various ways to saving costs was discussed while at the same time making improvements to the parks to show the residents that the district is attempting to care for the parks with limited funding. Manpower was discussed briefly in the parks. Wilson mentioned that there will be employee changes at the Eisenhower Center. A job announcement has been posted for a part time maintenance position. The position has been evaluated and the staff will be looking to hire a full time person working 35 hours. The custodial is short handed with various maintenance work duties being completed by full time administrative staff.

Wilson updated the Committee about the power outage at Schultz Park. ComEd has been called out and it has been determined that the damage will be the financial responsibility of the Park District. Wilson will be looking into solar energy as well as having an electrician repair the damage.

Long discussed the district's matching funding for Schultz Park. Long questioned the opinions of the Committee about the process surrounding the offer of the Park District to match the fundraising of the Schultz Park neighborhood group. It was the consensus of the Committee that the group could work in phases and funding could be in phases but there has to be an overall plan for each phase. Each phase needs to be clearly defined by the group.

Wilson updated the Committee on the mowing of School District 158 property. A letter was received indicating that the school district will begin mowing the greater majority of their property next Spring. The matter will be placed on the October Board agenda.

There being no further business Motion by Kelly to adjourn. Second by Long. Upon roll call all voted "aye". No nays.

Adjourned at 9:08pm

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Wilson, CPRP
Secretary to the Park Board