



July 9, 2014, 6:45 p.m.

Peggy Notabert

Presentation:

Cassandra Francis – Friends of the Parks

In her introduction to the Advisory Council, we learned that Cassandra was an urban planner before getting this job. If Chicago had gotten the Olympic bid, we may have known her in another capacity as she worked on the project. She also gave a rundown of the current set up of FOTP and her goals for the future. She acknowledged that park councils are very important in assisting them with their goals for more open space and preserving the open space already here.

Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda

Meeting was called to order at 8:04. Agenda was approved as written.

Park District staff presentations

CDOT has sent in plans to redo the Stockton underpass. It has historic designation so the structure has to be taken down and replaced with the original materials. This will obviously take more time.

The new turf field at Wilson south of Montrose will open at the end of the month. It was designed to qualify to host IHSA state qualifiers and this requires fencing. There will be no permanent bleachers but portables could be placed there on a temporary basis.

Lights were left on in the park for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July to discourage amateur fireworks like those that put a big hole in the field last year.

Osterman Beach will be hosting yoga classes on Mondays at 6:00 PM.

Park Liaison report

The Board Meeting will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday instead of the second.

Approval of Minutes

June minutes were not sent out to the Yahoo group. Approval will be postponed until September.

#### Treasurer's report

Checkbook balance 1,769.67

A second notice was sent out to those members that have not renewed.

#### President's report

Spent 178.56 for one year subscription to Constant Contact which will be used to send out meeting notifications to our members.

Web site update – Need to do a final walk through of the Web site and get an estimate of the monthly maintenance.

North LSD project meeting – Lynn reported on the meeting and said that someone from the project team would be quite willing to come to our meeting to give an overview.

Harbor Contract – There was much discussion regarding winter boat storage, again. A motion was made and approved that the President should go to the Park District Board Meeting next week to voice, in person, our continuing objection to having this facility in the park and request that the boat storage yard be removed from any future harbor contract. David Brezina and Grant Crowley abstained.

#### Old business

None.

#### New Business

The August meeting has not been held for several years. However, it has been on the calendar this year. This will be a working meeting for issues such as the by-law review.

Sheli Lulkin made several requests: 1) CARA should again be contacted regarding adding a small fee (\$1) to each race entry to provide funds for running path maintenance. Marc Kramer will coordinate. 2) Provide paint supplies for a volunteer group to paint the Gazebo at Montrose.

David Brezina brought in a map to pass along proposing changing pedestrian and bike access roads at Montrose to be redirected exclusively to the underpass.

#### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 8:45 PM.

August Meeting – Margate Park, Board Members

September Meeting – Cultural Center

Program – NLSD Project?