

**Minutes of the Special Meeting Study Session of the Board of Commissioners
Sycamore Park District
Saturday, October 10, 2015**

President Strack called the meeting to order at 7:06 a.m.

The Special meeting of the Sycamore Park District Board of Commissioners, DeKalb County, Illinois, held at the Sycamore Park District Maintenance Building located at 435 Airport Road in Sycamore, Illinois is called to order at 7:06 a.m. on Saturday, October 10, 2015.

Will the recording secretary please call the roll.

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are physically present and will be participating in the meeting in person: **Commissioners Graves, Kroeger, Schulz, Tucker, and Strack.**

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are not physically present, but will be participating in the meeting via video and/or audio conferencing: **None.**

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are not physically present, and will not be participating in the meeting: **None**

Staff members present were Director Dan Gible and Recreation Supervisor Sarah Rex.

Guests Present at the meeting were:

None

President Strack reviewed the Agenda and asked that the third item be moved up to before item II. on the Agenda. Commissioner Schulz made that motion and Commissioner Graves seconded the motion. NO further discussion ensued and the motioned carried 5-0.

Professional Services Contract Approval

Executive Director Gible reminded the Board of the Contract with Farnsworth Group which was in front of them for review and provided them in advance in their packet. He recommended approval of:

- A. The Contract with Farnsworth Group and the cost of \$60,400.
- B. Up to \$30,000 in additional expenses to be approved by the Executive Director during this phase for items like soil borings, asbestos abatement, etc. within the pre-existing purchasing policy.

Commissioner Tucker asked about Traffic Study and Commissioner Kroeger was interested, as well. Gible explained that it may not be necessary in this phase, and Farnsworth wanted to get to know the City Staff, first, before bringing up the issues related to traffic and entries.

Commissioner Tucker commented that she was glad the reference to a “simple building” was taken out, and Gible explained that that was an Architect’s perspective as a building with a restaurant kitchen, indoor pool, auditorium or theater, or concession inside them, then that would be a complex building. Since the feeling is that those will not be components of our project, that is why Farnsworth was willing to negotiate a 6% rate on the project versus the “normal” 7 to 9 percent in more complex projects.

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MOTION

Commissioner Schulz made the motion to support Gibble's recommendations "A" and "B". Commissioner Tucker seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL

President Strack asked to call the roll. All Commissioners voted "YES", and the motion carried 5 to 0.

Discussion of Matters Related to Action 2020:

Fundraising – Director Gibble handed out a copy of the information created by Supervisor Rex, and discussion ensued with several suggestions for changes in the item based upon that discussion. Rex took notes of these matters and indicated she would make the changes and get it back to the Committee for final input before going to print.

Timeline for Design Development Process – Director Gibble pointed out the timeline for the work to be done that was a part of the contract, and noted that things would get moving quickly.

Motion

The Board adjourned the Regular Session at 7:31 am on a motion made by Commissioner Schulz. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kroeger.

Voice Vote

President Strack called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. **No commissioners voted Nay.** Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel Gibble Secretary
Sycamore Park District