

**Minutes of the Special Meeting Study Session of the Board of Commissioners
Sycamore Park District
Thursday, January 14, 2016**

Discuss impact and implications of the Four Key Components on the Site Plan from Farnsworth's Perspective:

Director Gible asked everyone to introduce themselves and what group they are working on. There will be information about the site concept shown tonight, but he does not want the groups to focus on the site concept overall. He wants to bring everyone up to speed how we got here as a staff, as a design team, as a board. He asked that the groups focus on their individual groups when everyone breaks down into their groups later on to look at the different concepts. He announced that when our third board member arrives we will need to stop and do an official roll call.

Everyone from the committees and Farnsworth Group introduced themselves.

Caius Jennison noted they have put together an overall campus plan with the staff, and presented to the Board. He then showed the campus site plan as of now to everyone. He then went over the different site areas and what has to be taken in consideration when planning this. It is important to look at what people will see when coming into town when developing this site.

At this time, there was a quorum, so the roll was called.

Vice President Schulz called the meeting to order at 6:21 p.m.

The Special meeting of the Sycamore Park District Board of Commissioners, DeKalb County, Illinois, held at the Sycamore Park District Clubhouse located at 940 E. State St. in Sycamore, Illinois is called to order at 6:21 p.m. on Thursday, January 14, 2016.

Will the secretary please call the roll.

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

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: **Commissioners Tucker and Strack.**

Staff members present were Director Dan Gible, Supt. of Finance Jackie Hienbuecher, Program Supervisors Lisa Metcalf and Sarah Rex, Supt. of Golf Ops Kirk Lundbeck, Supt. of Parks Jeff Donahoe and Recording Secretary Jeanette Freeman.

Guests Present at the meeting were:

Carol Untch – Dog Park Committee
Steve & Karen Vitkus – Dog Park Committee
Denny Lane – Dog Park Committee
Mary Matison – Community Center Committee
Denise Ackmann – Splash Pad Committee
Brenda Maratto – Dog Park Committee
Cindy Hardy -Community Center Committee
Kayte Hamel – Splash Pad Committee

Guests Present at the meeting were- cont'd:

John Swedberg – Community Center Committee
Tom Doty – Community Center Committee
Joey Davidson – Splash Pad Committee
Margaret Bassett – Community Center Committee
Barb Lynch – Community Center Committee
Denise Setchell – Dog Park Committee
Christiene Drake – Splash Pad Committee
Jessica Sida – Splash Pad Committee
Jeff Ryder – Community Center Committee
Elizabeth Metcalf – Dog Park Committee
Caius Jennison -Farnsworth Group
Bruce Brown – Farnsworth Group
Annie Blatt – Farnsworth Group
Doug Draeger – Farnsworth Group

Discuss impact and implications of the Four Key Components on the Site Plan from Farnsworth's Perspective-cont'd:

Kais continued to go over the concept plan and how they came up with the current concept plan. Farnsworth Group then showed the current site plan in 3D.

Transition to Discussion of specifics for each component - split into groups:

At this time everyone broke down into the individual committees. The committees went over their groups concept plan from Farnsworth Group and made comments, etc.

Return to Joint Group Meeting:

After some time of meeting in individual committee, everyone then came back into the meeting as a group. Director Gible noted the future is bright for the Park District. He asked Farnsworth when they possibly want to get together again and Caius Jennison said about a month. Director Gible noted he will send out a few possible dates for another meeting and asked everyone to respond to him on the dates that work for them. Caius Jennison noted the Community Center committee were in overall agreement on the community center plans. Annie Blatt noted the Dog Park Committee were very focused and prioritized. Bruce Brown noted the Splash Pad Committee were all in agreement on the concept plan.

Caius thanked everyone for contributing tonight and they will go back to change the plans based on some of the suggestions made tonight

Motion

The Board adjourned the Special Meeting at 8:00p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Krueger. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Graves.

Voice Vote

President Strack called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanette Freeman, Recording Secretary
Sycamore Park District

