

1. **Call the Meeting to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

2. **Roll Call**

Board Members Present:

Dorothy Lange - President
Georgia Schroeder – Vice President
Greg Stimpson – Treasurer
Denice Sbertoli – Secretary
Rick Pokorny - Commissioner

Staff:

Matthew Ellmann – Executive Director

Also Present:

Various Consultants brought in to be interviewed as indicated in the minutes below

3. **Interviews with Potential Firms for a White Oaks Park Development Concept Plan**

The first firm interviewed, Altamanu, had Phillip Hutchinson and Jane Chen in attendance. They entered the room at 6:33pm and were introduced by Director Ellmann. They proceeded to make a 10 minute presentation, using power point, which consisted of an overview of the team and their related experience. They spoke about the importance of public process and input and mentioned that they had visited the site and on-line comments about it. Mr. Hutchinson spoke about having visited an aerial park in South Carolina and his experience working on trails, nature centers and in both passive and active parks. After their presentation, a few questions were posed by the commissioners. The board thanked them for their time and presentation. They exited the room at 7:02pm.

The next firm interviewed was Upland Design, represented by Heath Wright and Michelle Kelly who entered the room at 7:03pm and were introduced by Director Ellmann. They provided a handout to the board indicating who would be assigned to this project. The handout included photos of aerial parks, as well as past & present elevations of the site. They spoke about the wetlands on the site and the regulations associated, using a power point presentation. The board posed some questions which were all answered by the consultants. They concluded and were thanked for their time, exiting the room at 7:31pm.

The final firm presenting was 3D Design represented by Daniel Dalziel who entered the room and was introduced at 7:32pm. Mr. Dalziel was solo and spoke of his 25 years of experience and multiple visits to the site. He commented that the site was relatively flat but contained some beautiful features. He also commented on the water areas and the magnificent trees enhancing the park. He indicated that there would be challenges but was excited about the opportunity to work on the project. He proceeded to share some conceptual drawings by power point that he had prepared. The board conveyed a number of questions and had some discussion about his concept drawings. Mr. Dalziel was thanked for his presentation and work and exited the room at 8:09pm.

4. **Discussion of the firms interviewed**

The board discussed the experience, talents and presentations of all three firms, each expressing their impressions. Discussion took place about the merits of each firm and the individuals that had presented. After some discussion, the board showed a preference for Alamanu with their only reservation being their experience with wetland work in Du Page County and their understanding of county regulations. They requested that Director Ellmann inquire about their experience in this regard and that he report back to the board at the next meeting with his findings. They also asked Director Ellmann if he would try and see if Altamanu would lower their proposed fee. Director

Ellmann indicated that this might be possible if work scope was reduced. The board had a brief discussion about reducing the scope and gave Director Ellman some direction on where.

8. Adjournment

It was moved by Commissioner Schroeder, seconded by Commissioner Stimpson, to adjourn this Special Meeting at 8:49 pm. *VOICE VOTE, ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.*

Board Member Signatures:

President

Secretary