

Pierce Downer's Heritage Alliance
<http://www.pdha.org>
Special Board Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2004

Attendance: Jane Amorosi, Laurel Bowen, James Cavallo, Aspasia Colias, Lee Forsythe, Gordon Goodman, Kathleen Panek, Bill Runyon, Dave Schulz, Buzz Whowell, Jerry Yoksoulion (Quorum present)
Absent: Matt LeCren, Mark Sklair Guests: Andy Clark

Meeting called to order by Chair Gordon Goodman at 7:10 p.m.
Approval of November 19, 2003 Annual Meeting minutes: The minutes were approved with changes noted.

Secretary's Report: Please read your minutes/articles and mark your calendar for the next meeting on Wednesday, February 11, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. Lincoln Center

Treasurer's Report: Beginning Balance (as of 12/1/03) = \$3,870.56. Includes total expenses of \$40 (Internet Hosting fee) and income of four donations totaling \$105.00. Ending Balance = \$3,935.56. The Treasurer's report was approved as presented. J. Cavallo will maintain ledger book. Discussion led to motion for resolution authorizing three signatories for PDHA Bank One checking account. Authorized signatories will be G. Goodman, J. Cavallo, W. Whowell. Motion passed. Audit committee volunteers are K. Panek, A. Colias, L. Bowen.

Lyman Woods Stream bank Stabilization: Phase I is underway.

Lyman Woods Interpretive Center: \$950 gift remains to be given to Park District following proposals approved for \$1500 donation at PDHA meeting on June 4, 2003. Update memo from A. Eastman, Manager, Natural Resources and Interpretive Services dated January 14, 2004 indicates remaining \$200 for education materials will be utilized for seven books and the beginnings of creation of a "guide" for field backpacks. Remaining \$750 for restoration will be used for \$150 towards plugs for green roof garden and \$400 toward butterfly garden designed by an Eagle Scout. D. Schulz made a motion to pay out \$200 for educational materials and it passed. Discussion followed. L. Forsythe made motion to pay out \$550 for restoration activities with request for plants bought for the butterfly garden to be native to DuPage County and for a final accounting of the items purchased when we have completed our \$1500 donation. Motion passed. At this time there still remains \$200 of the \$1500 donation that has not yet been paid out. There was discussion of the desirability of publicity release about donations in support of the Interpretative Center from PDHA and the Grove Foundation and the desirability of additional community support.

Belmont Prairie: G. Goodman stated the consultant report of Belmont Prairie indicates a significant portion of 4.9 acres is wetland and is important to the water management of the Belmont Prairie nature preserve and buffer. He reported that currently there seems to be no active consideration of any particular development plans for the 4.9-acre site at Burlington and Walnut. PDHA members continue to monitor the situation and intend to work with the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission staff to protect the Belmont Prairie and its dedicated buffer.

2003/2004 Budget: Motion passed to approve coming year's budget (Expenses: \$2005; Income: \$1900)

Goals for 2004: Special Meeting is being proposed for February 11, 2004 to discuss plans and goals for the coming year and first quarter meeting agenda for March 10, 2004.

Website: M. Sklair will update and coordinate more links (i.e., Conservation Design Forum) and new board members as time permits. Discussion yielded suggestion to include section on Membership form contained in newsletter to ask donor if their company participates in the Matching Gift program. This will enable us to market those companies for matching funds.

Meeting adjourned 9:45 p.m.

Mark Your Calendar:

Village Council: Meets every Tuesday at Village Hall: 6:30 p.m.

Park District: meets first (Lincoln Ctr)and third (Village Hall) Thursday: 7 p.m.

Websites of Interest:

www.pdha.org

www.greenfund.com

www.environmentaldefense.org www.ilenviro.org

www.earthshare.org

Next Meeting Wednesday, February 11, 2004 - 7:00 p.m. in Lincoln Center

Future meeting dates: March 10, 2004, June 9, 2004, September 1, 2004

Respectfully Submitted: Laurel Q. Bowen