Minutes of the Waukegan Park District Strategic Planning Community Input Public Meeting/ Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners April 8, 2010

The Board of Commissioners of the Waukegan Park District met in a special meeting on April 8, 2010 at the Bonnie Brook Clubhouse, 2800 North Lewis Avenue, Waukegan, Illinois.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Duffy, Durkin, Foley, Motley and Sarocka. Absent: None. Also present was Executive Director Greg Petry.

As part of the Waukegan Park District's Strategic Planning process, community members were identified and invited to attend tonight's meeting. Their input and comments will help shape the future park district plans.

Introductions were made, and the facilitator, Ms. Barbara Heller, shared her background and experience with the guests. A brief presentation of the Strategic Planning Process was presented.

Roundtable discussions were held about partner/stakeholder/agency plans that may relate to the park district's strategic plan. Each table was given time for discussion and then reported back to the group.

Mr. Petry gave an overview of the upcoming park district initiatives. Following this, the group was asked to do an exercise describing their ideal five year vision of the park district as well as stating what they value about the park district. Each table reported their findings to the group.

An organizational assessment was done next, and noted the park district strengths, ideas for improvement and opportunities. Following discussion, each table shared their ideas with the group.

A closing summary and conclusion followed, after which the final comments were made and next steps outlined. The attendees were thanked for their contributions.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Petry Acting as Secretary