

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting
March 19, 2012

Members: Diana Colavecchio, Chair
Don Walters
Jeff Iula

Mrs. Colavecchio called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. All members were present.

The minutes from the March 5, 2012 Finance Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

Mrs. Colavecchio stated that, at this time, there would be no ad hoc committee appointed to discuss the issues with the Natatorium. There should be more information available by the end of the week.

Legislation Discussed:

Temp. Ord. A-27

Discussion

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An ordinance authorizing the Park and Recreation Board to enter into a contract without competitive bidding with Landscape Structures, Inc. for the purchase of playground equipment for installation at Quirk Cultural Center, and declaring an emergency.

Ed Stewart stated that Landscape Structures is on the state contract. They are purchasing four pieces: a large play booster, slide, rock climber and molded merry-go-round. The City would be purchasing the equipment only. The Park & Rec. Department will install in-house and then add mulch material afterwards. Mrs. Colavecchio asked what the age suitability was for this equipment. Mr. Stewart stated it was 5 to 12 years of age. Mrs. Colavecchio thought this was a great idea to get some fresh energy at Quirk. Mrs. Pyke stated she is thrilled this is getting done. It is a great place for kids to go. There is a wading pool there, as well. She asked how this park was chosen. Mr. Stewart stated they rated all of the parks from playgrounds to baseball to basketball to tennis. They also used the Consumer Products Safety Commission's standard on play equipment. They then reassess every year on any damage or old age that happens to the equipment. The Quirk playground scored near the bottom on the assessment and also had some issues with the CPSC's safety standards. They plan to eventually purchase two of the small backhoe diggers that seem to be the most popular piece they have in the parks. They will also replace the sand. Mr. Stewart indicated he checked the state bid and this vendor was the lowest bid.

Mr. Iula moved to bring out A-27 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Walters. Motion passed (3-0).

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.