



COLLINSVILLE AREA RECREATION DISTRICT

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the board of park commissioners of the Collinsville Area Recreation District was called to order by President Mary Ann Bitzer at 7:00 P.M., September 15, 2009 at the district office, Ten Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Upon role being called the following commissioners answered present: Mary Ann Bitzer, Spike Bryant, Joan Burke and Sarah Day. Commissioner Kathy Pickering was absent.

Staff present included executive director Mark Badasch, park superintendent Kevin Brown, recreation superintendent Rick Robbins, communications & marketing coordinator Elizabeth Lehnerer, golf course superintendent Bob Lovatto, golf course interim co-managers Joe Sinco and Marty Ercoline and Intern Katie McRae.

Public input: None.

A motion was made by Bryant, seconded by Day, that the Minutes of the regular meeting held on August 18, 2009 be approved as printed and placed on file. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Day, seconded by Burke, that the Minutes of the CLOSED meeting held on August 18, 2009 be approved. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Bryant, seconded by Day, that the Treasurers Report for the month of August, 2009 be approved and placed on file for audit. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Day, seconded by Burke, that the list of claims and accounts totaling **\$184,223.23** be approved for payment. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Burke, seconded by Day, that staff reports be accepted. Upon roll, being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

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Discussion Items

Representatives of Scheffel & Company were on hand to present the Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2009. Mr. Steve Pembrook and Ms. Denise Schaaf reviewed the Report, noting that a "clean opinion", the highest given, was presented. They reviewed various pages of the report representing the district financial picture for that year, thanked the board and staff for the cooperation they have received and invited questions at any time.

Mr. Badasch and Mr. Robbins presented the preliminary report of the just-completed waterpark season. Overall, attendance was down this year about 15%. This was due, in large part, to the cool weather this summer with no days reaching the ninety-five degree mark. Swim lessons were up and season pass sales held steady. Concession commissions were up which was attributed to the recent remodeling, improving service and marketing of products at the concession.

The Miner's Rehabilitation Concept Plan was presented to the City plan review committee in order to gain approval for expansion into the entire west-side parking area. Those talks will continue as work on the plan advances. The architects have, also, been instructed to put together a project to replace/rehab all of the building windows and clean/repair the exterior terra cota for the spring/summer of 2010.

Mr. Badasch advised that several (three) people were being sought to serve on the Miner's Institute Foundation Board as CARD representatives. He asked Board members to forward suggested names for him to contact and inquire as to their interest. Rick Robbins is and will continue to attend these meetings as CARD's staff representative.

Mr. Badasch discussed the preparation of the 2009 tax levy with the commissioners. He asked for any guidance with respect to the direction of the levy considering the economy as well as our operations and the retrenching we had to do this past summer.

The New Maintenance Building is nearly complete. The punch list will be put together in the coming week and, once that work is completed, the building will be turned over to CARD.

Action Items

A motion was made by Burke, seconded by Bryant, to accept the Annual Financial Report (Audit) for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2009 and that it be filed with the respective Counties as well as the Secretary of State and State Comptroller, per law. Upon roll being call, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Burke, seconded by Bryant, that **Resolution number 09-5, A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING H.R. 3415 INTRODUCED BY CONGRESSMAN JERRY COSTELLO TO SUSPEND FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP UPDATES.**, be adopted. Upon roll being call, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

Other Business: None.

No further business coming before the Commissioners, a motion was made by Pickering, seconded by Day, that the meeting be adjourned. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

The meeting stood adjourned at 8:50 p.m. .

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Badasch, Secretary

Date