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COLLINSVILLE AREA RECREATION DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 16, 2008

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 7:03 P.M., December 16, 2008 at the district office, ten Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Upon role being called the following commissioners answered present: Spike Bryant, Kathy Pickering, Mary Ann Bitzer, Joan Burke and Joe Legendre. No Commissioners were absent.

Staff present included executive director Mark Badasch, recreation superintendent Rick Robbins, recreation supervisor MK Dashke, communications and marketing coordinator Elizabeth Lehnerer, and golf course superintendent Bob Lovatto.

Public input: Ms. Nickie Goestenkors of the American Red Cross made an oral presentation of the work the Red Cross does regarding the collection of blood and blood products. She encourage everyone to give blood as often as possible and noted that all of the blood collected in the St. Louis Region stays in the region.

A motion was made by Burke, seconded by Legendre, that the Minutes of the meeting held on November 18, 2008 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 Bryant, seconded by Legendre, that the Minutes of the Special Meeting, held November 24, 2008, be approved as corrected. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

The Treasurers Report was not available due to the illness of a staff member and a death in her family.

A motion was made by Bryant, seconded by Legendre, that the list of claims and accounts totaling \$105,141.73 be approved for payment. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

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

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Discussion Items

Mr. Badasch & Mr. Lovatto reviewed the winter staffing levels as well as plans for the 2009 golf season at Arlington Greens. The recommendations for 2009 fees were reviewed and discussed. In general, fees will increase just one dollar based on our expenses, the general economy and the competitive market.

A brief discussion of planned events and activities at Willoughby Farm took place.

The Board was advised that work will begin as soon as the current weather becomes a bit more reasonable. Currently, all contract papers have been signed and the work schedules being reviewed together with training on the electronic document exchange system being used on the project to keep paperwork and costs of copying and currier down.

All paperwork for CARD to take ownership of the Miner's Institute is in the hands of the Title Company and work is expected to be completed within a few weeks.

Action Items

A motion was made by Pickering, seconded by Legendre, that **ORDINANCE # 08- 6, AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES_FOR THE COLLINSVILLE AREA RECREATION DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2008 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2009**. Be adopted. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Burke, seconded by Bryant, that the staff recommendations for the 2009 Rates at Arlington Greens Golf Course be approved. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Burke, seconded by Bryant, that the Commissioners go to CLOSED SESSION for the purpose of discussing the sale and purchase of real estate. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

The Commissioners adjourned to CLOSED SESSION at 8:08 p.m. .

The regular monthly meeting of the board of park commissioners of the Collinsville Area Recreation District was called to order in OPEN SESSION by President Mary Ann Bitzer at 8:35 P.M., December 16, 2008 at the district office, ten Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Upon role being called the following commissioners answered present: Spike Bryant, Kathy Pickering, Mary Ann Bitzer, Joan Burke and Joe Legendre. No Commissioners were absent.

Staff present included executive director Mark Badasch.

A motion was made by Burke, seconded by Pickering, that the meeting be adjourned. Upon role being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

The meeting stood adjourned at 8:36 p.m. .

Respectfully submitted by,

Mark Badasch, Secretary

Date