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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 16, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Collinsville Area Recreation District was called to order by President Patrick Collins at 6:32 PM, August 16, 2016 at the district office, 10 Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance the roll was called with the following commissioners answering present: Mark Achenbach, Patrick Collins, Jeanne Lomax and Brad Sewell.

Staff present included: Doug Erhart, Kimberli DeRossett, Mark Kosmatka and Ebony Pollard. District Attorney Andrew Carruthers was present as well.

SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Collins opened the floor for speakers from the floor.

Ron Jedda was the only speaker from the floor. He discussed taking legal action against CARD if they choose to refund bonds. He has discussed it with numerous lawyers. He noted the park district has been moving in the right direction with the current budget. He wants the board to make the effort toward making the district function better and be more profitable. Collins noted this is in regards to refunding of bonds versus rollover bonds. Jedda noted he is against any kind of borrowing the District is trying to do. Sewell pointed out this is refinancing of old debt at a lower interest rate. Jedda restated he is against any attempt to refinance the bonds and reiterated CARD's history with refinancing. He recommends the Finance Advisor run scenarios to see what the net saving would be. Collins provided a brief history of refinancing 2004 and 2007 bonds and noted we will get the numbers.

CONSENT AGENDA

Collins opened discussion to review and accept the consent agenda items including:

Regular Meeting Minutes for July 19, 2016
Budget Public Hearing Minutes for July 19, 2016
Special Meeting Minutes for August 9, 2016
Closed Meeting Minutes for July 19, 2016 and August 9, 2016
Treasurer's Report for July 2016
Claims and Accounts List in the amount of \$459,393.71

Achenbach made a motion, seconded by Sewell, to accept the Consent Agenda items.

Achenbach questioned the Treasurer's Report under Bond & Interest and asked how we track the Bank of New York Mellon money. Erhart stated he gets monthly statements. He also noted UMB is the escrow agent for the

December 2016 Rollover Bond and they are getting tax levy money directly from Madison County. There will be a line added to the Investment Report to track BNYM and UMB Bond Escrow Monies.

Collins discussed Alligator Ice and the specifics of what it is since it was such a large bill. Erhart and Pollard explained the Alligator Ice slushies which can be purchased through the concession stand at Splash City. It was noted several times it is not just ice.

Roll was called with the following voting AYE: Mark Achenbach, Patrick Collins, Jeanne Lomax and Brad Sewell.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & STAFF REPORTS

Collins opened discussion with potential action regarding executive director and staff reports.

Erhart discussed Splash City Waterpark and presented the Board with a comparison of the last several years. He noted revenue wise we are about \$42,000 ahead of 2015, and \$200,000 ahead of 2014. So far this year we have had 37,000 visitors. Achenbach would like an idea of the expenditures. Erhart noted the Monthly Budget Tracking covers the expenditures and is being updated. It will be available later this week, then monthly going forward.

Erhart went on to discuss the online numbers and how making Tim Childers full-time was a big benefit.

Achenbach questioned Kevin Brown's report and the delivery of a stage for upcoming concerts at the Blum House. Erhart noted the agreement was for them to pick up and store the stage throughout September.

The Board discussed the Carol Frerker's report and the selling of Greg Reising's van and other unused vehicles, to purchase a truck for the farm.

Sewell made a motion, seconded by Collins, to accept the Executive Director and Staff Reports.

Collins questioned abbreviations on Splash City comparison sheet. Erhart provided an overview of pending issues within the waterpark that need to be repaired in the off season like a motor and the water guns on Monsoon Mountain.

Roll was called with the following voting AYE: Achenbach, Collins, Lomax and Sewell. None voted NAY. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Collins opened the floor for old business.

The first item of Old Business is discussion with potential action regarding Brian Nance's proposal to rent tower space at Pleasant Ridge Park. Nance did not come to the meeting despite his request for the Board to discuss the issue and vote on it. There would be four small antennas on the tower at Pleasant Ridge. Sewell wants to see the insurance. Nance's proposal also calls for a small shed to protect items from the elements. Lomax noted, by CARD renting to him, we could lose our property tax exemption. Achenbach and Sewell said there is a lot of risk with this proposal. Nance would pay \$800 a month to have antenna on the tower. The Board discussed the proposal as thoroughly as possible without being able to discuss it further with Nance.

Achenbach made a motion, seconded by Sewell, to reject Nance's proposal because of liability concerns associated with the proposal and the lack of additional detail to pending questions.

Roll was called with the following voting AYE: Achenbach, Collins, Lomax and Sewell. None voted NAY. Motion passed.

The second item of Old Business is discussion with potential action regarding the refunding of series 2004 and series 2007 alternate revenue municipal bonds. Erhart and the Board discussed options and more information will be gathered from Bond Consultant and Bond Counsel. Erhart noted that in order for us to get a proposal, we are going to have to get a Standard & Poor's rating before we can offer this bond as a first step. The question now is how much it will cost to get the rating. Lomax would like to get a proposal with three different rating scenarios to see what it is going to cost and what we will gain by doing this. Erhart is going to get quotes on various ratings, with and without insurance. No further action required at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

Collins opened the floor for the good of the district.

Collins thanked Kyle Smith and Mark Marcuzzo for all the work at the golf course. He noted it has been very busy each time he goes out there to play.

Erhart noted that George Schiller is making another donation to the course to fix the fence by the parking lot that is falling apart.

Lomax stated she was happy to see the numbers at Splash City.

OTHER BUSINESS

A motion was made by Achenbach, seconded by Lomax, to go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the employment, compensation, or dismissal of specific employees, purchase or sale of real property, and litigation. (5 ILCS 120/2§ 1, 5, 6, 11). Those voting AYE were Achenbach, Collins, Lomax and Sewell. None voted NAY. Motion passed.

The Board adjourned to CLOSED SESSION at 7:25 PM.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Collinsville Area Recreation District was called to order in OPEN SESSION by Collins, August 16, 2016 at 7:59 PM at the district office, 10 Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Commissioners present were Achenbach, Collins, Lomax and Sewell. Staff present included Executive Director Doug Erhart. Attorney Andrew Carruthers was present as well.

No further business coming before the commissioners, a motion was made by Sewell, seconded by Achenbach, the meeting be adjourned. Those voting AYE were Achenbach, Collins, Lomax and Sewell. None voted NAY. Motion passed.

The meeting stood adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberli DeRossett, Recording Secretary

Date