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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 19, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Collinsville Area Recreation District was called to order by President Ronald Jemma at 6:30 PM, December 19, 2017 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, Jeanne Lomax, Brad Sewell, Aaron Wright and Ronald Jemma.

Staff present include: Doug Erhart, Kimberli DeRossett, Mark Kosmatka, and Jill Rice.

District attorney James Craney was present as well.

SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Jemma opened the floor for speakers from the floor. There were no speakers from the floor.

CONSENT AGENDA

Jemma opened the floor for the following Consent Agenda items:

- A. Special Meeting Minutes for November 20, 2017
- B. Regular Meeting Minutes for November 21, 2017
- C. Special Closed Session Minutes for November 20, 2017
- D. Treasurer's Report for November 2017
- E. Claims & Accounts List in the amount of \$1,677,699.26
- F. Budget Tracking Reports for November 2017

Jemma added that the Claims & Accounts included the premium for Bob Kain's insurance policy.

A motion was made by Achenbach, seconded by Sewell, to approve the consent agenda items with the exception of item C. Item C will be discussed in closed session.

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

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & STAFF REPORTS

Jemma opened the floor for the Executive Director & Staff Reports.

Erhart discussed the checklist of items that needed to be completed with the transition of the City of Collinsville parks, Arlington Greens and Pleasant Ridge.

Regarding Arlington Greens: The escrow account is ready; UCC Statement has been filed for the equipment; he will file another UCC for all the furniture and fixtures during the final inventory on December 29. Jemma asked if someone was going with him. Erhart will be taking someone with him and Mark will be there as well. The Inventory for the alcohol has been completed, but will be updated before the end of the year. Arlington Greens LLC will owe CARD the difference. Rice and Tait Johnson reached out to all of the vendors to close all of the accounts by January 1, 2018. Mark Marcuzzo has talked to individuals from the

scheduled tournaments and would like to give them a letter regarding the transition when they come in to sign the tournament contracts. Erhart will terminate the health insurance and IMRF effective January 1, 2018. He has reached out to the insurance carrier and workman's compensation as well. The premium dropped from \$32,680 to \$21,347 for IPRF-workman's compensation. Liability insurance is settled. Credit cards have also been turned in.

Regarding the City of Collinsville taking the parks back, he has the deed for Schnuck's Park, and Pleasant Ridge Park. He still needs the deed for Arlington Wetlands. City manager, Mitch Bair signed the receipt for all of the equipment they took possession of.

Jedda asked if the power and water companies are going to read the meters. Rice said they have all been notified and they plan on reading them on January 2, 2018. Erhart added there should not be anything at the golf course CARD is liable for after January 2, 2018.

Achenbach said good work. Erhart added that Rice did a great part of it. Jedda echoed that.

Achenbach noticed several staff reports indicated they cannot do certain things because they are waiting on the City of Collinsville. He wanted to know if we have heard anything. Erhart said he has not heard a peep. Sewell asked that if people call CARD, for our staff to not just tell them to call the City. Erhart is going to reach out to the City of Collinsville for a potential contact regarding pavilion, park and ball field rentals.

A motion was made by Achenbach, seconded by Lomax, to approve the Executive Director & Staff reports.

Roll was called with the following commissioners voting AYE: Achenbach, Lomax, Sewell, Wright and Jedda. None voted NAY. Motion Passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Jedda opened the floor for old business. There were no Old Business items

NEW BUSINESS

Jedda opened the floor for new business.

The first item discussed was the CARD Board of Commissioners monthly meeting schedule for 2018.

A motion was made by Sewell, seconded by Achenbach, approving the Board of Commissioners monthly meeting schedule for 2018.

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

The second item discussed was Resolution #17-5, a resolution opposing a 1% sales tax increase in Madison County.

Jedda discussed the resolution. He stated this is the third time the 1% sales tax increase in Madison County has gone up for a vote. He went on to read the resolution, noting that Collinsville has one of the highest sales tax levels in Madison or St. Clair Counties. He believes it is bad public policy to take sales tax dollars with all of the financial burdens in Collinsville. Wright added that it was poor timing for the county to put this on the ballot for the primary election, which only about 10% of eligible voters turn out for.

A motion was made by Sewell, seconded by Lomax, approving Resolution #17-5, a resolution opposing a 1% sales tax increase in Madison County.

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

The third item discussed was expenditures at Splash City Waterpark for a volleyball court.

Erhart is currently gathering numbers for the financials of removing the FlowRider so that a volleyball court could be put in. The board and Erhart discussed the process of removing FlowRider and preparing the area for a volleyball court. Sewell suggested a water volleyball court. Erhart discussed the drawbacks. Achenbach prefers to remove the pool portion. Erhart is going to continue gathering information.

This was a discussion only. No action was taken.

The fourth item discussed was Capital expenditures at Splash City Waterpark. Erhart led a discussion of the various items that have been worked on and what still needs to be worked on.

This was a discussion only. No action was taken.

The fifth item discussed was Ordinance #17-11, an ordinance for the Levy of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2018 and ending April 30, 2019. Erhart led a discussion regarding the information on the levy. He said the overall reduction in the levy compared to last fiscal year is \$409,000, or 34% less. The board and Erhart continued to discuss specifics from various funds.

A motion was made by Achenbach, seconded by Sewell, approving Ordinance #17-11, an ordinance for the Levy of Taxes for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2018 and ending April 30, 2019.

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

FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

Jedda opened the floor for the good of the district.

Achenbach said good work to the staff and volunteers at Willoughby Farm for Christmas at Willoughby. He heard there were record numbers.

He went on to commend the rest of the staff for their hard work during this transition period. He knows change is hard.

OTHER BUSINESS

A motion was made by Wright, seconded by Sewell, 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, Lomax, Sewell, Wright and Jedda. None voted NAY. Motion passed.

The Board adjourned to CLOSED SESSION at 7:08 PM.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Collinsville Area Recreation District was called to order in OPEN SESSION by Jedda, December 19, 2017 at 7:42 PM at the district office, 10 Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Commissioners present were Achenbach, Lomax, Sewell, Wright and Jedda. Staff present included Erhart and DeRossett. District Attorney James Craney was present as well.

A motion was made by Achenbach, seconded by Wright, to table Consent Agenda item C, the Special Closed Session Minutes for November 21, 2017, until the next meeting.

Those voting AYE were Achenbach, Lomax, Sewell, Wright and Jedda. None voted NAY. Motion Passed

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

The meeting stood adjourned at 7:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberli DeRossett, Recording Secretary

Date