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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 20, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Collinsville Area Recreation District was called to order by President Ronald Jedda at 6:30 PM, February 20, 2018 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, Brad Sewell and Ronald Jedda.

Staff present include: Doug Erhart, Kimberli DeRossett, Carol Frerker and Mark Kosmatka.

SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Jedda opened the floor for speakers from the floor.

Jim Grobemeier was the only speaker from the floor. He did not sign in. He informed everyone that the house at Willoughby Farm is a 1926 Gordon Van Tine Kit Home. Van Tine supplied homes to Sears and Montgomery Ward. It was originally believed to be a Sears Catalog Home. Van Tine lacks signature markings like Sears Catalog Homes. One of their largest shipping yards was out of St. Louis.

CONSENT AGENDA

Jedda opened the floor for the following Consent Agenda items:

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes for January 16, 2018
- B. Regular Closed Meeting Minutes for January 16, 2018
- C. Treasurer's Report for January 2018
- D. Claims and Accounts List in the amount of \$117,470.33
- E. Budget Tracking Reports for January 2018

Achenbach discussed a few changes needed for the Closed Session Minutes from January with DeRossett prior to the start of the meeting. He went on to question the bills in the Claims & Accounts report for the golf course. Erhart noted it was payroll and payouts to staff as well as bills from December 2017.

A motion was made by Sewell, seconded by Achenbach, to approve the consent agenda items.

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

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & STAFF REPORTS

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

Erhart discussed the following items:

- P.E.P. Grant allocations
- Obtaining of bids for various projects at Splash City Waterpark
- DeRossett will be running Daddy Daughter Date Night this Friday, February 23
- Frerker has a presentation she will show for several projects she is working on at Willoughby Farm

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

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

OLD BUSINESS

Jemma opened the floor for old business.

Erhart led the discussion for Ordinance #18-2, an ordinance extending the tax for the year 2017 to pay principal and interest on all outstanding bonds

A motion was made by Sewell, seconded by Achenbach, to approve Ordinance #18-2, an ordinance extending the tax for the year 2017 to pay principal and interest on all outstanding bonds.

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

Erhart led the discussion regarding expenses related to maintaining and improving Splash City Waterpark. He showed the board two bids, one from Westport Pools for \$51,835 and one for SafeSlide Restoration for \$83,950. The Westport Pools bid would cover all points in the list from the YMCA. The motors are done and paid for. To do everything but change out the sand and the filters is \$19,335. Changing the sand and filters is \$32,500 alone. Westport highly recommends the sand be changed out because to their knowledge, it has never been changed. It was noted that some of the previous problems with the Oasis attraction at Splash City were probably a result of the sand never being changed. After a certain amount of time, a gel forms on the surface of the sand and water cannot filter through the sand. The funding for this would come out of capital because Erhart did not incorporate this into the budget this year. Sewell inquired about our staff changing the sand in the filter. Erhart replied no. Erhart added that Keith Grotefendt has resigned from CARD and now works for the Edwardsville Park District. Kevin Brown is working in the waterpark a few hours a week.

Jemma asked about the environmental impact of replacing the sand. Erhart noted that would be included in Westport Pools bid.

Erhart also noted there were issues with the pads under Monsoon Mountain. Those have been replaced with a substance that was poured into place.

Erhart went on to discuss the six slides included in the bid from SafeSlide Restoration. This will fix any fiberglass issues, repaint all of the slides, caulking and any other work that needs to be done to the slides to make them safe and appear to be new. This bid is for \$83,950. Part of this is allowed for in the P.E.P. Grant and the rest would be paid out of capital.

Sewell asked about the additional charges indicated on the last page of the bid from SafeSlide Restoration.

Aaron Wright arrived at 6:40 P.M.

Erhart said he would clarify that with SafeSlide Restoration and stress that CARD would not be able to spend more than the proposed \$83,950. It would be \$135,000 to complete both projects.

Erhart also received a second bid today from SafeSlide Restoration to include all slide projects including Monsoon Mountain painting and spot welding. This bid is \$239,000.

A motion was made by Achenbach, seconded by Sewell, to authorize the Executive Director to spend \$51,835 for maintenance and improvements by Westport Pools and no more than \$83,950 for services from SafeSlide Restoration.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Jedda opened the floor for new business.

The only item of new business was regarding Resolution #18-3, a resolution allowing the Executive Director to apply for Metro East Park and Recreation District (MEPRD) Park and Trail 40/60 Match Grant Funds for projects described in Exhibit 'A'. Frerker gave a presentation showing potential projects she would like to get approval for in order to apply for the MEPRD Grant. The project was known as the Children's Garden Expansion Area. For this particular grant, she has titled it Farm Interest Improvements & Parking. She handed out maps of Willoughby including the current Master Plan as well as an updated Conceptual Map of the Master Plan along with the cost analysis of Phase #1. She is concerned about the unknown and is seeking the board's approval for the following projects:

- Parking Lot Excavation - \$21,108
- Installation of Geoweb Parking Surface - \$23,600
- Storm Water Detention Basin Berms - \$9,870
- Culverts, Geo-grid, Anchors, Hardware - \$26,574
- Infill Mix, Filter Fabric, Sod - \$9,489
- Signage, ADA Trail, Trail Head Amenities - \$17,285

The said projects would have the following funding sources:

- MEPRD Grant (40% of project) - \$43,170
- P.E.P. Grant Funds - \$40,647
- CARD Funds (56% of MEPRD Grant) - \$24,109

Frerker said she is very passionate for the farm and hopes that whatever happens, the progress follows the farm and they can continue.

Frerker went on to discuss the Vivian property, the south parcel of the property near the south access, where they plan to put a maintenance shed. She noted this would store a lot of the large equipment, tractors, trail equipment and volunteer tools. She added that this addition would allow them to close out the storage rental they spend \$130 a month on, plus it would create a safer work environment for staff and volunteers.

Achenbach noted the farm is a victim of their own success. He questioned how much stuff they can try to squeeze in there. He went on to ask about the area under the Bank Barn, an area he considers to be the real maintenance area, and what is in that area. Frerker said they have what they have acquired and they have acquired a lot of equipment. Kosmatka noted there is the pickup truck, the wood chipper, electric cart that is used to haul people during events, the four wheel gators, etc. Frerker noted that is a place to restore equipment as well, which requires them to move equipment out in order to work on it.

Achenbach went on to ask about the equipment shed behind the barn and if there is any plan to extend it. Kosmatka and Frerker said it has been extended and there are eight bays. Kosmatka added they are trying to reserve that area for vintage equipment. Right now it is three quarters full. Frerker added that she would like to keep that with vintage equipment and interpretive panels.

Jedda asked to move this item to after Executive Session.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

Jedda opened the floor for the good of the district.

Achenbach said he appreciated Frerker's presentation.

OTHER BUSINESS

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

The Board adjourned to CLOSED SESSION at 7:18 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, February 20, 2018 at 8:55 PM at the district office, 10 Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Commissioners present were Achenbach, Jeanne Lomax, Sewell, Wright and Jedda. According to the Lomax, she arrived at 7:50 P.M. Staff present included Erhart, DeRossett, Frerker and Kosmatka.

Jedda announced that all items have been tabled and will be addressed at a Special Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.

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, Lomax, Sewell, Wright and Jedda. None voted NAY. Motion passed.

The meeting stood adjourned at 8:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberli DeRossett, Recording Secretary

Date