

**COLLINSVILLE AREA RECREATION DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**JULY 15, 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 7:00 p.m., July 15, 2008 at the District Office, 10 Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Upon roll being called the following Commissioners answered present: Mary Ann Bitzer, Spike Bryant, Kathie Pickering and Joe Legendre. Commissioner Joan Burke was absent.

Staff present included Executive Director Mark Badasch, Recreation Superintendent Rick Robbins, Park Superintendent Kevin Brown, Recreation Supervisor MK Dashke, Communications & Marketing Coordinator Elizabeth Lehnerer, Special Events Coordinator Shelly Crehan, Golf Course Superintendent Bob Lovatto, Assistant Golf Manager Tim Knowlton and Intern Laura Longfellow.

Public Input: None.

A motion was made by Bryant, seconded by Legendre, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held June 17, 2008 be approved as printed and placed on file. Upon roll being called all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Pickering, seconded by Legendre, that the Treasurer's Report for the month June be approved and placed on file for audit. Upon roll being called all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Bryant, seconded by Pickering, that the list of Claims and Accounts be approved for payment totaling **\$ 153,773.39**. Upon roll being called all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

Staff reports were presented and reviewed by the Board. A motion was made by Pickering, seconded by Legendre, that staff reports be accepted. Upon roll being called all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

**Discussion Items**

- A. The participant numbers from Arlington Greens were reviewed by Mr. Badasch, together with Tim Knowlton and Bob Lovatto. The past month has been busy and the course numbers have picked up. However, our numbers are still down 10 to 15% from the same period in 2007.
- B. Work is continuing on the Gindler Barn Re-Assembly Project. All parties are very pleased with the progress being made in spite of the extreme heat and humidity.

- C. Woolpert has submitted the OSLAD Grant application for Phase I work at Pleasant Ridge Park asking for a grant of \$400,000 which we will need to match with \$400,000. phase I work will include site grading, utilities, roads in the “upper” area, one pavilion, one playground, one restroom bldg. and some of the work on the bike path trail head as well as walking paths in the park.
- D. Design of the new maintenance center is continuing on a more detailed level with the most recent meetings covering mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems. A DRAFT Final Design should be ready for Board review at the August meeting. The goal is to have this ready for bidding in September.
- E. The City Council has approved setting aside \$100,000 per year for five years from TIFF funds for eligible projects at Miner’s. these funds will be accessed by our submitting project applications. There are some ‘strings’ attached’ but they are minimal and do not impact the operation. Talks will begin, in earnest, with the MIF to arrange transfer of all property and naming rights.
- F. Mr. Badasch presented a draft site plan of the proposed cell tower site. This site is similar to the existing one, near Jaycee Field, only they are proposing a tower with a height of 150 feet. The City will be the final arbiter since they have the permitting process control.
- G. The hoped-for grants have come through for acquisition of the Arlington Wetland project property by Madison County and the Southwestern Illinois R, C & D. We continue to work with both to arrange the purchase of an adjacent seven and-a-half acres along Arlington Drive. The hold-up, now, is getting a contract signed by the owner’s estate.

**Action Items**

- A. A motion was made by Pickering, seconded by Legendre, that the Agreement with FCB Bank to permit CARD to use on-line banking services, specifically, to aid in making wire transfers be approved. Upon roll being called all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

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Date

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Mark Badasch, Secretary