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COLLINSVILLE AREA RECREATION DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 15, 2011

The Regular 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., February 15, 2011 at the district office, Ten Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Upon roll being called the following commissioners answered present: Mary Ann Bitzer, Spike Bryant, Kathy Pickering and Steve Helmkamp. Commissioner Joan Burke was absent.

Staff present included executive director Mark Badasch, recreation superintendent Rick Robbins, park superintendent Kevin Brown, communications & marketing coordinator Elizabeth Davis, golf course assistant Chad Robbins, golf course superintendent Bob Lovatto, special event coordinator Shelly Crehan and administrative assistant Susan Zaber.

Also present was Cal Morris of AAIC.

Public Input: None.

A motion was made by Bryant, seconded by Pickering, that the Minutes of the regular meeting held on January 18, 2011 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 Bryant, that the Minutes of the CLOSED SESSION held on January 18, 2011 be approved as printed. Upon roll being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Bryant, seconded by Helmkamp, that the Treasurers Report for the month of January, 2011 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 Pickering, seconded by Bryant, that the list of claims and accounts totaling **\$161,991.49** be approved for payment. Upon roll being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

Mr. Badasch introduced the new administrative assistant, Susan Zaber, to the Board.

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

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Discussion Items

The Willoughby Farm Restroom Project is complete and paperwork is being finalized for close-out.

Phase 1 work at Miner's continues and is on schedule to be complete this month. The contractor, Impact Strategies, has done an excellent job of keeping everyone on schedule!

Work on planning and design for Phase 2 of the Miner's Rehabilitation Project is continuing with meetings to discuss the scope of the next phase. Consideration is being given to making our next stage of work focus on the existing building first floor in order to get the facility back in operation and maintain momentum in the public view.

Phase 1 Construction of Pleasant Ridge Park is ready to begin and there has been some ground-work done in preparation for vegetation removal and initial site grading.

Discussion took place on the subject of CARD policies regarding charging fees for school district use of park district facilities. It was noted that, for years, this use has included Arthur Fletcher Field, Jaycee Sports Complex Fields, picnic pavilions and rooms at the Activity Center. It was noted, also, that we have no longer been able to distribute CARD materials at the schools, while our use of CIS and Renfro has been approved we are frequently "bumped" from the building schedule at the last minute. In addition, we have installed and maintain playground site and several schools under the Intergovernmental Agreement approved during Dr. Fegley's tenure as Superintendent.

Mr. Badasch was instructed to communicate to the District Superintendent and the School Board that CARD will be re-evaluating current policies and considering the need to institute charging for this school use of park district facilities, this fall. Hopefully, some discussions can take place, after the school board elections and a new superintendent is in place.

Action Items

None.

Other Business

A motion was made by Pickering, seconded by Helmkamp, that the Board of Commissioners go to CLOSED SESSION for the discussion of the purchase of real estate. Upon roll being called, all present voted aye. None voted nay. Motion passed.

The Board adjourned to CLOSED SESSION at 7:53 pm.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Collinsville Area Recreation District was called to order by President Mary Ann Bitzer at 8:19 pm., February 15, 2011 at the district office, Ten Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Upon roll being called the following commissioners answered present: Mary Ann Bitzer, Spike Bryant, Kathy Pickering and Steve Helmkamp. Commissioner Joan Burke was absent.

Staff present included executive director Mark Badasch.

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

The meeting stood adjourned at 8:28 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Badasch, Secretary

Date