



COLLINSVILLE AREA RECREATION DISTRICT

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## **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 15, 2012**

The Special Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Collinsville Area Recreation District was called to order by President Andrew Carruthers at 7:00 PM, October 15, 2012 at the district office, 10 Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Following the Pledge of Allegiance the roll call was taken with the following commissioners answering present: Andrew Carruthers, Mary Ann Bitzer, and Spike Bryant. Commissioner David Tanzyus was absent.

Staff present included Executive Director Terry Wilson, Director of Business Rosemary Barczewski, and Administrative Assistant Susan Zaber. Attorney David Gerber was also present.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Joe Ashmann addressed the Board regarding his experience with CARD and recent collection of petitions. He stated the people knew what was going on with their tax money and had a good handle on what was going on at CARD. He stated he talked to people that were in housing that were \$500,000 to \$600,000 and people that were in \$100,000 homes and the neat thing they had in common is they felt the pinch of what was going on in society and were concerned about their tax dollars. He stated appearances at City Council regarding Miner's and TIF, and at Unit 10 Board were done. He stated TIF was an area all of its own and the creation of a third TIF District was turned down in Collinsville by the school board because they found out they could have done better without TIF. He stated Mark Achenbach's numbers pointed out that CARD would receive \$2 million without TIF, and when they appeared at City Council they advised them that they thought it would be in their best interest to forgive CARD's indebtedness. He stated they had a loose bunch of people, but they had guys he had gotten to know that really had some credentials. He stated he wanted to thank the Board for acquaintances he made since his first trip here, great people with tremendous talents and backgrounds. He stated Jim Sparks was the best example of what he was talking about, that Jim was with CARD every step of the way from volunteering for the directorship free of charge to applying for the vacancy on the Board. He stated Jim was an intellect, humble, proud of his parents and upbringing, loved the community, and had the credentials and background for the commissioner position. He stated his background and education as a tool and dye maker, his experience as a business owner and knowledge of daily operations of a park district and golf course uniquely qualified him for that job.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Spike Bryant, seconded by Mary Ann Bitzer that the Commissioners go into Closed Session for the purpose of meeting with auditors. Upon roll being called, those voting AYE were: Carruthers, Bryant, Bitzer. None voted NAY. Motion passed.

The board adjourned to CLOSED SESSION at 7:05 PM.

Commissioner David Tanzyus arrived at 7:12 PM.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Collinsville Area Recreation District was called to order in OPEN SESSION by President Andrew Carruthers at 8:12 PM, October 15, 2012 at the district office, 10 Gateway Drive, Collinsville, Illinois. Upon roll being called the following commissioners answered present: Andrew Carruthers, David Tanzyus, Spike Bryant, and Mary Ann Bitzer. Staff present included Executive Director Terry Wilson, Director of Business Rosemary Barczewski, and Administrative Assistant Susan Zaber. Attorney David Gerber was also present.

No further business coming before the Commissioners, a motion was made by David Tanzyus, seconded by Mary Ann Bitzer, that the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll being called, those voting AYE were: Carruthers, Tanzyus, Bryant, Bitzer. None voted Nay. Motion passed.

The meeting stood adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

11/20/12  
Date

Susan Zaber  
Susan Zaber, Recording Secretary