

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
July 14, 2008

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was held at 5:34 p.m. pursuant to Section 4-4 of the Illinois Park District Code pertaining to the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance.

Tom Tully of Washington, Illinois was present. He was curious as to why there were no amounts in the budget column of the financial report. Director Damery explained the budget was being approved this evening. He had no other comments.

Public hearing closed at 5:36 p.m.

1.0 Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Washington Park District Board of Commissioners, Tazewell County, Illinois was held on July 14, 2008 at the Washington Park District office located at 105 S. Spruce Street, Washington, Illinois. President Jim Bremner called the meeting to order at 5:36 pm. Staff present was Doug Damery, Director; Kristy Howell, Recreation Manager; Kim Hess, Financial Manager; Jackie Hofer, Administrative Assistant; and Brad Kanaga, Superintendent of Parks. Commissioners present were: Jim Bremner, Dale Claus, Lorelei Cox, Matt Moehle and Scott Underwood

2.0 Petition and Public Comment

Tom Tully of Washington, Illinois was present to see if there was any follow up regarding the posting of the meeting minutes. Director Damery stated he did inquire and our web-site person is working on a version of Microsoft Office 2000 and we are on 2007. There were some compatibility problems which require us to save the documents as older versions and resending them to her. The minutes will then be posted.

Regarding Bowen Lake, Director Damery is looking into some grants through the state and private foundations. There is nothing specific available at this time. There is a Illinois DNR Grant that is available but unfortunately it is unfunded.

Mr. Tully's 3rd item of concern is the chemicals that are used to treat Washington Park and the cost. Brad explained we are treating for broadleaf and fertilizer at several parks. Brad explained that we sometimes receive phone calls from Washington resident who treat their yards and if they get weeds from us for not spraying they are not very happy. We also treat the athletic fields for better playable turf.

3.0 Approval Meeting Minutes

3.2 Approval of March 25, 2008 special meeting minutes

- A motion was made to approve the March 25, 2008 special meeting minutes (Moehle, Claus; C-Un)

3.3 Approval of June 16, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes

- A motion was made to approve the June 16, 2008 regular meeting minutes (Cox, Moehle; C-Un)

4.0 Finance Report

- A motion was made to approve the Financial Report. (Underwood, Cox; C-Un)

5.0 Review and Approval of Claims

- A motion was made to approve and pay the claims. (Underwood, Claus; C-Un)

6.0 Committee Reports

6.1 WACC Board Representative Report –Commissioner Cox attended the June meeting. She stated she was very hopeful that there would be a budget as well as a financial statement, however, one was not provided. A few items of discussion: 1.) The checks and balance system; the general manager signs the checks 2.) The audit has been postponed.

6.2 HISRA Board Representative Report- Dale reported the packet of information sent out to him did not include a revenue/expenditure sheet like last month. Nothing to report and Commissioner Claus will be unavailable to attend the July HISRA meeting Director Damery is planning to be there.

7.0 Staff Report

7.1 Parks and Property- Brad reported no additions.

7.2 Athletic Coordinator- There was no additions to the athletic coordinator's report.

7.3 Recreation Manager- Kristy had no additions to her report.

7.4 Executive Director- Director Damery highlighted a few items off his report. 1.) A meeting has been scheduled with a Landscape Architecture firm out of Springfield that has done a variety of recreation trail projects. 2.) The application for a State of Illinois not-for-profit corporation is ready for submittal. 3.) We are looking into joining US Communities. A resolution is included in the packet for approval at the July meeting. 4.) LaHood Park Spray ground has been working sporadically this season. Sand and dirt has gotten into the activation bollard, therefore, we are replacing the push button activators with sensors.

8.0 Old Business

8.1 Action on Ordinance No. 233 to establish the Combined Budget and Appropriation for the 2008-2009 Fiscal Year.

- A motion was made to approve Ordinance No. 233 to establish the Combined Budget and Appropriation for the 2008-2009 Fiscal Year. (Underwood, Cox; C-Un)

9.0 New Business

9.1 Action on Resolution to enter into an Agreement to Participate in Cooperative Purchasing of Personal Property, Supplies and Services Pursuant to the Terms of the Illinois Governmental Joint Purchasing Act.

- A motion was made to approve a Resolution to enter into an Agreement to Participate in Cooperative Purchasing of Personal Property, Supplies and Services Pursuant to the Terms of the Illinois Governmental Joint Purchasing Act (Claus, Moehle; C-Un)

9.2 Approve Agreement for Audit Service –

- A motion was made to approve the agreement for the Audit Service (Cox, Underwood; C-Un)

10.0 Executive Session

10.1 Executive Session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act to discuss the sale, lease or acquisition of property.

- A motion was made at 6:34 p.m. to adjourn from the regular board meeting and move into executive session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act to discuss the sale, lease or acquisition of property. (Cox, Underwood; C-Un)
- A motion was made at approximately 6:49 p.m. to return to regular session (Underwood, Moehle; C-Un)

11.0 Adjournment

- A motion was made at approximately 6:50 p.m. to adjourn (Cox, Underwood)

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorelei Cox, Secretary
Washington Park District
Board of Commissioners