

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
November 16, 2009

1.0 Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Washington Park District Board of Commissioners, Tazewell County, Illinois was held on Sept. 21, 2009 at the Washington Park District office located at 105 S. Spruce Street, Washington, Illinois. President Jim Bremner called the meeting to order at 5:34pm. Commissioners present were: Dale Claus, Herb Knoblauch and Doug Weston. Lorelei Cox was absent. Staff present was Doug Damery, Director; Kristy Howell, Recreation Manager; Kim Hess, Finance Manager; Jackie Hofer, Administrative Assistant; Brad Kanaga, Superintendent of Parks.

2.0 Petition and Public Comment

Jim Ash of Jim Ash Designs was present to let the Board know he is now on his own and attended the meeting and future meetings to “keep up to speed” on what is happening.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

3.1 Approval of October 20, 2009 Meeting Minutes

- A motion was made to approve the October 20, 2009 meeting minutes (Knoblauch, Weston; C-Un)

4.0 Financial Report

- A motion was made to approve the Financial Report as well as forgiving of the transfers. (Claus, Weston; C-Un)

5.0 Review and Approval of Claims

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

5.1 Payment of Application #2 to ICCI for the Wilmor Rd. Connection and Alternates.
No payment due at this time.

6.0 Committee Reports

6.1 Update of the Washington Recreation Trail –ICCI has gotten a lot done this week. Hardees and the Township block are about 85 to 90% done. We will be adding a walk-way from the trail to the bike parking at Hardees.

6.2 Update from the WACC Representative-no report

7.0 Staff Reports

7.1 Athletic Coordinators-report enclosed in packet

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

7.3 Parks and Property-One comment from Brad, the amount of sod that is being put down at Oak Ridge is not cheaper but it does allow us to have an established area come spring so we do not have to fight with trying to get grass to grow before the season.

7.4 Executive Director –Director Damery had no additions but discussed each item under Administration, Oak Ridge Concessions, Wilmor Rd. Connection and Washington Park District.

8.0 Old Business

None

9.0 New Business

9.1 Discussion and Action regarding Holiday Hours of the Recreation Facility

We are recommending closing the building December 24, 2009 through Sunday January 3, 2010. Due to staff taking vacation and this being a slow period for the park district this could be a cost savings move for the park district.

If we have 10 paying kids participating in our Holiday Camp, our REACH program will be open. This also is an opportunity for us to do some maintenance on the tile floors and gym floor.

- A motion was made to close the Recreation Facility December 24, 2009- January 3, 2010 (Weston, Knoblauch; C-Un)

9.2 Discussion of the 2009 Tax Levy Ordinance for the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year-

Director Damery stated he has prepared and passed out a summary sheet. Next month the Levy will be presented and approved; there is no need for a Truth in Taxation public hearing as the amount of the levy does not exceed 5% over last year's.

9.3 Action on Resolution calling a public hearing concerning the intent of the Washington Park District to sell Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds not to exceed \$382,950.

A public hearing is required in December to issue the general obligation bonds that we need to pay the alternate revenue bond and fund the capital expenditure plan. This is the same process we do annually to issue the bonds.

- A motion was made to approve Resolution calling a public hearing concerning the intent of the Washington Park District to sell Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds not to exceed \$382,950. (Claus; Knoblauch, C-Un, Weston abstained)

9.4 Potential Discussion and Action on the IPARKS Liability Insurance Program

This is for our insurance renewal. Renewal fee is \$47,224. Director Damery was hoping it would come down but the bottom line is that we need to renew the policy. President Bremner suggested that if we want to investigate it further we need to ask Wagler Insurance what the minimum earned is.

10.0 Adjournment

- A motion was made at 8:02 p.m. to adjourn from the regular meeting. (Weston, Claus; C-Un)

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorelei Cox,
Secretary
Washington Park District