

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 21, 2014
Washington Park District, 105 S. Spruce St., Washington, IL**

1.0 Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Washington Park District Board of Commissioners, Tazewell County, Illinois was held on April 21, 2014 at the Washington Park District office located at 105 S. Spruce Street, Washington, Illinois. President Lorelei Cox called the meeting to order at 6:15pm. Commissioners present were: Rich Baer, Jim Bremner, and Doug Weston. Staff present was Doug Damery, Director; Brian Tibbs, Recreation Manager; Brad Kanaga, Superintendent of Parks, Kim Hess, Finance Manager and Jackie Hofer, Administrative Assistant.

2.0 Petition and Public Comment

Janice Brown, 717 Scottswood, Peoria IL, Jennifer Lindsey, 1216 Oak Leaf, Washington IL were in attendance and Michael Slattery of Skokie IL and Jillian Murray, Chicago IL were in attendance via phone. They presented to the Washington Park District, Road Trip for a Cause which was created as a direct response to the tornado of November 17, 2013. They are interested in building a commemorative gazebo in one of our parks that would benefit the community as a whole. The labor for this project would be volunteered and would use reclaimed debris.

3.0 Approval Meeting Minutes

3.1 Approval of March 17, 2014 (Bremner, Weston; C-Un)

4.0 Financial Report

- A motion was made to approve the Financial Report (Bremner, Weston; C-Un)

5.0 Review and Approval of Claims

- A motion was made to approve the claims (Weston, Bremner; C-Un)

6.0 Committee Reports

6.1 Update from HISRA Representative-no meeting

6.2 Update from the WACC Representative-Commissioner Baer has been appointed to serve as the park district representative on the WACC Board.

7.0 Staff Reports

7.1 Parks and Property-Brad had no additions to his report

7.2 Recreation Manager-Brian had no additions to his report

7.3 Athletic Coordinator-report was included in packet

7.4 Executive Director-Director Damery reported no additions to his report however discussion items under Administration, Meadow Valley Park, LaHood Park, Washington Park Pool and Improvement Plan.

8.0 Old Business

8.1 Discussion and action regarding a lease agreement and/or purchase of mowers

- A motion was made to approve the buyout option of the 6' Deck Mower of \$4,800 and to table the larger mower until the May 5, 2014 Special Board Meeting. (Bremner, Weston; C-Un)

9.0 New Business

9.1 Discussion and potential action on Washington Gazebo Project

In discussion regarding this project, Commissioners are definitely in support of this idea. They also want to make sure someone who is associated with a familiar Foundation handles the funds and the distribution to the proper organizations. Commissioners are also in favor of the gazebo going on park district property and would also like to have architectural control on it as well.

- A motion was made to commit to the Washington Gazebo Project with the reservations of architectural control, fund control and knowledge and with the considerations of paving the lot and installation of restrooms. (Weston, Bremner; C-Un)
- A motion was made at approximately 8:15pm to move into executive session. (Baer, Bremner; C-Un)

Executive Session in accordance with the open meetings to discuss personnel, selection of a person to fill a public office of Washington Park District and acquisition, purchase or lease of property.

- A motion was made at approximately 8:30pm to adjourn from executive session (Weston, Bremner; C-Un)

9.2 Potential Action on items discussed in Executive Session

9.3 Discussion and potential action on the FY 2014-15 Working Budget

Discussion was held regarding resurfacing of the tennis courts which were not resurfaced last summer. Commissioners advised Director Damery to include the tennis court resurfacing in this FY.

10.0 Adjournment

- A motion was made at approximately 8:32pm to adjourn. (Baer, Weston; C-Un)

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Bremner, Secretary
Washington Park District, Board of Commissioners