

**Metamora Park Board**  
P.O. Box 633  
Minutes of December 3, 2014 Regular Meeting  
Of the Board of Commissioners

Call to Order – In the Village Hall: 102 N. Davenport, Metamora IL at 7:02 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance – Performed.

Roll Call - Commissioners present were, Dawn Deeb, and Sarah Buss, Kerry Brock, Mike Staub and Al Eckhoff, Michelle Spielman arrived at 7:07, Eric Stone arrived at 7:10, Director Christy Ganson, Secretary/Treasurer Betty Lang were present.

Minutes – November 5, 2014, regular Meeting minutes: Motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Eckhoff and seconded by Ms. Deeb. Motion carried

Public Input – Mr. Hutchins explained there would be a meeting between The Village and the MPD. The MPD needs to verify the equipment that The Village has that belongs to the MPD. This needs to be documented.

Treasurer Report – Betty Lang: The Board reviewed the Treasurer's report. Mr. Eckhoff made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted, seconded by Ms. Spielman. Motion carried.

Nicholas Kierski had filed unemployment with the MPD. We do not know at this time if he will receive any funds.

Director of Parks and Recreation – Christy Ganson: Ms. Ganson reported on the month's activities.

1. Tot Time for ages 1 – 5 at Park District Office on Wed. Nov. 5 and 19. Will have Tot Time Wed. Dec. 3 and 17. Dec. 17 will be at the Community Center to allow participants to bring large toys such as bikes. This will be the last Tot Time at the Comm. Center before it closes.
2. House next to entrance of BPP burned on morning of Sun. Nov. 16. A big THANK YOU goes to Chief Obery and his 16 firefighters who conducted the controlled burn. Demolition started on Nov. 18 after debris cooled. Demolition continues. More details under Old Business.
3. Took photos and video footage of the house burn at BPP. Sent that along with a press release to the Woodford Courier.
4. Made contacts, coordinated schedules and space, and wrote up descriptions for recreation programs for Winter/Spring 2015 program guide (Jan. – May). Handled all the graphics and layout for the guide as well. Coordinated printing with P&P Press. Delivered for printing week before Thanksgiving. The programs in the guide include: Yoga (3 different classes), Jr. Lego League, Nature Play, Tot Time, Creative Movement, Wee Art, Youth Art, Spring Floral Class,

Geocaching, Maple Syrup Time hike, Spring Wildflower hike, Silver Hikes, StrollFit, and Strength & Balance. Also included description of Office Rental and Education Programs for Schools, Homeschool, and Scouts. Program guide is now complete and ready to pick up on Monday. Will distribute copies to Commissioners on Wed. and to the public starting on Thursday.

5. Thank you to the Village and Mr. Hutchens for bringing a load of rock over to BPP for the floor of the shed. Was enough rock to cover half of the shed floor. Roger can park the Gator in the shed now. Shed is now covered by our IParks insurance policy.
6. Working with Mr. Chad Schierer to construct holder for our Park District sign to put up on the pylon by our Office.
7. In communication three times, with Mr. Bob Schierer about installing a security light over the door of our entrance. He has told me it will be done, but has not been completed yet. Concerned for sufficient lighting for our night classes such as Lego and Yoga.
8. Park District Office will be closed on Wed. Dec. 24, Thurs. Dec. 25, and Fri. Dec. 26 in honor of Christmas.
9. Office will also be closed Wed. Dec. 31 and Thurs. Jan. 1 in honor of New Year's.
10. Asked to give a talk about Park District at the next Kiwanis meeting on Jan. 6 at The Flame Restaurant.

Trails – Mr. Staub: none

Futures – Mr. Stone/Ms. Buss: Mr. Stone suggested that we upgrade the BPP in two or three phases. The third phase would be when we can get maybe The Village and others on board to help with the building structure. This would enable us to at least get started. There may even be a grant that might be available. Ms. Ganson will contact the Historical Society about the status of the cabin in BPP. Ms. Leifheit will have an update on our website at the next meeting.

Marketing – Ms. Deeb: none

Special Projects – Ms. Spielman: The next meeting is December 4, 2014.

Maintenance – Mr. Eckhoff: Discuss later.

Legislation – Ms. Brock: Ms. Brock mentioned the filing dates of December 15 – 22, 2014. Turn the forms to Ms. Lang. Ms. Lang will file the Certificate of Ballot at the court house.

Old Business –

Update on House, & Demolition–Ms. Ganson reported it is done. There is some equipment still left on the area. They did a very nice job. There were not any complaint from the community.

Update on Pool (drain cover, flow, ADA lift & concession stand) – Ms. Ganson explained that Mr. Kelly is still working on the plans of the drain cover, flow rate for the main pool, and ADA requirement for pool entry. The pool is officially closed. Nothing new on the concession stand.

MYSA Contract – Ms. Ganson has not heard back from Mike Morge.

Secretary Position – Ms. Buss reported that no one posted for the Secretary position. Ms. Ganson and Ms. Buss will discuss restructuring the position to get more help in the office. They will report back at the next meeting.

New Business –

Tax Levy – Mr. Eckhoff made a motion to adapt the 2014 – 2015 Tax Levy (Tax Ley 14-15-04) and seconded by Mr. Staub. Motion carried.

Work done on shed – Chad Schierer – Mr. Eckhoff made a motion to approve Chad Schierer to complete the work on the shed not to exceed \$600 and seconded by Ms. Spielman. Motion carried. Mr. Seckler will help Mr. Schierer.

American Legion Auxiliary Request for meeting space – Ms. Ganson shared that the American Legion Auxiliary would like to have to monthly meeting at the office. They meet the first Wednesday of the month. They would also like to have a reduced rate of \$25. The MPD is looking to expand their programs. Wednesday is a good night for programs. At his time MPD is not interested in renting the space for an ongoing meeting every month unless it is for one of their own programs.

Wayne Mechanical – Review bill for pool restroom work – Mr. Eckhoff made a motion to pay the invoice to Wayne Mechanical for the repair of the men's bathroom not to exceed \$1,947.19 and seconded by Ms. Brock. Motion carried.

Public Input – none

Executive Session – none

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Eckhoff and seconded by Mr. Staub. Motion carried at 8:25 p.m. .