

Metamora Park Board
P.O. Box 633
Minutes of July 1, 2015 Special Meeting
Of the Board of Commissioners

Call to Order – In the Village Hall: 102 N. Davenport, Metamora IL at 6:07 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance – Performed

Roll Call - Commissioners present were, Dawn Deeb, Sarah Buss, Kerry Brock, Mike Staub and Michelle Spielman Director Christy Ganson, Treasurer Betty Lang and Secretary Holly Heck were present.

Public Input – None

New Business – This meeting was called to discuss Metamora Pool finances. Ms Buss filled everyone in on pool per Ms Lang.

2010- pool had a loss of \$14,918.00

2011 – pool had a loss of \$3474.00.

2012 – pool had a loss of \$63,028.00, the liner was bought this year.

2013 – pool had a loss of \$33,800.00

2014 – pool had a loss of \$56,444.00

As of yesterday, to date this year the pool has a loss of \$62,715.00.

Per Ms Ganson some of the reasons for the losses are due to age of repairs, neglect, June weather bad and requirements and updates.

Ms Ganson said the Park District has to carry property insurance for the pool which is \$5000.00 per year. If we didn't have that liability expense, we would save about \$3500.00.

Some of the ideas that were discussed:

- Check into what kind of bond we would be able to obtain. Per Ms Ganson, we do have a bond in place for about \$300,000.00. She will contact First Midstate.

- Another option would be selling the pool to a private investor.

- Increase cost of Swim Lessons, door cost, passes, etc.

- Double MAST fees.

Per Ms Spielman, people are driving to Morton and Washington to take kids to the tot time at their pools, since Metamora does not offer tot time because we have swim team in the morning.

Per Ms Brock, maybe we could get sponsorship for the pool.

Options if we close:

Per Ms Buss, regroup. Work with MAST on fundraisers. Maybe no lifeguard in baby pool. Ms Ganson reported already no lifeguard there.

Maybe get rid of slide pool. The slide pool costs \$2000.00 to insurance every year, still paying this even though no one can use now.

The average number of people at the pool per day is 35. We have to have a minimum of 4 lifeguards to open. Right now.

Ms Ganson suggested meeting with MAST. Also, let Mr. Maurer, Village President, know what is going on with the pool.

Ms Buss proposed weekly meeting with people regarding the pool. We have until end of September to finalize budget.

Ms Speilman thought maybe we should close for next year unless we can get help from someone or MAST that would be willing to help us raise funds.

Public Input – none

Executive Session-none

Adjournment– Meeting was adjourned at 6:59 by Mr. Staub and seconded by Ms Buss.