



Metamora Park District
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MINUTES OF JULY 11, 2017 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Call to Order - In the Park District Office: 214 E. Partridge, Metamora IL at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance - Performed.

Roll Call - Matt Bidne, Andrew Kamm, and Jarrod Love were present.

Minutes - Minutes for the following meetings were reviewed and approved as listed:

1. 6/07 Regular Meeting - Motion made by Love and seconded by Kamm. Motion passed.
2. 5/03 Executive Session - Motion made by Love and seconded by Kamm. Motion passed.

Public Input

- Dawn Deeb spoke to the board on behalf of Kiwanis Club of Metamora. She offered information in regards to the Brighton Park playground installation. Kiwanis has previously committed \$2,500 to the project, but is interested in giving more having learned of the additional plans for expansion. She told the board that there is strong support for the project within the local community.

Reports

1. Treasurer Report
 - a. Joan Garber gave Treasurer's report. Love made motion to approve. Kamm seconded the motion. Motion passed.
2. Director's Report
 - a. Spent a lot of time at Schupp inspecting park and equipment. We have some issues needing addressed. Ladder is cracked and rusting and appears to be a pinching and cutting hazard. I am working on pricing for replacement for this piece of the playset. The climb wall also is starting to crack at point of attachment. I will contact the manufacturer as well on this to see if it can be fixed or just need replacement.
 - b. Wrote up a presenter packet for information for those interested in teaching with us.
 - c. Researched quotes on meter faucets, Andrew has one as well.
 - d. I will be switching office hours, It is quite difficult to get work done while campers and counselors are in the office and in the 4 weeks we have had evening hours, no one has stopped in or called. I do not feel they are needed during the summer. I will try them again in the fall.
 - e. Park districts are passing ordinances to ban smoking in their parks. Spielman suggested the commissioners consider passing such an ordinance to promote healthy living.
3. Budget - No new information.



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4. Pool
 - a. Metamora High School Swim Team is interested in using the Metamora Pool for up to labor day. Currently, the pool is scheduled to close on August 6th. Kamm asked what the costs would be to keep the pool open. Brockhouse was not sure at the meeting, but did state that there would not be any staffing costs. The only costs would be for electricity and chemicals.
 - b. Brockhouse told the board that the pool is losing some water everyday. It is not clear where the water is going. Spielman suggested comparing the gallons used by the pool on the water bill for the past couple of years.
5. Futures
 - a. Kamm suggested doing a walkthrough of all parks with the board and executive staff to address where we stand now and what maintenance needs to be done before taking on new projects. Spielman strongly expressed her support for this idea.
6. Marketing - No new information.
7. Maintenance
 - a. The installation of the concrete at our baseball fields has been delayed for at least four weeks due to the contractor tearing his achilles tendon.

Old Business

- Proposed Budget
 - The board briefly looked over the proposed budget and had no major objections. It will need to be passed at a later meeting.
- Star Insurance Bill
 - Love made a motion to retroactively approve the bill for Star Insurance for \$6,546.00. Kamm seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Meter Faucet
 - Kamm made a motion to approve the contract for the purchase and install of metered faucets at Lincoln Douglass and Schupp parks in the amount of \$850 to Klaus Heating, Cooling, and Plumbing. Love seconded the motion. Motion passed.

New Business

- Pool Closing Cost Estimates
 - Bidne presented estimates for closing the pool to the board, to be discussed further at the next meeting.
- Wolves football proposition
 - Bidne spoke to the board about a conversation he had with Mid-Illini Wolves, an eight man team, about possibly using MPD football fields this spring. He has asked that they attend a meeting to discuss it further with the board. Bidne said that the rental costs would have to accommodate potential wear and tear.



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- Brighton Park Addition
 - Spielman spoke to the board about feedback she has received about additional equipment at Brighton park. Many organizations have expressed their support for the plan. Spielman will be contacting more organizations to ask for funds.
 - Pour and Play surfacing makes up a large portion of the cost at \$16,000. Fondulac strongly recommended it over other surfacing options.
 - Park and Play Structures will be sending a new quote after looking at the logistics of installation.
 - The Village has agreed to do the site excavation work.
 - Equipment will need to be cut if the costs run too high. Spielman advised against this, since it would not be truly inclusive.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:01 PM by Love and seconded by Kamm.

Matt Bidne, President of the Board

Paula Winkler, Metamora Park Board Secretary