

SUGAR GROVE PARK DISTRICT
Monday, September 14, 2009
6:00PM

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- 1. Meeting was called to order** by President Kevin Johnson at 6:04PM.
Roll call was taken:

President Kevin Johnson	Present
Commissioner Mike Bachio	Present
Commissioner Steven Becker	Present
Commissioner Sean Carmody	Present
Commissioner Ochsenschlager	Present
Executive Director Greg Repede	Present

Others Present:

Karen Pritchard, Superintendent of Recreation
Ginny Pavesich, Recording Secretary

- 2. Public to Address the Board**

None

- 3. Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Carmody made a motion to approve the July 13, 2009 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting. Commissioner Becker seconded and the motion passed. .

- 4. Approval of Treasurer's Report**

Commissioner Bachio made a motion to approve the July 2009 Treasurer's Report and Disbursements totaling \$138,949.64. Commissioner Becker seconded. Roll call vote was taken:

President Johnson	Aye
Commissioner Bachio	Aye
Commissioner Becker	Aye
Commissioner Carmody	Aye
Commissioner Ochsenschlager	Aye

Motion passed 5-0

Commissioner Carmody made a motion to approve the August 2009 Treasurer's Report and Disbursements totaling \$50,704.56. Commissioner Bachio seconded. Roll call vote was taken:

President Johnson	Aye
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Commissioner Bachio	Aye
Commissioner Becker	Aye
Commissioner Carmody	Aye
Commissioner Ochsenschlager	Aye

Motion passed 5-0

5. Unfinished Business

A. Bike Plan Committee

The Executive Director reported that a Bike Plan Committee has been created and approved by the Village. No meetings are currently scheduled. The Park District will be involved. The Committee is interested in seeking grant money.

B. Harter Road Ball Fields

Executive Director Repede provided cost estimates from Cordogan, Clark & Associates, for the construction of four ball fields. The Director reported that PRI (firm which wrote the Park District's Master Plan) is experienced in writing grant proposals and had suggestions for additional recreation elements to create a better grant proposal. The grant would be a 50/50 match. The school district indicated that a long term lease (at least 20-25 years) would be acceptable. The project would be paid for by the Park District, as the project goes along, followed by reimbursement to the Park District from the State.

Comments:

- Include a variety of uses for the fields
- Review a summary of grants written by PRI, and results of grants
- Check on timeline of grant approvals and timeline for receipt of reimbursement of costs
- Request PRI to write a proposal and visit a Park District Board meeting to answer questions; this proposal is not a commitment to hiring PRI and is done at no cost
- Consider including the roughing in for power at ball fields, for future use
- Sports complex lease expires in 2018
- Include a walking path
- Consider obtaining a cost estimate for the project from an additional engineering firm
- Park District would control use of fields; school district would use for physical education classes only;
- Design of fields, including drainage, field sizes, other particulars, and ways to reduce costs, would be discussed and determined
- Discuss with PRI the details involved in writing the grant and possible ways to reduce the cost of writing the grant
- Obtain costs to write grant from other grant writers

Commissioner Ochsenschlager inquired about the Park District being proactive regarding the sports complex lease expiring in 2018. Director Repede stated that it is

in the best interest of the Park District for the lease to be extended at the appropriate time.

6. New Business

A. IMRF – Resolution #09-01

Board Member Ochsenschlager made a motion to approve Resolution #09-01. Commissioner Becker seconded and roll call vote was taken.

President Johnson	Aye
Commissioner Bachio	Aye
Commissioner Becker	Aye
Commissioner Carmody	Aye
Commissioner Ochsenschlager	Aye

Motion passed 5-0

B. Concrete Bags Toss Games

The Board agreed with the suggestion by the Park District staff to purchase two sets of concrete bag toss game at a cost of \$800 per set. The games would be installed in Volunteer Park, and could be positioned on existing concrete or placed on concrete pads in grassy areas.

C. Monarch Waystation Program

The Executive Director reported that the Park District was issued a certificate naming the Prairie Detention Basin as an international Monarch Waystation.

D. 2010 Budget, Levy Schedule

The Executive Director provided the 2010 Budget, Levy Schedule.

Commissioner Bachio made a motion to approve the 2010 Budget, Levy Schedule. Commissioner Ochsenschlager seconded and the motion passed.

Relative to the budget, the Executive Director looked for input from the board on

- 1) contract for employment of the Executive Director to be prepared by Management Solutions; and
- 2) Salary increases for fulltime staff of 2% to 3%.

Commissioners Comments/Questions

Possibility of resealing and striping the sports complex? Director will obtain cost;

Completion of the middle school gym for use? Hopefully available in month of September;

Quantity of registrations for Park District programs? Some programs going, others not and some new offerings;

Possibility of co-programming with KYSO, a recreational soccer program which is parent coached;

If grant to Para Transit was renewed, then Park District to remind residents of available service; and

Is Walnut Woods Park still maintained by the Park District? Yes.

7. Meeting Adjournment

Commissioner Becker made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Carmody seconded. President Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:45pm.