

REGULAR BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Kankakee Valley Park District of Kankakee County, Illinois was held on Monday August 24, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. at Bird Park Fieldhouse, Kankakee, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by President Hollis and roll call was taken.

The following Commissioners were present:

Tucker
Skelly
Cooper
Mullady
Hollis

Staff attending the meeting were Attorney John Coghlan, Roy Collins, Kati Vaughn and Rick Hassett.

Press Present: NONE

Public Present: NONE

Commissioner Cooper led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment: NONE

Communications:

- A. Catholic Charities – A thank you letter was received by Catholic Charities for donating four Ice Valley passes to their Back to School Fair. The event was held at Olivet Nazarene University. School supply packets were furnished to 991 students from low income families in Kankakee and Iroquois Counties.
- B. Community Art Council – A thank you letter was received for setting up bleachers and tables at their annual Strawberry Jazz Festival and donating the Civic Auditorium for the event.

Motion by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Cooper to receive the consent agenda.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Tucker	Aye
Skelly	Aye
Cooper	Aye
Mullady	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Motion made by Commissioner Skelly, seconded by Commissioner Mullady to approve consent agenda.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Tucker	Aye
Skelly	Aye
Cooper	Aye
Mullady	Aye
Hollis	Aye

On motion by Commissioner Tucker seconded by Commissioner Mullady, and carried the following actions were taken:

- (A) Minutes of last meeting (ACTION)
- (B) Financial Statements (ACTION)
- (C) Bills Payable (ACTION)

Old Business: NONE

New Business:

- A. Jeffers Park/District 111 Agreement – This was presented at Committee. The agreement is for usage of Jeffers Park during the 2015-2016 school year in exchange for preservation and labor. Staff recommends to approve the agreement.

Motion made by Commissioner Skelly, seconded by Commissioner Mullady to approve Item A, Jeffers Park/District 111 Agreement, as read.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Tucker	Aye
Skelly	Aye
Cooper	Aye
Mullady	Aye
Hollis	Aye

- B. Banking Signature Resolution – This was presented at Committee. Staff recommends to approve the three signatories for Municipal Bank checking account for the KVPD.

Motion made by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Cooper to approve Item B, Banking Signature Resolution, as read.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Tucker	Aye
Skelly	Aye
Cooper	Aye

Mullady Aye
Hollis Aye

C. Band Shell Request – This was presented at Committee. The request is for a benefit at the Bird Park pavilion and band shell on Memorial Day weekend in 2016. Riverside Resolve will be required to keep access open to emergency vehicles and boaters. Collins recommends to approve the Band Shell Request for Riverside Resolve.

Motion made by Commissioner Skelly, seconded by Commissioner Tucker to approve the Band Shell Request as presented.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Tucker Aye
Skelly Aye
Cooper Aye
Mullady Aye
Hollis Aye

Kati Vaughn presented the Recreation Department Report.

Sam Jordan attended the Overtime Bears camp with Loren Petrakis and Ron Jackson. He has also been working on schedules for the fall softball leagues.

Todd Poole conducted a de-briefing meeting with School District 111 regarding the Summer Enrichment Camp. They served 52 kids and all showed improvement. They are excited to hold this camp again next year. Todd and Andrew Maronich attended the school district's Back to School Bash. They represented the Park District with games and activities.

Steve Gilbert was proud to announce that the lifeguards had their final Ellis Audit at the beginning of the month, which resulted in another "exceeding expectations." Once again Splash Valley will receive platinum status, which is the highest status possible for lifeguards.

Splash Valley's final day was a huge success. There were approximately \$1,800 in coupons used and over \$8,000 in cash and credit cards received.

Andrew Maronich is scheduling hockey games for fall and winter. He has four games scheduled for Eastern Illinois University and two games for Lewis University. The Coyote and Irish will have a full schedule this year. Andrew is working on lesson plans for Hockey Classes, as he is taking over the Hockey Director position.

Sam Jordan was recognized by Empowering Men Network for his leadership role with our local youth. Katie contacted 2 architects to meet and discuss the Splash Valley renovation project.

Superintendent of Finance, Rick Hassett, presented the Finance/HR report.

A lot of this month was spent preparing the budget, which was presented at the budget hearing. Rick made the Board aware that they are welcome to discuss the budget in his office, if needed. Rick worked the Bears Camp, with other KVPD staff, promoting the new app for Kankakee County Convention and Visitors Bureau. Two meetings were held with Municipal Bank to set up the Debt Services Fund Bank Account. A meeting was held with Resources on the FY 2014 Audit, FY 2015 Actuals and FY 2016 Budget.

Roy Collins presented the Executive Director report.

A meeting was held with a KCC housing group concerning potential student housing to be built near Ice Valley for KCC student athletes. It is very early in the project, but after they have more specifics, Collins asked them to present it to the Board of Directors. Another meeting was held with a KCC construction group. They proposed building a small log cabin, which the KVPD could rent out. The group needs hours of hands-on experience and they would donate the labor. Collins proposed building the shower house, in addition to the cabin, and KVPD would assist with purchasing the materials. Mayor Epstein invited Collins to speak at a Community event held at the Rec Center that involved youth programming. Collins and Kati Vaughn met with architects to research different designs for the lazy river and slides. PDRMA is coming back on Sept. 8th for a final visit; therefore, the rest of the month will be spent wrapping up loose ends. KVPD is hoping to receive a level "A" status. Collins has given maintenance a goal to mulch ten parks a year for the next 3 years. They have already begun this project. Maintenance has repaired all water fountains at our parks. Miller has given the green light to resurface the basketball courts at Jeffers Park and it should be completed this fall.

KCCVB Report –Staff has been busy this month at Olivet promoting Kankakee County and their new app.

Historical Society Report- Commissioner Skelly reported the Voices from the Past Cemetery Walk was held yesterday at Mound Grove Cemetery and it went well.

SRA Report – President Hollis reported the SRA is ready to go to move forward with Board training. The summer programs were successful. The SRA will update as they transition to take on more learning disabled children in the area high schools.

Commissioners Forum: NONE

On motion by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Cooper to adjourn.

On roll call was as follows

Tucker	Aye
Skelly	Aye
Cooper	Aye
Mullady	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Alfred Hollis – President

Lisa Cooper – Secretary