



# **Kankakee Valley**

## **PARK DISTRICT**

### **Kankakee Valley Park District Board of Commissioners Meeting August 26, 2019**

The Board Meeting was called to order at 5pm by President Spriggs. Those present for roll call were Commissioners D. Mullady, D. Palmer, A. Hollis, D. Skelly (arrived at 5:04pm), and B. Spriggs. Staff present: Executive Director, Dayna Heitz; Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds, Rick Collins; Attorney John Coghlan; Superintendent of Recreation, Melissa Woodard.

Public Present: Bob Schneider, Mike Kramer, James Smith

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

James Smith: Part of We Stand for Christ. Wanted to thank the Park District and Board for allowing them to do the lunch program at Pioneer Park. This summer they served 2081 kids in a 9-week period. Would like to do this again next summer. Is there something we can do at Pioneer Park to get the kids involved in an activity? Something to keep the kids at the park. Commissioner Hollis thanked them for doing this and stated they are providing a great service. We welcome your ideas for activities at Pioneer Park.

Judge Mike Kramer: Here to talk about pickleball. There are people that play in town at the Y and in Chebanse. Think the fenced in area at Beckman would be a great area for pickleball. Also, indoor pickleball is huge. The YMCA marks the court with painters' tape. People know to bring their own nets that they set up themselves.

Commissioner Skelly arrived at 5:04pm

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Communications are in your board packet and an article on the renaming of the park. Commissioner Spriggs and Hollis said Friday night the renaming was a great night.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Consent agenda for Monday, August 26, 2019 consists of board, committee minutes, executive session minutes (not available for public viewing) bills payable, and financial statements.

A motion to receive consent agenda was made by Commissioner Hollis, seconded by Commissioner Mullady. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Mullady, D. Palmer, A. Hollis, D. Skelly, and B. Spriggs. With 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

A motion to approve consent agenda was made by Commissioner Hollis, seconded by Commissioner Spriggs. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Mullady, D. Palmer, A. Hollis, D. Skelly, and B. Spriggs. With 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

A motion to approve Committee Meeting Minutes (June 10, 2019), Board Meeting Minutes (June 24, 2019), Executive Session (July 8 & 22-not for public viewing) was made by Commissioner Hollis seconded by Commissioner Palmer. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Mullady, D. Palmer, A. Hollis, D. Skelly, and B. Spriggs. With 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Discussion transpired before a motion was on the table for item D, E; bills payable and the financial statement. Commissioner Mullady wants to know why it's showing 0 next to some for payroll. Director Heitz said its direct deposit and that's how our system shows it. Direct deposit goes to the bank and then is distributed. Commissioner Mullady would like to see July electric bill for Ice Valley. Consent Agenda items D & E; bills payable and financial statements will be approved at next board meeting.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Mutual Termination of Legal Service Agreement**

A motion to approve the mutual termination of legal services from Marek, Meyer, & Coghlan was made by Commissioner Hollis, seconded by Commissioner Spriggs. Upon voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

### **Housing Authority**

Attorney Coghlan spoke with the Housing Authority attorney. They are going to get the numbers on rent collected. They would like to purchase the land. We want to know how much they are getting for a lease. They said they aren't making any money on it. Commissioner Palmer said just because it shows they aren't making money, that doesn't mean there hasn't been money diverted.

### **Splash Valley**

No update at this time. Permitting was submitted to the state. Mechanical Inc was out to look around. They might be a sub for Leopardo.

Commissioner Mullady asked how things recirculate? Like the lady that had the tree at Pearl. As per stated in the meeting when Ms. Janice was here, Rick was there that day and said we would take care of it in the fall. Ms. Janice stated she was fine with the fall and understood. Operational follow-up will be in Friday report if warranted. If its board related it will be in packet for next meeting discussion.

### **Board Policy**

Will ask for approval on it at the September board meeting.

### **KCC Fitness Center**

No update at this time.

### **Butterflied Softball Field #4**

No update at this time.

### **45/52 Sign**

No update. Still working with another potential sponsor for this.

### **Cell Towers**

No update at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Employee Policy Manual**

Started updating the employee policy manual. Mostly just the language being updated. A couple policies are being updated because they haven't in several years.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **Executive Director**

Commissioner Palmer asked about page 88. Do we sweep that account? Yes. Moved from Illinois Funds because it matched and keeps it in Kankakee.

The County will be upgrading their pumps. They believe everyone should contribute to the project. Will be invoiced after upgrades completed.

Letter going out to Steve at the Union. Letter basically states that the contract expires and we are requesting a meeting to negotiate. Requested that Mike Smith not be our contact. Also sending them negotiation ground rules.

Director Heitz would like to work with a different attorney for the union negotiations. Commissioner Hollis suggested adding this on the committee agenda to bring to the board for approval.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **KCCVB Report**

Director Heitz: Do not have any settlement with Bradley yet. Marketing of the county will be slim.

### **Historical Society Report**

Commissioner Spriggs: Meeting will be this Wednesday. They had an event on Sunday that was successful.

### **SRA**

Commissioner Hollis: They are in limbo of trying to find someone to do the Recreation which is a part time position. The mouse race is coming up. It's a fundraiser for the foundation.

## **COMMISSIONERS FORUM**

Commissioner Spriggs said time to evaluate our performance of the Director. Would like it back by September 15.

Commissioner Hollis has gotten a lot of calls giving kudos for the celebration for the Bert Dear renaming. That event brought the community together. Commissioner Spriggs said the Bert Dear Sr. dedication was great. Director Heitz did receive a call from Steve Hunter about how good it was and how it's all over social media. Wants to set up a meeting to discuss lighting at some parks.

Commissioner Palmer said he is getting questions about the shuffleboard. Director Heitz said we still need to paint the lines and seal it. Something has to cover it while the its wet to keep the surface protected.

## **ADJOURN MEETING**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 5:55pm by Commissioner Spriggs, seconded by Commissioner Hollis. Upon voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

## **OFFICIAL REPORTS:**

1. Committee Meeting Minutes (July 8, 2019)
2. Board Meeting Minutes (July 22, 2019)

3. Bills Payable
4. Financial Statements

Respectfully submitted: Melissa Woodard