

Kankakee Valley Park District Board of Commissioners Meeting October 28, 2019

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

Public Present: Raphaliata McKenzie (Speer Financial), Doug Jones, Sheree Wertz, Mrs. Wertz

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sheree Wertz: Have concerns with the ice rink and figure skating. Daughter has been skating for over 9 years. When Dayna was hired things were really good but with the board it has changed. Recently, been hearing comments and kept hearing a certain name come up. Found out that person was on the board. Comments were regarding the figure skaters needing to generate more income. They need to hold fundraisers if they want certain things. Had a fundraiser to get the harness. She asked Commissioner Mullady, what your agenda is for getting on the board? Think that Angie and Dayna have done a great job. It's never ran better or looked better. Dayna has bent over backwards to make hockey and figure skating go better. No issues but why is there always something coming up about figure skating. She has spent a lot of money and just keep hearing that figure skate doesn't generate as much as hockey. Wonder what the board has to say about someone on the board not supporting the community and the programs. Commissioner Mullady said look at the financials. Every rink that accommodates figure skating gets less time than hockey because hockey generates more. Commissioner Spriggs said we will address this at a later date. Sheree said that's fine but hopefully you can keep it internally instead of out in the public.

Doug Jones with Housing Authority. Trying to resolve the issue with the day care. Gave a copy of the appraisal they had done.

COMMUNICATIONS

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CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda for Monday, October 28, 2019 consists of board, committee minutes, executive session minutes (not available for public viewing), 6-month review of executive session minutes, bills payable, and financial statements.

A motion to receive 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 (September 9, 2019), board meeting minutes (September 23, 2019), executive session minutes (September 9, 2019-not for public view), and 6-month review of executive session minutes was made by Commissioner Hollis, seconded by Commissioner Spriggs. Discussion: Commissioner Skelly said there is a lot of minutes on the books. Think a lot of those could be released. Maybe we could talk about them sooner than 6 more months away to release them. 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 bills payable and financial statement for July 2019 and bills payable and financial statement for September 2019 was made by Commissioner Hollis, seconded by Commissioner Spriggs. Discussion: Commissioner Palmer gave an example of another park district's format and think it would be a valuable way to review the financial statements. Will review bills paid but won't approve financial statements? Director Heitz said we are approving the financials for July because questions were asked before we took a roll call at that meeting. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: A. Hollis, D. Skelly, and B. Spriggs. The following Commissioners voted nay: D. Mullady, D. Palmer. With 3 ayes, 2 nays, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Old Fair/Housing Authority

A motion to approve the appraisal for Old Fair/Housing Authority in the amount of \$3000 was made by Commissioner Skelly, seconded by Commissioner Spriggs. Discussion: Recommend that we not approve the appraisal because we now have a copy of their appraisal. This was done August 31, 2018. Commissioner Mullady asked how long the appraisal will be good for? Don't think anything would have changed in the value of the land. Commissioner Hollis thinks we need to go ahead and accept the \$10,000. The day care provides a service to the community. Commissioner Spriggs agrees with that. Attorney Freeman said the board can give Director Heitz direction. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: none. The

following Commissioners voted nay: D. Mullady, D. Palmer, A. Hollis, D. Skelly, and B. Spriggs. With 0 ayes, 5 nays, motion failed.

Attorney Freeman asked if you want to give her Director to move forward with the sale? Commissioner Palmer said we have a 40-year lease for which we receive \$1. We should give consideration to get a fair deal, in whatever that may be. Commissioner Hollis said we have been dealing with this for a while. We need to pick our battles. If we go with their appraisal, we are getting more than that. To even consider moving them would be a slap in the face to them. Commissioner Palmer disagrees with taking the \$10,000. Commissioners Spriggs and Hollis agree with \$10,000. Commissioner Skelly sees the point in cutting ties. Don't want to share cost. Hard time arguing the 40 years for \$1. Commissioner Mullady neutral on the topic. Just want fair market price. Not sure how accurate the appraisal is. Commissioner Hollis thinks we need to give Dayna direction to move forward with the sale. Attorney Freeman said no action is being taken tonight. Just giving direction to move forward to put on the agenda where the board can take a vote. Commissioner Palmer asked what a land lease means and what is required to them? Attorney Freeman said now that the lease is expired the District can move forward with eviction. That would be a legal problem and a political problem. Commissioner Palmer said legally the park district has standing to evict them. Think \$10,000 is low. Commissioner Hollis said right now for us to even be bringing this up is not good. Commissioner Skelly said he saw Mr. Jones yesterday. Was hoping he would talk a little more tonight. He was talking a lot about the deal and HUD. Anytime they have to do work, they have to talk to HUD. Don't think we want to get involved in that. Maybe a meeting with them would be an option?

Splash Valley-Groundbreaking November 13, 2019

Director Heitz said the groundbreaking will be November 13, 2019 at 3pm. Will have refreshments afterwards at Ice Valley. Commissioners requested invites be sent to blue ribbon committee.

Board Policy

On hold.

KCC Fitness Center

On hold.

Butterfield Softball Field #4-Sponsor Agreement

Director Heitz and President Spriggs met with KGSSL. Director Heitz said they are going to be a regular sponsor group. We will no longer cut the grass on field 4 and inside the fields or the

outside. Commissioner Spriggs said we had a meeting and found common ground. Rick won't have to mow 6 extra acres.

45/52 Sign

Working on a design and then will see how it will look with their sign or removal of part of the sign.

Cell Towers

On hold.

Employee Policy Manual

On hold.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance #1.92 Bond Series 2019B

Director Heitz read the ordinance. A motion to approve Ordinance #1.92 Bond Series 2019B was made Commissioner Skelly, seconded by Commissioner Spriggs. Discussion. Speer Financial: The District had a bond sale last week. 2019B bonds is to pay prior obligations and provide some capital funds as well. It came from McHenry Bank and their interest rate was 2.99%. Commissioner Palmer said after we pay back the principal, how much would we net for capital? About \$85,000. Director Heitz said it is earmarked for capital. It will go for Ice Valley compressors. Commissioner Palmer is struggling to see where tax money is coming in and bond payments come in. Director Heitz said it is all separate. It has to be for the auditors. 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.

Selection of IAPD Delegates 2020

A motion to select IAPD Delegates 2020 was made by Commissioner Skelly, seconded by Commissioner Mullady. Director Heitz said need to have delegates names and it needs to be sent in to have votes at the meeting. Need to know which commissioner will want to go to conference. Tabled until next meeting.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director

Director Heitz: Report is included in board packet. Updates: Did put in the fish habitats on Friday. If you want to see any emails between us and hockey league, let me know. Combined meeting in November. It's the 3rd Monday because of the holiday. Did receive our first rebate from our new credit card.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

KCCVB Report

Director Heitz: No update.

Historical Society Report

Commissioner Spriggs: Meeting last Wednesday. No more talk about expansion.

SRA

Commissioner Hollis: Meeting was cancelled until next month.

COMMISSIONERS FORUM

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive session for the purposes of personnel matters 5 ILCS 120/1 (C) 1

A motion to go into executive session at 5:54pm was made by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Hollis. 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.

Back in open session at 6:15 pm. Commissioner Hollis left the meeting at 6:20pm Discussion ensued regarding hockey club and Ice rink.

ADJOURN MEETING

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 6:25pm by Commissioner Palmer, seconded by Commissioner Spriggs. Upon voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

OFFICIAL REPORTS:

- 1. Committee Meeting Minutes (September 9, 2019)
- 2. Board Meeting Minutes (September 23, 2019)
- 3. Bills Payable July & September
- 4. Financial Statements July & September
- 5. Appraisal for Housing Authority
- 6. Ordinance 1.92 Series 2019B
- 7. IAPD Delegate

Respectfully submitted: Melissa Woodard