Kankakee Valley Park District  
Board Meeting  
March 27, 2017

The Board Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by President Hollis. Those present for roll call were Commissioner A. Hollis, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, and D. Skelly. Those absent were Commissioner L. Cooper. Staff present: Director Heitz, Superintendent of Building & Grounds Collins, Superintendent of Recreation Woodard, Attorney Coghlan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT
NA

COMMUNICATIONS
Written: There was an article in the opinions section of the paper regarding Splash Valley.

CONSENT AGENDA
Consent agenda for Monday, March 27, 2017 consists of board, committee, and executive session minutes, bills payable, financial statement, Williams Architects agreement, and Piggush property transfer.

A. A motion to accept the consent agenda for the Board Minutes of February 27, 2017 was made by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Tucker. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

A motion to approve the Board Minutes of February 27, 2017 was made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Mullady. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

B. A motion to accept the consent agenda for the Executive Session minutes of February 27, 2017 was made by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Hollis. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

A motion to approve Executive Session not for public view of February 27, 2017, was made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Mullady. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.
C. A motion to accept the consent agenda for the Committee Minutes of March 13, 2017 was made by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Hollis. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

A motion to approve the Committee Minutes of March 13, 2017 was made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Mullady. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

D. A motion to accept the consent agenda for bills payable was made by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Hollis. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

A motion to approve the bills payable was made by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Hollis. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

E. A motion to accept the consent agenda for the financial statements was made by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Hollis. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

A motion to approve the financial statements was made by Commissioner Mullady, seconded by Commissioner Hollis. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

F. A motion to amend item F to action item was made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Mullady. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

A motion to approve the consent agenda for the Williams Architects/Aquatics Splash Valley A&E Service Agreement was made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Hollis. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

Discussion: Commissioner Tucker asked if that was for the hiring of the architects. Director Heitz said yes, this is for a conceptual design. Commissioner Tucker asked if there was a timeline yet. No. Commissioner Tucker asked once things get going, will we have access to
have a representative to keep us updated. The public needs to be aware as well. Director Heitz will check on how many meetings they will have. One meeting is with her to go over the round table discussion and surveys and the walk through of the site. Williams is excellent at communicating and the proposal includes at least one meeting with the committee.

Commissioner Skelly asked if they would revive the lazy river and assess what we already have. Director Heitz said it could cost $20,000-$30,000 more to get some of those answers. Commissioner Skelly asked if he at least look at the possibility of fixing it. Then we can say we actually looked into it and how much it would cost to fix it. Visual inspection or whatever it is. Maybe he can tell us if it’s worth fixing it or not. Conceptual design would also be able to be put forward to get the financing for the project. Director Heitz stated we will know more when we have a walk through with aquatic engineers/architects.

Commissioner Tucker asked if we can use the plan to get donors. Yes, the same plan that would be used to get grants.

A motion to accept the Williams Architects and Aquatics Splash Valley A&E Service Agreement was made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Mullady. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

G. A motion to accept the consent agenda for the Piggish/Glady property transfer was made by Commissioner Skelly, seconded by Commissioner Mullady. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

Discussion: They sent through the property design. Looking for an additional 2 feet. They can’t move forward without this. Commissioner Tucker wanted clarification of the extra 2 feet they would like. Is this a donation? Attorney Coghlan said when they built the buildings several years ago the original plats are diagonal instead of straight to the river. They have been in that property for many years. Bottom line is if we wanted to litigate this, they would have a good claim and have used it for many years. We are just making a correction so that the actual legal description of the deed accurately derived where the building has been.

A motion to approve the Piggish/Glady property transfer was made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Hollis. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voted aye: D. Skelly, D. Tucker, M. Mullady, A. Hollis. Not present: L. Cooper. With 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS
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NEW BUSINESS

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STAFF REPORTS
Executive Director
NSA Officials Agreement - Included is the NSA agreement. Nothing has changed from the previous year. NSA provides us with umpires for the softball games.

NIAA Fishing Derby
This is April 1 at the Quarry. All that we do is open the Quarry Building, unlock the fence and provide a coffee pot.

Whippet Racing Email
Received an email about a dog race. Set up around the campground and they allowed the dogs to race. We are supposed to contact KCC because they race on the path. In the past they said they would be provided a port o let, water, etc. Commissioner Hollis and the other commissioners said this has never gone through to the board before, if it has been done in the past. Commissioner Skelly asked if we could charge them. Commissioner Mullady said why would we contact KCC? They would be charged for campground usage. They would rather be in the parking lot by River Road by where the dog park is. Commissioner Hollis would like them to get back to us with more information. Port o lets would be out there by the softball fields. If they want one, they will have to pay.

Audit Services RFP
Proposal for Audits services. List of firms is in the area that we will mail the proposal packages too. This would be for 2017, 2018, and 2019 audit.

City of Kankakee Liquor License
We are renewing Rec Center and River Road now. Ice Valley will be later.

Superintendent Collins said tomorrow we break ground on the playground at Cobb Park. Equipment is here. Kenneth Construction will be installing it and Collins will be over there overseeing.

Director Heitz has closed on her new home in Kankakee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
KCCVB Report
Lisa is Absent No Report

Historical Society Report
Nothing to report. Everything is going fine.

SRA Report
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SRA did have a meeting and talked about the foundation. It’s up and running. They have gotten more donations and 501C3. There are some grants that are being applied for. Also, the SRA is reaching out to the community about Momence joining the SRA possibly. They want to wait until after the election because they are getting new commissioners. Also had some discussion about reaching out to Manteno as well. Did let them know that Commissioner Hollis and Tucker has no interest in leaving the SRA.

**COMMISSIONERS FORUM**
Commissioner Skelly asked if we can amend the agenda and approve the boat club agreement. They are in the planning stage and would like to know if they can proceed. Could we do this Wednesday at the special meeting or before the special meeting? They will do everything. Put up Saturday morning and tear down Sunday morning. Commissioner Mullady asked if we would have any resistance from people who have boat slips. Commissioner Skelly said they aren’t restricting access or anything in the parking lot. Commissioner Hollis asked if there would be access to the boat ramp. Every ramp is still available. Director Heitz will check Dates.

Commissioner Tucker said he has seen a couple of maintenance guys working with community service workers. He liked seeing that and getting the community involved.

Commissioner Hollis attended a meeting with Second Baptist church. They would like to bring in a festival to Pioneer Park this summer to bring unity to the community. It would be called Kankakee County Love and Unity Festival from August 4-6. They are a nonprofit group. Also have another organizations that wants to help. They would have insurance and would list us a secondary. They will do clean up, etc. They will get everything written up and bring paperwork to us. Great thing for community and the kids. They will want to meet with Director Heitz and then bring everything to the board.

Commissioner Mullady got a call from a Dennis Wiley. Wants to do a fishing tournament for the kids. Can fish from shoreline with parents. Everyone would have to use kids fishing pole. Every rod that is used would be donated. The pavilion by the boat launch at Bird Park. Once they get further in the planning stages, will bring this to the Director. Probably on a Saturday or when the kids are out of school. They are trying to get a donations. Could we donate the pavilion? They will be paying for trophies out of pocket.

Commissioner Hollis said the agreement with the BMX track is up. The contact for BMX has talked about renewing that agreement. He saw that there is a lot of stuff in there. He could get all that out at their expense. Wanted to know if we wanted to renew the agreement? Commissioner Skelly said it’s a bunch of guys that raced when they were kids. Want to relive what they used to do? How long has it been? About 4 years. Commissioner Mullady asked if there were some issues with it butting up against wetlands. They had great intentions but it hasn’t moved forward. Director Heitz will pull the file because there were EPA issues.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**
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ADJOURN MEETING
A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 5:45pm by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Mullady. Upon voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

OFFICIAL REPORTS:
1. Board Meeting Minutes February 27, 2017
2. Committee Meeting Minutes March 13, 2017
3. Bills Payable
4. Financial Statements
5. Williams Architects/Aquatics Splash Valley A&E Service Agreement
6. Piggish/Glady Property Transfer
7. Executive Director Report

Respectfully submitted: Melissa Woodard