

REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Kankakee Valley Park District of Kankakee County, Illinois was held on Tuesday, February 17, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. at the Bird Park Fieldhouse, Kankakee, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Mullady and roll call was taken.

The following Commissioners were present and constitute a quorum:

Mullady
Collins
Grill
Gathing
Hollis

Staff attending the meeting was Jim Romanek, Renee Chavez, John Bessette, John Coghlan, Jennifer Ledden, Brandon Meredith.

Members of the public present: None

Press present: None

Commissioner Grill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Mullady asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none.

Romanek noted the communications items. Romanek added a communication item to the agenda.

On motion by Commissioner Hollis, seconded by Commissioner Collins to receive the Consent Agenda:

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Mullady	Aye
Collins	Aye
Grill	Aye
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye

On motion by Commissioner Grill, seconded by Commissioner Gathing, and carried the following actions were taken:

- (A) Minutes of the January 20, 2009 Meeting.
- (B) Financial Statements for December 2009 and January 2009.
- (C) Bills Payable.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Mullady	Aye
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Collins	Aye
Grill	Aye
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Romanek updated the Commissioners on the status of the Attitude & Interest Survey. Final tabulations will be presented to staff and Commissioners at the March 3, 2009 Committee Meeting. Commissioner Grill inquired about the Cell Tower Agreements. Romanek informed him that we have begun receiving commission payment on the tower in Aroma Park. No other towers have been constructed as of yet.

Romanek presented the notice from the IL Department of Revenue concerning the CPI changes. The change is significantly lower than current figures. The change will not affect us until next year. It was noted that lobbyists will be requesting a bottom out figure which will be much higher than the current projection.

Bessette reported that most of the filters at Splash Valley have been completed. They will begin some cosmetic work next. Not all the brush has been able to be removed from the parks as of yet. The wet ground conditions are holding them up. Bessette further reported that he is continuing his search for a backhoe to purchase within the budget limits. So far all the prices are coming in thousands of dollars higher than we can spend.

Chavez reported that Season Pass holders will not be allowed to enter the park 30 minutes early this year. Commissioner asked if this would cause a lot of unhappy customers this year. Chavez stated that it most likely would until they got used to it. It was difficult to control the lines and daily paying customers would get upset if they could not enter when pass holders did. Commissioner Grill inquired as to why everyone would be getting ID'd for alcohol purchases. Chavez reported that it is required to ID everyone. We would also take it a step further by putting wristbands on those that were ID'd. It helps reduce the liability we could face if we did not ID and sold alcohol to someone underage.

Meredith highlighted the CPI changes for next year. He will be looking at preparing the budget a little differently due to those changes. The financial statements may look a little funny for a month or two while he works with our auditors on reclassifying some things and getting them into the proper places. A draft of the audit was provided to them today. Overall it came out pretty good. There are a few internal control issues that are being worked on. Based on our size, that makes it a little harder, but the issues will be addressed and corrected. Meredith further reported that he has every intention of presenting the Splash Valley budget to at the next committee meeting. He is also looking at the Investment Policy in hopes of being able to move some things around to help us earn more interest on our investments. He will also be looking into writing and gaining approval on a Targeted Fund Balance Policy.

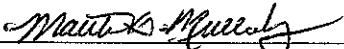
Romanek reported that he has met with the City engineers to discuss the assistance they may be able to provide in the construction of the soccer fields at River Road. A letter has been sent to Bennett Commercial Group requesting that Valspar donate or allow purchase of the facility they have available for a nominal fee. Construction for the Riverfront Trail should begin this year. We have begun meeting with potential vendors to provide webhosting and IT support. We are looking for someone to replace our current IT support company. Romanek noted that PDRMA has expressed concern about the police officers we hire as security being allowed to carry their weapons on the pool deck. PDRMA recommends we look into other security options other than

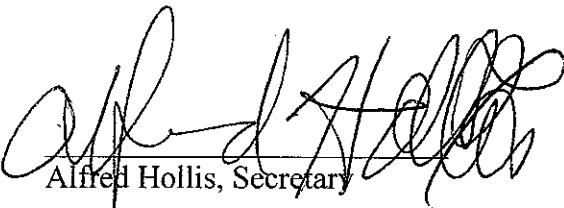
police with guns. PDRMA sees this as a possible liability issue. PDRMA has also expressed concern because we hire them as employees; we would be liable for 100% of their workman compensation if they were injured while working at Splash Valley. Romanek has met with Sargent Foster and shared these concerns with him. Sargent Foster will bring these concerns to the Chief and see what kind of arrangement we can work out. Discussion regarding these issues took place by the Commissioners. Commissioner Hollis strongly felt that we look into outside security services if carrying weapons on the pool deck was going to be an issue with PDRMA.

On motion by Commissioner Grill, seconded by Commissioner Hollis to adjourn the meeting:

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Collins	Aye
Mullady	Aye
Grill	Aye
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye


Matt Mullady, President


Alfred Hollis, Secretary