

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, January 20, 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 Gathing, seconded by Commissioner Hollis 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 December 8, 2008 Meeting.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Mullady	Aye
Collins	Aye
Grill	Aye

Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Romanek reported on the visit to the Valspar building that has become available. It was discovered during the last viewing of the facility that there may be some asbestos tiles in the front offices and some of the pipe insulation has a warning label that it contains asbestos. We would receive more disclosure if we proceed with the acquisition of the property. We will be writing a letter requesting that the property be donated or sold at a nominal fee. Meredith feels that it is a nice building, but the environmental factors may be an issue down the road. Bessette also feels that it is a nice building and that we should proceed with trying to acquire it. Romanek noted that the initial intent would be programming and storage with other possibilities down the road.

Romanek inquired if all Commissioners had received their Conference and Hotel information.

Romanek presented the Leaf Agreement with the City of Kankakee. All parties wish to renew the agreement. The changes include; updates to the City of Kankakee's address, dates and added that we would be allowed to use the leaf collecting equipment at the end of the season.

On motion by Commissioner Hollis, seconded by Commissioner Gathing to approve the Leaf Agreement with the City of Kankakee:

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Collins	Aye
Mullady	Aye
Grill	Aye
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Commissioner Mullady thanked the Commissioners and staff for their support when his mother passed away a few weeks ago. It was the request of the family that memorials be made in his mother's name to the Foundation.

Bessette reported that snow removal was keeping his staff busy right now. They will start working on brush removal and damaged tree cleanup as soon as they can. Bessette reported on the issue with the sprinklers at the Ice Rink. It turns out that the pipes froze, causing them to burst when they started to thaw. He will be working with mechanical engineers and the architect to discover why the furnace keeps shutting down on high limit.

Chavez reported that due to the weather, several classes were cancelled for the night. Dodgeball has started and we will be trying a new Spring Softball League. Many new classes start this week as well.

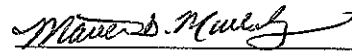
Romanek reported on the KCCVB office move. He will be meeting with the Mayor in regards to obtaining assistance from the City to develop some property around Splash Valley into an outdoor soccer complex. Romanek reported that Joe Walz has notified him that the Kankakee Valley Park District has an agreement with the Regatta Committee in regards to the services we provide during the Regatta. 2009 will be the final year of that agreement. We are unable to locate a copy of the agreement in the office. Joe Walz is supposed to be providing us a copy of that agreement. Amudsen Inc is still working on the final report for the Attitude and Interest Survey. They will present to the Board when completed. It is their hope to have that ready at the

February Board Meeting. Bishop McNamera has asked for changes to the usage agreement that have with us. They are looking for an alternative to providing infield mix. Romanek will work with them on a reasonable alternative. The Foundation has decided not to hold a golf outing this year. They will be looking for alternative fund raising events.

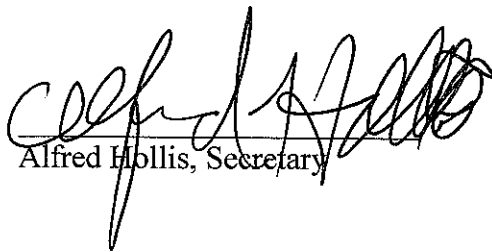
On motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Grill to adjourn the meeting:

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Collins	Aye
Mullady	Aye
Grill	Aye
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye



Matt Mullady, President



Alfred Hollis, Secretary