

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 Monday March 16, 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 Collins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Romanek noted the communications items.

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

- (A) Minutes of the February 17, 2009 Meeting.
- (B) Financial Statements for February 2009.
- (C) Bills Payable.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Mullady	Aye
Collins	Ave

Grill	Aye
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Romanek presented the Commissioners the final report from the Attitude & Interest Survey.

On motion by Commissioner Gathing, seconded by Commissioner Collins to accept the final draft of the Attitude and Interest Survey Report,

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Mullady	Aye
Collins	Aye
Grill	Aye
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Romanek presented the Farm Lease. The lease was presented and approved at Committee.

On motion by Commissioner Grill, seconded by Commissioner Gathing to approve the Farm Lease,

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Mullady	Aye
Collins	Aye
Grill	Aye
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Romanek presented the MPI Contract. The contract was presented and approved at Committee,

On motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Hollis to approve the MPI Contract,

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Mullady	Aye
Collins	Aye
Grill	Aye
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Romanek presented the Cell Phone Policy as presented at Committee. Commissioner Grill stated that he felt the policy should be broader and allow Management to change the number of minutes allowed without having to modify and re-present the policy to the Board. Romanek stated that he would do so with approval. Coghlan stated that without specific amounts of minutes listed, it could make it difficult to enforce the policy. Grill recommended a written procedure on the number of minutes, and the policy could refer to the procedure. Management could then change the procedure without affecting the policy. Coghlan asked if we should approve the policy, or withdraw it and rewrite.

On motion by Commissioner Gathing, seconded by Commissioner Hollis to approve the Cell Phone Policy as presented,

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Mullady	Aye
Collins	Abstain
Grill	Nay
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Romanek presented the Audit Report. Meredith met with Carmen from the Auditors office to discuss her findings. Some internal items were brought up and are in the process of being reviewed and modified. If the Commissioners have any additional questions, they are more then welcome to call or email Meredith. Commissioner Grill asked that the Audit Report be discussed at Committee for any follow up questions.

On motion by Commissioner Grill, seconded by Commissioner Gathing to approve the Audit Report,

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Mullady	Aye
Collins	Aye
Grill	Aye
Gathing	Aye
Hollis	Aye

Besette presented his report. The pavilion in Bird Park by the boat ramp should be completed be the end of the week. Commissioner Grill asked is there was any damages from the recent flooding. Besette replied that there was just debris, no real damange. Besette explained the upcoming Comcast Cared Volunteer Day.

Romanek presented some items from Meredith's report.

Romanek touched on a few items in his report. He noted that the River Trail ground breaking ceremony should be in August. A ribbon cutting ceremony will take place once complete. Commissioner Mullady asked if there was anything to pursue with handicap access to the Bird Park building. Romanek noted that he was in the process of that.

Chavez presented the board with a look at the new websites. She also handed out a copy of the orientation packets that new staff would be receiving.

Romanek presented an SRA Report. The SRA building has sustained some wind damage that they are in the process of getting repaired. They are also looking into purchasing a new sign for greater visibility.

Romanek noted that the KCCVB is looking to amend the by-laws.

On motion by Commissioner Gathing, seconded by Commissioner Grill and carried to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel and litigation pursuant to Section 2(C)(5).

All in favor – all ayes.

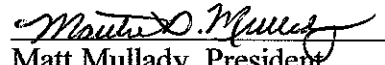
On motion by Commissioner Gathing, seconded by Commissioner Grill to come out of closed session:

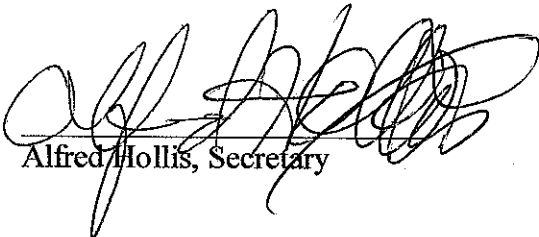
On roll call the vote was as follows:

Gathing	Aye
Mullady	Aye
Grill	Aye
Collins	Aye
Hollis	Aye

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

All in favor – all ayes.


Matt Mullady, President


Alfred Hollis, Secretary