

**BATAVIA PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 18, 2009- BARTHOLOMEW ROOM**

CALL TO ORDER- REGULAR BOARD MEETING- The regular board meeting was called to order by Vice President Behmer at 7:08 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL- President Callahan called for the roll. Commissioners' Callahan, Corken, Foiles and Tilmon were in attendance. Commissioner Behmer was absent. Staff in attendance included Executive Director, Michael Clark; Director of Marketing and Public Relations, Allison Sohr; Director of Parks and Properties, Eric Lacher; Director of Planning and Development, Jim Eby; Director of Leisure Services, Jeff Clark and Director of Museum and Interpretive Services, Carla Hill. Also in attendance was Deanna Kellum, minute's recorder and three representatives from Fox Valley Special Recreation Association.

ITEMS REMOVED/ADDED/CHANGED ON AGENDA- None.

CONSENT AGENDA- President Callahan entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda which included approval of the minutes from the July 21, 2009 Executive Session Meeting; July 21, 2009 Regular Board Meeting and Approval of the Paid and Unpaid Expenditures and the Treasurer's Report. **Motion was made by Tilmon and seconded by Corken to establish the Consent Agenda as presented. The roll was called. Ayes: Tilmon, Corken, Foiles and Callahan. Nays: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Behmer. Motion passed. Motion was made by Foiles and seconded by Tilmon to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The roll was called. Ayes: Foiles, Tilmon, Corken and Callahan. Nays: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Behmer. Motion passed.**

GUEST- MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC- None.

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS- Commissioner Tilmon recognized the Quarry staff for a great job this season.

CORRESPONDENCE- Two letters were received congratulating Carla Hill on a successful Quilt and Textile Show. All correspondence will be placed on file.

ANNOUNCEMENTS- Director Sohr read the announcements.

1. Batavia Parks Foundation has an immediate opening on its board of directors.
2. Sign up for the Batavia Teen Center.
3. Enjoy the new paddle boats located at the Depot Pond.

AFFILIATE REPORTS- Callahan acknowledged receipt of the Batavia Parks Foundation's July minutes.

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STAFF REPORTS- Director Lacher thanked the volunteers from Illinois Math and Science Academy for helping spread mulch at Hawk's Bluff Park on August 14. He also brought to the Board's attention comments made to a local newspaper regarding the graffiti at the skate park. The paper commended the Park District's staff for their quick response to cleaning up the graffiti. He has also received phone calls from residents volunteering to help monitor the park. He then reminded the residents of the Park Watch Program.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT- Executive Director Clark highlighted his previous written reports. No questions were forwarded by the Board.

PRESENTATIONS-

- a. At tonight's meeting was Ellen Lacher, Kristin Voss and Heather Nicols of FVSRA. The three provided a slide presentation of the FVSRA Rising Stars Camp 2nd annual carnival and thanked the Park District for their support.

OLD BUSINESS –

- a. **Policy Discussion-** A second reading of the Administrative Manual section 2.15.1-2.15.6 was conducted. Callahan entertained a motion to approve section 2.15.1-2.15.6 of the Administrative Manual as amended. Motion was made by Foiles, seconded by Corken. **The roll was called. Ayes: Foiles, Corken, Tilmon and Callahan. Nays: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Behmer. Motion passed.**
- b. **Prairie and Lathem Park Renovation Project-** Director Eby updated the Board on the progress being made at Prairie and Lathem Park. Eby brought to the Board's attention a packet of information before their places tonight regarding a water issue at this park site. It seems water is not draining properly in a certain area at the park and will need some additional work done to help drain the water away from the ground's surface. The suggestion being made is to drill 5 holes that will allow the water to drain down to the sand gravel helping it absorb into the ground. The cost will be \$6,165 to do the drilling and restoration of the area. After some discussion the Board came to the consensus to move forward with the recommendation.

NEW BUSINESS –

- a. **Planning Update-** Director Lacher updated the Board. At this time the City is only reviewing one project.
- b. **Approval of Developer Agreement amendment- Coventry Hills Subdivision-** Director Eby updated the Board. Faganal Builders is asking the Park District to grant them permission to extend the timeframe for turning over property to the Park District at Coventry Hills Subdivision. They would like to wait until the last permit has been pulled with the city before triggering the turn over. Discussion ensued. The Board agreed they did not feel comfortable with the recommendation and would like to forward their

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concerns to Legal Counsel Price for his review and re-visit this at next month's board meeting.

- c. NRPA Operating Ration Survey Results and Report-** Executive Director Clark explained the purpose of the report. He stated the report shows the overall position of Batavia Park District compared to other park districts. Per the report Batavia stands very strong overall. At the request of Commissioner Behmer, Executive Director Clark will be highlighting the report and bringing it before the Board at next month's board meeting.

FOX VALLEY SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION- Executive Director Clark updated the Board on the Tee Up for Downs golf outing. He stated they raised over \$23,000 at this year's event.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD- None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- Motion was made by Corken an seconded by Tilmon to adjourn into Executive Session at 7:53 p.m. to discuss Land Acquisition (2)(c)(5).

Motion was made by Tilmon, seconded by Corken to reconvene the regular meeting at 8:40 p.m. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business before the Board, **motion was made by Foiles seconded by Corken to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:40 p.m. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

Secretary, Board of Commissioners
Batavia Park District

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