

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Commissioners of the Zion Park District
Lake County, Illinois held at the Leisure Center
In said District at 7:00 p.m.
On the 19th Day of November, 2015

President Hartmann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for the roll call. The following commissioners were present: Pye, Brown, Magiera, and Buchholtz. Also present for the meeting were: Director of Parks and Recreation Krieger, Superintendent of Administrative Services Bradley, Superintendent of Recreation Petersen, Superintendent of Parks Pushee and Mike Clark.

Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Pye, made a motion to approve the minutes as presented of the Regular meeting held on October 15, 2015 and the minutes of the Personnel and Finance Sub-committee meeting also held on October 15, 2015.

Upon a roll call, Commissioners Brown, Pye, Buchholtz, Magiera and President Hartmann voted aye.

President Hartmann declared the motion carried.

In attendance was Jim Rock from the District's law firm, Ancel Glink. Also in attendance was the District's municipal financial advisor, Dave Phillips, from Speer Financial.

The order of the agenda was changed. Item nine in "New Business" pertaining to Ordinance #820 was moved ahead to follow the commissioners' comments. The revision was necessary so Mr. Phillips could attend another meeting later that evening. Additionally, Director Krieger mentioned that no Executive Session was necessary.

Commissioner Pye commented that the Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon was good and ran smooth. Commissioner Magiera agreed that it was very nice. President Hartmann mentioned that the children's Halloween party, held at the Leisure Center, was packed and he praised the staff on doing a great job.

The District's attorneys thanked Director Krieger and the commissioners for attending their legal seminar that was conducted at the offices of Ancel Glink.

The District's finances were presented by Assistant Treasurer Bradley during the Personnel and Finance sub-committee meeting that was held immediately prior to the board meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Pye, seconded by Commissioner Magiera, to approve and pay the bills dated October 31, 2015 as listed in the amount of \$100,905.26.

Upon a roll call, Commissioners Brown, Pye, Buchholtz, Magiera and President Hartmann voted aye.

President Hartmann declared the motion carried

A written report by Director Krieger highlighting the month's activities was submitted to the Board prior to the meeting. During the meeting Director Krieger commented on the following topics described in her report: IAPD state conference, Legal Symposium, Coastal Management Grant.

Director Krieger mentioned that the early registration deadline is December 1st for the IAPD state conference. She encouraged the commissioners to attend the conference and requested a response as to who wanted to attend. The Legal Symposium was attended by Director Krieger and

Superintendent Bradley. Director Krieger explained the Symposium was a full day of presentations by various attorneys on topics relevant to the District. The pending property tax freeze and changes to the Fair Labor Standards Act were two major topics discussed. Director Krieger explained the Costal Management grant that was secured by Superintendent Petersen. The grant will fund a project at Hosah Park to illustrate the Park's unique ecological elements.

Dave Phillips of Speer Financial explained the results of the District's Series 2015 bond sale. The sale was successful and resulted in a winning bid from FirstMerit at a two-year rate of 1.95%. Mr. Phillips advised the Board to accept FirstMerit's bid, along with the District's bid, to purchase the bonds. Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Pye, made a motion to approve Ordinance # 820, providing for the issue of \$338,305 Taxable General Obligation Limited Tax Refunding Park Bonds, Series 2015A, and \$391,185 General Obligation Limited Tax Refunding Park Bonds, Series 2015B, for the purpose of providing for the payment of certain outstanding obligations of the District, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest of said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchasers thereof.

Upon a roll call, Commissioners Brown, Magiera, Buchholtz, Pye and President Hartmann voted aye.

President Hartmann declared the motion carried.

Direct Krieger presented two estimated tax levy scenarios that were provided in advance to the Board. She explained the estimates were prepared based on the County's projection of a two percent rise in the EAV. The first levy estimate was a less than one percent increase in the District's tax rate and the second holds the District's tax rate constant. She commented that both levy estimates are fiscally responsible. President Hartmann suggested the first estimate and a discussion ensued. A motion was made by Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Brown, to approve Resolution #821, A Resolution Establishing the Estimate of Tax Levy for the Zion Park District.

Upon a roll call, Commissioners Brown, Magiera, Buchholtz, Pye and President Hartmann voted aye.

President Hartmann declared the motion carried

Director Krieger explained the District's application for the CDBG grant. Superintendent Pushee and Superintendent Petersen collaborated to write the grant. The District, in partnership with the City, applied for \$100,000 from HUD to be used to renovate Hermon Park. A motion was made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Magiera, to approve Resolution #822, A Resolution of the CDBG Grant Application for the Zion Park District.

Upon a roll call, Commissioners Brown, Magiera, Buchholtz, Pye and President Hartmann voted aye.

President Hartmann declared the motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Pye.

Upon a roll call, Commissioners Brown, Magiera, Buchholtz, Pye and President Hartmann voted aye.

President Hartmann declared the motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Eric Bradley, Assistant Secretary