

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 20<sup>th</sup> Day of November, 2014

President McDowell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for the roll call. Upon the roll call the following commissioners were present: Pye, Hartmann, Buchholtz, and Magiera. 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 Museum Director Angelos.

Commissioner Hartmann, seconded by Commissioner Magiera, made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented, of the Regular meeting held on October 23, 2014 and the minutes of the Personnel and Finance Sub-committee meeting also held on October 23, 2014 and the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board held on October 30, 2014.

With a voice vote; Commissioners Hartmann, Pye, Buchholtz  
Magiera and President McDowell voted aye.  
President McDowell declared the motion carried.

President McDowell welcomed a guest in attendance, Zion resident Jacqueline Holmes.

President McDowell asked for agenda deletions or adjustments, of which there were none.

There were no reports from the District's attorneys.

Commissioner Buchholtz commented on the Thanksgiving luncheon for the seniors. He thought the event was fantastic and was glad to see the large turnout of over 130 seniors. Commissioner Buchholtz said that the entertainer did a nice job and all commissions agreed that the luncheon was a very nice event.

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 Hartmann, seconded by Commissioner Magiera, to approve and pay the bills dated October 31, 2014 as listed in the amount of \$106,425.65.

Upon a roll call; Commissioners Hartmann, Pye, Magiera, Buchholtz and  
President McDowell voted aye.  
President McDowell 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 items described in her report: Capital projects list, IAPD conference, and the Legal Symposium. Director Krieger elaborated on the Legal Symposium, attended by her and Superintendent Bradley. She mentioned that it was valuable to spend the day learning about legal topics affecting various areas of the Park District. Furthermore, multiple law firms always present at the Symposium and it is beneficial to hear the perspectives of other attorneys, in addition to the District's own counsel.

Commissioner Pye questioned the extensive capital projects list and requested an order of priority relating to the various items listed. Director Krieger responded that the HVAC project is first and other projects may be completed dependent upon the next fiscal year's budget. However, a more thorough review of the list is needed to determine an order of priority.

President McDowell announced that the next agenda item for the Board of Park Commissioners was a public hearing to receive public comments on the proposal to sell \$1,350,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds. The President opened the discussion and Director Krieger explained the reasons for the proposed issuance of the Bonds were as follows: to raise funds to pay upcoming scheduled principal and interest payments on the District's current outstanding 2009A Alternative Revenue Bonds, 2009B Alternate Revenue Bonds and its Series 2009 Debt Certificates, as well as to cover the associated issuance costs. The Limited Tax Park Bonds will be issued in three phases as part of the District's long-term strategy advised by Speer Financial, Inc. to retire the District's existing long-term outstanding debt and ultimately provide funds for capital improvement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann, seconded by Commissioner Magiera, to approve the issuance of \$1,350,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds.

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

President McDowell declared the motion carried and closed the hearing.

Director Krieger presented Resolution #807, A Resolution Establishing the Estimate of Tax Levy for the Zion Park District. The Resolution detailed the District's proposed property taxes to be levied for tax year 2014. The proposal was for a levy amount of \$3,099,130. However, two additional levy scenarios were also presented to the Board for their consideration. The Board and Director Krieger discussed the various scenarios and the potential impact of each on the Park District and the community. No final decision was made and all agreed to continue assessing the levy scenarios. A final vote and approval will be conducted at the December meeting as to which levy scenario will be adopted for tax year 2014.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to approve Resolution # 807.

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

President McDowell declared the motion carried.

At 7:51 p.m. a motion was made by Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Hartmann, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of the Board discussing employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of employees pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

With a voice vote, Commissioners Hartmann, Buchholtz, Pye, Magiera, and President McDowell voted aye.

President McDowell declared the motion carried.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 8:19 p.m.

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

With a voice vote, Commissioners Magiera, Hartmann, Buchholtz, Pye, and President McDowell voted aye.

President McDowell declared the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Eric Bradley, Assistant Secretary