

**Minutes Of The Regular Meeting
Of The Posen Park District
Held On November 3, 2009
At The Offices Of The Posen Park District
143rd & Campbell**

Opening:

President Lemke called the meeting to order at 7:07PM

Upon roll call by Secretary Whitcomb, Commissioners Lemke, Murphy, Nichols, and Whitcomb were present, and Commissioner Myers was absent. Other staff and personnel present included Treasurer Don Jacobs

Additions/Revisions to Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Whitcomb presented the minutes of the regular meeting and executive session held on October 6, 2009. Commissioners read the minutes of the October 6, 2009 meeting. Commissioner Murphy motioned to approve the minutes. President Lemke seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted Aye, motion carried. Commissioners read the executive session minutes from the October 6, 2009 meeting. Commissioner Whitcomb motioned to approve these minutes with the stipulation that they remain closed to the public at this time. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted Aye, motion carried.

Approval of Ordinances/Agreements:

None

Reports:

Finance:

Commissioner Murphy presented bills for approval in the amount of \$6,670.21. Commissioner Whitcomb questioned the entry to Daniels Printing, which Treasurer Jacobs stated was for new ink cartridges and routine supply replacement. Commissioner Whitcomb questioned the entry to Martin Implement, which Commissioner Nichols responded was for parts to fix the grasshopper, which had been damaged running over a pothole during the cutting of Commissioner's Park. Commissioner Nichols motioned to approve the bills, seconded by Commissioner Murphy. All commissioners voted Aye, motion carried.

Capital Improvements:

Nothing to Report

Maintenance:

Nothing to Report

S.W.S.R.A:

Commissioner Whitcomb reported on the October meeting, which took place in Palos Heights. Commissioner Whitcomb put together and donated a gift basket on behalf of the park district as; a request was made to member districts for door prizes for S.W.S.R.A.'s candlelight bowl fundraiser. Commissioner Whitcomb said to consider it a donation. The next meeting was going to be held in Posen but will now be held in the new Worth offices that S.W.S.R.A. has leased and renovated so as to introduce the board to the location. Posen has swapped with Worth and will now host the January meeting.

Commissioner At Large:

None

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Jozwiak was not in attendance. Commissioner Nichols stated that he had gone into the hospital to have his back examined since it was still bothering him from running over the pothole at Commissioners Park last week.

Attorney Report:

None

Old Business:

IAPD Membership:

Commissioner Murphy has confirmed that the Posen Park District is out of compliance with I-Parks due to lapsed IAPD membership. He and Treasurer Jacobs are working with IAPD and the recommendation from them is to wait until January and re-up with them when we pay up on our I-Parks dues.

Tax Levy:

Treasurer Jacobs stated that the Tax Levy will need to be approved next meeting and that we will need to hold a public hearing prior to the meeting. He stated that the maximum increase able to be levied without running into additional legal requirements is 4.5% and that this has been the rate of increase approved by the board for the past several years. Treasurer Jacobs stated that he will post the notice of the hearing in the Messenger and Commissioner Whitcomb indicated that it will be added to the agenda and posted at Village Hall.

Website:

Commissioner Whitcomb stated that the website will be up and running by the next meeting and that he hopes to get Dave and Nicole here to present to the board. Commissioner Whitcomb is providing information for the site and eventually will need to take pictures of each commissioner and of the parks to include on the site.

Zuziak Property Update

Commissioner Whitcomb asked President Lemke if there had been any word from Attorney Narko about the Zuziak issue. President Lemke stated that no communication had been received from Attorney Narko other than a bill. Commissioner Whitcomb stated that he is not comfortable

with the way the attorney is handling communication with the board and that we should be updated constantly on the issue at hand.

New Business:

Financial Assessment:

Commissioner Whitcomb stated that it is time in the current economic conditions for the board to look at reducing costs across the board. Commissioner Murphy stated that a company called 7 utilities is affiliated with IAPD and will shop around our utility bills to help potentially reduce our costs. As a company specializing in this area they could give us a great deal and it would not hurt to try. Commissioner Whitcomb also stated that since the intended purpose of the cell phones is no longer in existence now that we are not doing the carnival, that we might look into canceling the service rather than paying \$150 per month for barely used phones.

Correspondence:

None

Open to Public:

Two residents inquired when the agreement for programs with Blue Island goes into effect, to which Commissioner Whitcomb replied that it was effective as of September 10th. Commissioner Whitcomb supplied them with copies of the program catalog for Blue Island.

Executive Session (If Needed):

None needed.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Nichols motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Murphy. All commissioners voted Aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:48PM