

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Posen Park Board of Commissioners  
On Thursday July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at the offices of the Park District on 143<sup>rd</sup> and Campbell.

Opening: President Whitcomb call the meeting to order at 7:06 pm. Upon roll call, Commissioners Whitcomb, Chmielak and Lopez were present. Commissioners Murphy and Haran were absent. President Whitcomb led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Revisions: President Whitcomb stated that the new meeting format will be starting with tonight's meeting. The meeting on the first Thursday of the month will be for committee reports, discussing ideas and planning. If any actions need to be taken, they will. On the second meeting held on the third Thursday of every month the passing of financial reports, the meeting minutes, paying bills and expenses will take place.

Finance and Capital Improvements: President Whitcomb states that Commissioner Murphy was on route to the meeting. Will pass on this report and move on to next on the agenda.

Building and Grounds: Commissioner Chmielak stated that applicants were interviewed for the job maintenance opening. One was hired. The grounds were cleaned, signs from the carnival were removed. All the parks were cut and cleaned up. The concession stand was cleaned for the yard sale. The roof on the concession stand will be fixed in house. Two benches were installed at Therapeutic Park. Is getting bids on the exterior fences at Memorial Park. Also getting bids on equipment for Zuziak Park, getting asphalt paving on the tennis courts in Memorial. LPM painted all the light poles in Memorial, Commissioner and Therapeutic Parks. Has bids from Wally's and T&M for paving and for swelling Memorial park. New asphalt bids for Mermorial Park are being requested from Wally's and T&M. Bio solids are being dropped off and Commissioner Park will need to be closed off when the work is being done there. Do All Fencing gave an estimate of 210.00 for two gates with the hardware. The park employees will install them in Memorial Park. Commissioner Chmielak made a motion to buy the gates. President Whitcomb seconded. The commionsers present voted aye, motion carried. Has estimate on having a dump put on the new truck order for \$3800.00 for a steel dump, \$4800.00 for a stainless steel dump. Would like the commissioners to think about it and vote on it on the next meeting. All pavilions should be painted by August 2<sup>nd</sup>. On the applications for the the job openings, Commissioner Chmielak wants to know if the applicants are put in order of 1, 2, 3 etc and if the #2 or #1 applicant is not hired, he wants to get the go ahead to hire the next applicant in line. Commissioner Haran wants to hold back the voting until all commissioner are present. Commissioner Lopez asked why Zuziak Park is being bypassed and not being worked on as talked about previously. Commissioner Chmielak states that priority change and plans changed and he would like to know if the other commissioners would volunteer to help working on the parks. Commissioner Lopez said he would.

Commissioner Murphy arrived during the Building and Grounds report and gave his report.

Finance and Capital Improvements: Commissioner Murphy stated there is no update on the audit. Has an estimate for insurance involving park rentals. The cost of insurance for at least twelve events at two parks is \$1500.00 for events involving alcohol. That covers only events at Memorial Park and Commissioners Park. Greg from IDOT has not called back to discuss open business. President Whitcomb asked that his get his e-mail address so he can contact him.

Recreation and Outreach: Commissioner Lopez stated he would like to see the concession stand open two days a week and Saturday and Sunday. He spoke to representative at Clover Leaf Farms, an ice cream distributor located in Crestwood. He passed out the cost list of the ice cream available. If ice cream is purchased from Clover Leaf they will supply the freezer, menu board and banner. President Whitcomb suggested that the menu stays small if the stand is opened. Commissioner Lopez stated he would like to stock the stand with snacks and pop. Commissioner Chmielak stated the old popcorn maker is working. Job description will need to be posted before applications are accepted for a part time worker. Kevin a Posen resident was present and stated he has work with the Oak Lawn Park District and Lansing