

Minutes of the August 4th, 2015 Meeting of the Posen Park District Board of Commissioners

Call to Order Pres. Chmielak called the meeting to order at 6:30pm at the Park Office on 143rd & Campbell.

Roll Call Present: Natasha Nutall, Ashley Gulli, Jody Chmielak, Al Chmielak **Absent:** Karen Klotz

Pledge of Allegiance The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes Comm. Gulli moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 21st, 2015 as presented, seconded by Comm. Nutall. All present voted Aye, motion carried.

Approve Financial Report & Bills Comm. Chmielak moved to approve the July financial report and payment of outstanding bills, seconded by Comm. Gulli. All present voted Aye, motion carried.

Director's Report Director Whitcomb gave his report (Attached) and answered questions on the items.

- a) Tollway Authority
- b) Cook County E.A.V.
- c) Office Project
- d) Meetings/Activities – Pres. Chmielak suggested contacting the firm that sprays our fence lines to see if they could also spray for mosquitoes in the viewing area prior to the next Movie in the Park.
- e) Maintenance Items
- f) Benefits Plans
- g) Nationals Softball Organization
- h) Correspondence/Other – Director Whitcomb discussed his meeting with the resident who wants to have a memorial tree planted for her son, along with the representative for the organization she belongs to. He stated that the organization broached the subject of the District purchasing and planting the tree and the organization reimbursing the costs. The board expressed willingness to have the memorial tree planted, but without the District assuming any acquisition responsibility or upfront costs. The organization should handle acquisition of the tree and planting materials, and the District could assist with the actual planting.

Unfinished Business

Grant Writer Report: Kevin Whitney is on vacation out of state and will email with an update.

Long Term Planning Lists/A.D.A. Plan: Nothing at this time.

Approval to Seek Bids for Office Renovation/Sewer Project: Nothing at this time.

New Business

Pres. Chmielak and Comm. Chmielak informed everyone of comments made to them by a Posen Police Officer regarding a pavilion rental a few weeks prior to this meeting; that the party was there after dusk and had to be kicked out, along with other rules violations. Director Whitcomb stated this was the first time he was hearing anything about this and that he would address the matter with the police department about informing us of violations in a timely manner as he would not have refunded the security deposit if he had been made aware of the issue.

Public Comments None.

Executive Session None needed.

Adjournment With no further business to discuss, Comm. Nutall moved to adjourn at 6:45pm, seconded by Comm. Gulli. All present voted Aye, motion carried.

PD Whitcomb 9/8/2015

Report of the Director of Parks & Recreation August 4, 2015 Board Meeting

ITHA/Therapeutic Park – No new updates on this item.

Cook County Equalized Assessed Value Discrepancy – No new updates on this item.

Memorial Park Office Renovation Project – Waiting on completion of the review process by M.W.R.D.

Meetings & Activities Schedule

- Resale in the Park – Saturday August 15th from 9:30-1. 4 registrations as of August 4th.
- Movie in the Park – July 24th. We had a good crowd of 40-50 people. The only issue we had was with mosquitos. Some of the attendees left about halfway through. Reception for the event was positive and we sold \$67.50 in concessions.
- Movie in the Park – Scheduled for August 28th. We will be showing Cars. If it is rained out the rainout date is Sunday August 30th. 8:00pm start time moved up from 8:30pm.
- Kelly Miller Circus – Tuesday September 1st we will have 2 shows at 4:30 and 7:30pm. Advance tickets are on sale \$12 for adults and \$6 for children in advance and \$16/\$8 on circus day. We are selling them at our office and at Bartolinis. 29 business deliveries for advance tickets. 1 refused tickets, 23 deliveries completed, 5 remaining.

Maintenance Updates – I am awaiting confirmation on the warranty replacements on certain playground parts. I have received a quotation for the other needed parts and non-warranty covered hardware and will be proceeding with that order. Ramp warranty has been accepted with shipping scheduled for August 11th. Not warrantied replacement parts are quoted at \$722.74, and I will be proceeding with the order.

Garage – The Kubota mower will be taken to Martin Implement to diagnose and correct the starting issue.

Memorial – There have been no new developments or issues in this park.

Commissioners – There have been no new developments or issues in this park. The soccer goals for this park have arrived and have been assembled and placed.

Therapeutic – There have been no new developments or issues in this park.

Zuziak – There have been no developments or issues of note in this park.

Park Site 5 – There have been no new developments or issues in this park.

Benefits Plans – I am currently researching options. More information will be forthcoming at the next meeting.

Nationals Softball Organization – I have not spoken with anyone from the organization since the last meeting.

Correspondence/Other