

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Posen Park District
Board of Commissioners on Thursday January 20, 2011 at 7:00PM
At the Offices of the Park District on 143rd & Campbell

Opening:

President Whitcomb called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Upon roll call, Commissioners Whitcomb, Murphy, Chmielak, and Haran were present. Commissioner Lopez was absent. President Whitcomb led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Revisions to the Agenda: Evelyn Gleason, President of SWSRA, came to the meeting to present two awards. The first is the Award of Excellence, presented to the Posen Park District for their work in advancing the efforts of SWSRA through involving SWSRA in the KaBOOM! project. The second award is a Special Recognition Award for President Whitcomb for his efforts and conduct on behalf of parks and recreation since his election as Commissioner.

Citizens to Be Heard: The representatives from Windy City Amusements were unable to attend the meeting.

Approval of Minutes: President Whitcomb

The Board reviewed the minutes of December 20, 2010. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Chmielak. Roll Call: Murphy: Aye Chmielak: Aye Lopez: Absent Haran: Aye Whitcomb: Aye
The Board reviewed the minutes of January 6, 2011. Commissioner Haran moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Chmielak. Roll Call: Murphy: Aye Chmielak: Aye Lopez: Absent Haran: Aye Whitcomb: Aye
The Board reviewed the Executive Session minutes of January 6, 2011. Commissioner Chmielak moved to approve the minutes with the stipulation they remain closed to the public at this time, seconded by President Whitcomb. Roll Call: Murphy: Aye Chmielak: Aye Lopez: Absent Haran: Aye Whitcomb: Aye

Approval of Ordinances & Agreements: None to consider.

Finance & Capital Improvements: Commissioner Murphy

Treasurer's Report & Bills Statement: Commissioner Murphy presented the Treasurer's Report. In the First Midwest Account, there was a beginning balance on 01/06/2011 of \$21,294.50, deposits of \$0.00, disbursements of \$8,000.00, and an ending balance on 01/20/2011 of \$13,294.50. In the Chase Account, there was a beginning balance on 01/06/2011 of \$4,426.78, deposits of \$8,612.42, disbursements of \$8,342.09, and an ending balance on 01/20/2011 of \$4,697.11. The combined account balance on 01/06/2011 is \$17,991.61. There was also an Unpaid Bills List presented for approval totaling \$246.37.

Approve Treasurer's Report & Payment of Unpaid Bills List: Commissioner Chmielak moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, seconded by President Whitcomb. Roll Call as follows: Murphy: Aye Chmielak: Aye Lopez: Absent Haran: Aye Whitcomb: Aye. Commissioner Murphy moved to pay the unpaid bills detail, seconded by Commissioner Chmielak. Roll Call as follows: Murphy: Aye Chmielak: Aye Lopez: Absent Haran: Aye Whitcomb: Aye

Buildings & Grounds: Commissioner Chmielak

Tasks Completed: Memorial Park was tagged sometime between Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning. Graffiti was present on the concession stand and rules sign. Commissioner Chmielak took pictures, contacted the police, and then removed it. The workers are dismantling the wooden picnic tables for rebuilding and have been making the welcome signs for the parks. Inventory is also on the agenda now that the workshop has been completed. Both workers are on a three day work week until spring. Purchase of additional lumber from Menards will be needed to finish the signs and to supplement what we can salvage from the tables when we begin reassembly. Supplies and equipment will be purchased in order of need and availability of funds. The fire extinguishers will be dropped off for testing next week.

Recreation & Community Outreach: Commissioner Lopez (report given by President Whitcomb)

Blood Drive: There were 12 donations, with 1 deferral and 1 late arrival. Heartland looks forward to working with us again in warmer weather and is pleased with the turnout as several of their winter blood drives have been cancelled.
Easter Egg Hunt Status: The Community Center is doing the Bunny Breakfast on the Saturday before Easter at 10:00am. We will schedule the hunt around 9:15 or 9:30am on that date. The company has been contacted and the price on the eggs is still \$120 per 1,000 eggs delivered. We ordered 3,000 last year.

Planning & Development: Commissioner Haran

Action on Assignment Items (if any): Corporal Alexander is still looking to come to a meeting; however, the police are busy with the burglaries and tagging lately.

Personnel & Policy: President Whitcomb

Revision of Rental Fees/Policies: The Board discussed rental policies and agreed on several policy changes. A document detailing the changes will be prepared for distribution.

Attorney Report: None at this time.

Superintendent Report: None at this time.

Old Business:

Carnival Preparation: Covered earlier. After we agree on a proposal with the company, a series of special meetings will be set for carnival discussion and planning purposes.

IAPD/IPRA Conference: Commissioners will email their class choices to President Whitcomb by Wednesday so that duplicate attendance at a class can be limited. Per Diem rates were decided on at \$150 per person for the conference.

New Business:

Archery Class Opportunity: Commissioner Murphy presented information on a possible program for the summer. The company would provide the equipment, and train our staff to run archery camps through a few camps, after which we would own the equipment and be able to conduct classes on our own. The Board agreed to consider further information.

Open To Public: Jody Chmielak asked if repairing the noisy furnace was on the task list. The Board responded that it was.

Executive Session (if needed): Commissioner Chmielak moved, seconded by Commissioner Murphy, to enter Executive Session for the purposes of the required biannual review of closed session minutes. Roll Call as follows: Murphy: Aye Chmielak: Aye Lopez: Absent Haran: Aye Whitcomb: Aye. The Board entered Executive Session at 8:45pm.

Commissioner Chmielak moved to exit Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Murphy. Roll Call as follows: Murphy: Aye Chmielak: Aye Lopez: Absent Haran: Aye Whitcomb: Aye. The Board exited Executive Session at 8:50pm.

Action On Executive Session Discussion:

Commissioner Chmielak moved, seconded by President Whitcomb, to open the following list of Executive Session Minutes to the public: February 3, 2010, February 18, 2010, February 26 2010, March 2 2010, April 6 2010, September 16 2010, and October 14 2010. Roll Call as follows: Murphy: Aye Chmielak: Aye Lopez: Absent Haran: Aye Whitcomb: Aye.

Commissioner Chmielak moved, seconded by Commissioner Murphy, to keep the following list of Executive Session Minutes closed to the public at this time: April 21 2010, November 4 2010, November 18 2010, and January 6 2011. Roll Call as follows: Murphy: Aye Chmielak: Aye Lopez: Absent Haran: Aye Whitcomb: Aye.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Murphy moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Chmielak. All Commissioners voted Aye, meeting adjourned at 8:53pm.