

Board of Commissioners Meeting
December 21st, 2016 Minutes/Prophetstown Park District

A meeting of the Prophetstown Park District Board of Commissioners was held on December 21st, 2016 at the Prophetstown Park District. Those present included President Jason Taylor, Vice President Tom Green, Commissioners Bev Cooper, Carl Weidel and Sandy Johnson; Director Karyn Sommers-Buck and Bookkeeper Maggie Linden. The meeting was called to order by President Jason Taylor at 7:03 p.m.

Public: Deb Fringer complimented the board, and stated was at the meeting to show support for the Park District. Dan Howard, complimented the board and wanted to show support for the Park District and also asked that there be a public forum for all prospective candidates for the open board positions. Discussion continued about facility with board members and public in regards to letters to the editor in local paper, about possibility of community center and future of Park District.

Adoption of the Bond Ordinance – An ordinance providing for the issue of \$125,000 General Obligation Park Bonds, Series 2016, of the Prophetstown Park District, Whiteside and Henry Counties, Illinois, for the payment of land for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of said Park District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to The Farmers National Bank of Prophetstown. President Taylor read the proposal, Secretary Sommers-Buck read Ordinance 12-21-16, upon conclusion a motion was made by Commissioner Green to adopt said Ordinance, a second was given by Commissioner Johnson. Roll Call was taken, all those voting yay, Commissioners Weidel, Johnson, Cooper, Vice President Green and President Taylor.

The 2016 Annual Tax Levy – a motion was made by Commissioner Weidel to adopt the levy- Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion- all in favor, the motion carried.

A motion was made to adopt the annual budget and appropriation by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Green- all in favor, the motion carried.

The November 16th, 2016 minutes were read and discussed. Commissioner Cooper commented that we discussed the Lyndon property in November, and that needed to be added into the minutes. Motion was made to amend to add Lyndon discussion to minutes and accept the by Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Green seconded, all in favor, the motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for November was discussed, motion to accept made by Commissioner Green, Commissioner Weidel seconded, all in favor, the motion carried.

Correspondence-None

Report from Commissioners- Commissioners Weidel, Johnson, Green had no comments. Commissioner Cooper asked that we work on the sidewalk on the pool side to be cleared of snow, asked about the heating in lockerrooms and the parking situation with the high school. President Taylor stated that what he was going to talk about in this section was touched on during the public portion of the meeting.

Director's Report – Heat in building-we are continuing to work on getting the boilers running properly in regards to heat in the lockerrooms. HeatCo has been in building several times since installation to let out air, work on water in lines, and change out parts- continue to make sure we have a good temperature in both areas. 5th-8th Grade Basketball Leagues will start in January and continue through the end of February, gym will be closed during the games. Director was contacted by the company working with the School District about the tennis courts, school is working with this company to hopefully find a solution to tennis courts. We received the refund from PDRMA from the Loss Control Review, Orientation Date has been set for February, LCR will take place in fall of 2017. Director attended PDRMA Webinar on Legal Updates. Biggest Loser slated to start in the new year. Specials running now on daily punch cards, class cards and memberships.

Unfinished Business- Went through article 9 from the Park Board Manual and made changes-will edit 10 in December. President Taylor brought paperwork about adding remote means attendance for the manual. Motion was made by Commissioner Weidel and second by Commissioner Green – all were in favor to add remote means attendance to manual.

Current Building/Grove Street Property: Reminder for everyone to get surveys in by the end of year for final results to be presented at January meeting.

New Business

Executive Session: Motion to go into Session made by Commissioner Green, second by Commissioner Weidel All if favor for purposes of 1. Performance Compensation Review 2. Pending Litigation 3. Discussions on Self Evaluations and Procedures. Motion to come out of Session made by Commissioner Johnson, second by Commissioner Green, All if favor. No action on Pending Litigation, and Discussions on Self Evaluations and Procedures. Motion made by Commissioner Weidel and second by Commissioner Cooper All if Favor of percentage increase to Director's annual salary. Increase base percentage from \$42,000 to \$44,000 , \$2000 increase for retirement and cell phone allowance of \$80/month, effective January 1st, 2017. Total increase of \$2960 for an approximate 7% total increase.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Weidel, all in favor, the motion carried.

Secretary, Board of Commissioners Karyn Sommers-Buck