

Board of Commissioners Meeting

February 20th, 2019/Prophetstown Park District

A meeting of the Prophetstown Park District Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, February 20th, 2019 at the Prophetstown Park District.

Call to Order at 7:01 p.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Those present included President Tom Green, Vice President Carl Weidel, Commissioner Aaron Thede; Director Karyn Sommers-Buck and Bookkeeper Maggie Linden, absent were Sandy Johnson and Beverly Cooper.

Public: Sam Wancket and Don Amery – presented map and proposal of swapping land around our ball diamonds in Lyndon. There is a small strip behind our current small diamond that is accessible from the street. There are trees that they would be willing to remove so we could eventually use the area for parking. Mr. Wancket seeks in return a small tract that is ours behind the big ball diamond. This triangle shaped piece would allow them to have a full field to farm and utilize versus having the small piece cutting into their land that wouldn't be available to them. This piece that they are seeking sits behind our fence line of the big diamond.

The January 2019 minutes were read and discussed – A motion was made by Commissioner Weidel to accept as presented, second by Commissioner Thede, all in favor.

The Treasurer's Report for January 2019 was discussed, Commissioner Weidel made a motion to accept, Commissioner Thede second, All in Favor.

Correspondence- Strike's proposed switching out of lights in the gym, to correct overload on the fuse box versus switching out all of the wiring; proposal for the pool lights; and also a third proposal to change out all of the lobby, fitness center and office lights. All of the proposal's included estimated rebates from ComEd and the savings we would see on a yearly basis with the change.

Director's Report –Director Contract, will table until all board members present; baseball and softball scheduling will take place on April 7th; Moore Foundation approved the money requested for the batting cage project–so will transfer the amount to the school district; Recycling program – decision is to hire someone who will do the work, will talk with Denny to see if he is still interested; Fire System was inspected and all is well; countertop work on the attendant desk was completed-have slight imperfection that Frary's is aware of; elementary basketball finished up-new format of both practices and games seem to be well received-will continue with this format next year; Director took and passed certification for Lifeguard Management Course through Red Cross; talk to discuss our employee discipline policy – currently 3 phases – would like to include 4 phases – Verbal, Written, Suspension and then Termination.

Report from Commissioners- Commissioner in reference to Director talking about getting certification for Lifeguard Management course asked about having an Aquatics Director –hard to find someone to get all of the necessary qualifications and still be considered part time in their role; Commissioners Green and Weidel had no comments.

Unfinished Business- Boiler Work – Stewart out of Dixon says we are out of their range, hoping to get Weil-McLain consult.

Action Items: Strike's Proposal's – Motion by Commissioner Weidel to approve both the gym and pool light projects approved at the amount set, second by Commissioner Thede, all in favor.

Employee Discipline Policy – Motion by Commissioner Weidel to implement a four step policy of Verbal, Written, Suspension (2 successive shifts without pay) and Termination, second by Commissioner Thede, all in favor.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Thede and seconded by Commissioner Weidel, All in Favor.

Secretary, Board of Commissioners Karyn Sommers-Buck