

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

ANDERSON TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT

March 11, 2010

Dale Bartholomew, Vice President, called the regular meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Anderson Township Park District to order at 6:40 pm at the Anderson Township Park District, Juilfs Park Office, 8249 Clough Pike. Present were Board Members: Nadine Gelter and Josh Gerth. Also present were: Ken Kushner, Executive Director; Emily Armstrong, Assistant Director; Bailey Martella, Financial Officer/Board Clerk; Brian Jordan, Business Manager/Volunteer Coordinator and Mike Smith, Operations Manager.

GUESTS: Community Press Staff: Lisa Wakeland.

AGENDA: Mr. Gerth moved the Board approve the Agenda. Mrs. Gelter seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mrs. Gelter, Mr. Bartholomew and Mr. Gerth (3); No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Johnson Hills Park: Mr. Kushner reported that he and Mrs. Armstrong met with three of the neighbors' closest to the north property line, Lynn and Steve Finzer and Greg Fermann, concerning the proximity of the proposed trail. Because of these neighbors' concerns discussed at the meeting the district has established an alternative to relocate the trails away from their property lines, as much as possible. He also noted Mr. Larry Waltz, Waltz Enterprises, honored the agreement to vacate by February 15th. Once he vacated the facility, park district personnel removed all of the items deemed to be of future benefit and commenced the demolition. He also reported that the park Core Area planning continues.

Synthetic Field Financing: Mr. Kushner reported he and Mike Smith had visited most of the synthetic fields in the immediate area to evaluate which manufacturers' product would best meet the district's needs. He stated Brandstetter Carroll has been engaged to do the initial engineering needed to secure the necessary permits for the fields and surrounding area. Since the main sewer line will eventually be built on Round Bottom Road passing Riverside Park, Mr. Bartholomew suggested it might be a cost savings for the park district to construct sewer lines from our present and future field facilities while the ground is open for field construction. Mr. Kushner stated he and Mr. Smith would consider this suggestion when working on the construction.

Sheriff's Contract: Mr. Kushner reported that Tom Luebbbers, the district's legal counsel, had reviewed the contract and discussed any questions he had with the Prosecutor's Office and the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Kushner stated he would be executing the contract very soon.

NEW BUSINESS:

Anderson Days 2010: Mr. Kushner reported that the 12th Annual Greater Anderson Days celebration planning has begun however he went on to say that with the fragile economy and multiple agencies approaching businesses for donations and sponsorships funds may be harder to come by this year. He stated a few vendors had committed to the event and hoped that most of the larger sponsors, who have been with the event since its inception, would continue their support this year.

Staff Changes and Appointment:

Mrs. Gelter moved the Board approve staff's recommendation for the following:

Resignation of Biz Martella, full time Financial Officer/Board Clerk effective March 31, 2010.

Promotion of Brian Jordan from full time Business Manger to full time Financial Officer, effective April 1, 2010.

Hiring of Eric Pryor, Assignable Administrative Staff Field & Dog Field monitor.

Mr. Gerth seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mr. Bartholomew, Mrs. Gelter and Mr. Gerth (3). No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

Appointment: Mrs. Gelter moved the Board approve the appointment of Emily Armstrong, Assistant Director, to Assistant Director/Board Clerk effective April 1, 2010. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mr. Bartholomew, Mrs. Gelter and Mr. Gerth (3). No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

Resolution 2010-08: Mrs. Gelter moved to approve **Resolution 2010-08 Requesting an Advance Payment** (replacing Resolution 2009-10) of taxes to be drawn on the undivided real estate tax fund. This resolution removes Mrs. Martella's name and authorizes Brian Jordan to request the funds as of April 1, 2010. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mrs. Gelter, Mr. Bartholomew and Mr. Gerth. (3); No: None. The motion carried unanimously

Purchase Orders Approval: Mr. Gerth moved the Board approve the following between meeting Purchase Orders:

32 Ford-Mercury, Inc.	F-250 Ford Truck	\$23,735.00
John Deere Company	Gator	\$ 7,535.58
EKA, Government Sales, Inc.	Smithco Ball Diamond Drag	\$15,353.28
Evans Landscaping	Dumpsters-Johnson Demolition	\$12,000.00

Mrs. Gelter seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mr. Bartholomew, Mr. Gerth and Mrs. Gelter. (3); No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2010-09: Mr. Bartholomew moved the Board approve **Resolution 2010-09**, authorizing the Park District's participation in the Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS). Mr. Gerth seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mr. Bartholomew, Mr. Gerth and Mrs. Gelter. (3); No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

Grants Up-Date: Mr. Kushner reported that since the last meeting a grant application had been submitted for a Riverside Park Permeable Parking Lot as follows:

Surface Water Improvement Fund:

Project: Riverside Park Permeable Parking Lot

Total Project: \$240,000.00

Request: \$150,000.00

ATPD Matching Share: \$ 90,000.00

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND AUTHORIZATION OF EXPENDITURES

Mrs. Gelter moved for the Board to approve the **February 2010 Financial Reports and Authorized the Expenditures** as presented by Mrs. Martella. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mrs. Gelter, Mr. Bartholomew and Mr. Gerth. (3); No: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mrs. Gelter moved to approve the minutes of the **January 13, 2010 and the February 11, 2010 Regular Meetings.** Mr. Gerth seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mr. Bartholomew, Mr. Gerth and Mrs. Gelter (3) No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

Johnson Park: Ms. Wakeland, Community Press, asked the Board several question concerning the construction timeline at Johnson Park to which Mr. Kushner answered the project will start with the “Core” front entrance and the pond area. She then asked about the cost of the Synthetic Field project for Riverside Park. Mr. Kushner responded that the fields, parking and amenities are estimated to cost approximately \$1,650,000.

At 7:10 pm Mrs. Gelter moved the Board adjourn into Executive Session to discuss land acquisition. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mrs. Gelter, Mr. Bartholomew and Mr. Gerth (3) No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

At 7:11 pm Mrs. Martella left the meeting at this time.

At 7:59 pm Mr. Gerth moved the Board adjourn the Executive Session and re-open the regular meeting. Mrs. Gelter seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mrs. Gelter, Mr. Bartholomew and Mr. Gerth. (3) No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

At 8:00 pm there being no further business to be brought before this Board, Mr. Gerth moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Gelter seconded the motion. Voting: Yes: Mrs. Gelter, Mr. Bartholomew and Mr. Gerth. (3)No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Bailey H. Martella
Financial Officer/Board Clerk

Dale Bartholomew

Nadine Gelter

Josh Gerth