

COLOMA TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 9, 2019

The regular monthly board meeting was held on April 9th, 2019. The regular monthly board meeting was called to order at 6pm in the Park District Office located at 508 East 11th Street in Rock Falls, Illinois.

Present: Commissioners Sigel, Bubbers, Stindt, Logan, and Shipman
Absent: None
Also Present: Jedidiah Johnson, Director of Parks and Recreation

Commissioner Logan motioned to approve the minutes of the regular monthly board meeting of March 12th, 2019. Commissioner Shipman seconded the motion, roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Commissioner Bubbers motioned to approve the March bills in the following amounts:

Corporate Fund	8,496.22
Recreation Fund	16,722.21
Retirement Fund	5,666.78
Liability Fund	41.00
Bond Construction #37 Fund	5,892.72
Museum Fund	19,054.76
Tee Ball Fund	5,439.57
Logan Park Fund	40.20
Bowman Park Fund	<u>137.79</u>
Total	61,491.25

Commissioner Logan seconded the motion, roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

The following is a listing of the Work Fare People from Coloma Township, Whiteside County Probation Office, Project Chance, Department of Human Services, Experience Works and Partnership for Employment that has worked for us the past month. Also included are the total days worked in 2019.

	Coloma TWP	Best	Probation Dept.	Whiteside County Housing	Dept. Human Services	Housing Authority	Partners/ Employment
Days in March	28	0	0	0	0	0	0
Days in 2019	56	0	0	0	0	0	0

Whiteside County Probation: none

Director Jedidiah Johnson reported that there are a couple of individuals that would like to have a discussion with the Park Board about the possibility of having a dog park within the district.

Director Jedidiah Johnson reported that the George Logan Memorial plaque has been received and transported to the Dote Brother's facility in Sycamore to be attached to the bench. The plaque and bench will be located just west of the fire truck in Centennial Park in honor of George Logan Sr. This project is planned to be completed this Spring (2019) and the Board needs to mark out the exact Location in order to begin the process of pouring the concrete slab.

Director Jedidiah Johnson gave an update on the concrete cracks at Sieglinger Park. He also provided a letter from Murray Excavation on when they could do the repairs.

Director Jedidiah Johnson reported that Cole's Tree's Service has started construction at all park sites and is getting to the trees that he can at this time. Due to the difficulty of our weather patterns we have experienced the time of his operation being hindered. Also, it is difficult to reach some areas with the softness of the turf without doing significant damage. Donny Cole has also informed us that he did have his skid loader and trailer stolen which has set him back even further. Coles Tree Service does still plan of having the work done by the contractual deadline.

Director Jedidiah Johnson reported that the Foreman Position is still open. Currently, there has not been any interest in this position. The Board needs to decide if this position will be posted or left open in order to monitor the maintenance operations performance with the vacancy.

Director Jedidiah Johnson gave an update on the New Park Shelter at Centennial Park. Both Wendler engineering and Sjostroms and Sons Met at the Park District office to discuss the project and any final details. It was mentioned at this meeting that the Construction will begin on April 1st, 2019. It was then set up with Dave Webber from Wendler Engineering to meet at the site the next day. When meeting with Dave at the site it was determined that the water level was too high to begin construction at this time. We will be in contact with both Wendler and Sjostroms and Sons to determine a start date.

Director Jedidiah Johnson reported that the Park Board discussed revising the Heath Insurance policy that the Park District currently holds at this time for their full-time employees. The Board also determined the Stipend amount that will be offered to all full-time employees in place of the current insurance policy. Commissioner Bubbers motioned to cancel the Park District Health Insurance Coverage with the State of Illinois effective July 1st, 2019. Effective July 1st, 2019 each Full Time Employee will receive a payment up to \$6,000.00 total per calendar year upon providing proper documentation to the Park District Bookkeeper. Commissioner Stindt seconded the motion, roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Director Jedidiah Johnson stated that the board needs to make a motion that it shall be allowed for the security officers patrolling our parks to be able to carry a fire arm as long as they are certified to do so. Commissioner Stindt motioned. Commissioner Logan seconded the motion, roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Director Jedidiah Johnson provided current wage documentation for the park Board review. No action taken.

Director Jedidiah Johnson reported that he is currently been looking in to different alternatives to purchase the supplies needed to run our maintenance operations in order to save funds. I believe that there is a good opportunity to cut back on expenses in some of these areas.

Director Jedidiah Johnson reported that the average prices on purchasing new paddle boats for Centennial Park are \$2,500.00 to \$3,000.00. There are currently 4 paddle boats that have been in use during the boating season. The Park District would be looking at spending \$12,000.00. However, it is important to note that these fiber glass paddle boats may not hold up nearly as well as the metal paddle boats that we have at this time. With the concrete retaining edge around the pond it is possible that it could crack or damage the fiberglass that is used to construct the more modern paddle boats. Commissioner Bubbers motioned to purchase 4 new paddle boats for Centennial Park. Commissioner Logan seconded the motion, roll call, vote, all ayes, motioned carried.

Director Jedidiah Johnson reported that Tee-ball registration has begun and returning participant's parents have been contacted and notified on the early registration. All this information has been placed on all the electronic and social resources that the Park District is

capable of. We Have had over 70 registrations at this time with T-Ball not beginning until the end of May.

Commissioner Stindt motion to approve Transfer of Appropriation Resolutions # 4-9-19-A and #4-9-19-B for the General Corporate Fund and the Recreation Fund respectively for the fiscal year 2018/2019. Commissioner Shipman seconded the motion, roll call, vote, all ayes, motioned carried.

The Park Board also discussed with Director Jedidiah Johnson the following items:

- A. Scrap and paint the bleachers at Sieglinger park.
- B. Check out the roadway at Bowman Park for erosion down to the lower dam.
- C. Also, check out the chain across the boat ramp at the east end of the lower dam park.
- D. Employee Evaluation Reports

Commissioner Bubbers motioned to go into executive session at 7:00 pm to discuss personnel. Commissioner Stindt seconded the motion, roll call, vote, all ayes, motioned carried. The Park Board discussed personnel items in executive session. Commissioner Shipman motioned to come out of the executive session. Commissioner Logan seconded the motion, roll call, all ayes, motioned carried. Executive session ended at 7:50 pm.

John Sigel resigned his position as President of the Park Board and nominated Vice President Robert Bubbers to take his place. He would fill the Vice President position if the Board so desires. Commissioner Shipman motioned to make this happen. Commissioner Logan seconded the motion, roll call, all ayes, motioned carried.

Director Jedidiah F. Johnson presented his monthly Director's Report to the board.

IPRA also submitted their monthly Meeting Minutes for our review.

The Park District has received weekly newsletters from Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce for our review.

Commissioner Logan motioned to adjourn the Park Board meeting.

Commissioner Shipman seconded the motion, roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14th, 2019 at the Park District office at 508 E. 11th Street, Rock Falls, Illinois.

Adjourned at 8:00 PM

Minutes Submitted by

Jedidiah F. Johnson

Director of Parks & Recreation

Date

Donald E. Stindt, Secretary

Coloma Township Park District

Board of Commissioners