

COLOMA TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 22, 2017

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Coloma Township Park District Board of Commissioners was postponed from its scheduled date of Tuesday, February 14, due to scheduling conflicts, as well as a scheduled vacation of Director Michael Sterba. 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, Walker, Sigel, Bubbers, and Stindt
Absent: None
Also Present: Michael P. Sterba, Director of Parks & Recreation

Commissioner Bubbers motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 10, 2017 as presented. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion, roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Commissioner Stindt motioned to approve the January 2017 bills in the following amounts:

Corporate Fund	\$	\$11,349.53
Audit Fund		10,218.48
Liability Fund		1,463.66
Recreation Fund		12,798.09
Retirement Fund		2,799.63
Bond Construction #36 Fund		8,742.51
Museum Fund		9,676.56
Police Fund		905.29
Total	\$	57,953.75

Commissioner Bubbers 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 total days worked in January and in 2017.

	Coloma TWP	Best	Probation Dept.	Whiteside County Housing	Dept. Human Services	Worker's Comp	Partners/ Employment
Days in January	3	0	12.5	1	0	0	0
Days in 2017	3	0	12.5	1	0	0	0

Director Michael P. Sterba reported there was nothing new to report since the last Park Board Meeting in regards to the Dillon Park ball diamond lights, and the Dillon Foundation Grant.

Director Michael P. Sterba reported there was nothing new to report since the last park board meeting in regards to the Jerry Celletti Memorial monument.

Director Michael P. Sterba reported that there was nothing new to report since the last Park Board meeting in regards to the Jack McCleary Memorial located at the south end of Centennial Park.

Director Michael P. Sterba reported that over the last month a couple of new developments have taken place in regards to the pedestrian bridge installation at the south end of Centennial Park. First, Wendler Engineering came and marked out where the concrete footings will be located on the ground. The marking will now allow us to place the footings in the exact locations they need to be when the weather and ground conditions are appropriate. Secondly,

Tom Rowzee has delivered the steel sides for the bridge. The maintenance crew will be priming and painting them, and Tom will then come back and install the sides on the bridge. The bridge will be ready for installation when the abutments are in place.

Director Michael P. Sterba reported that the Coloma Township Park District will hold an election on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 as required by law. Mrs. Linda Logan will be the only candidate listed on the ballot for a full 6 year term on the board. Linda Logan is the daughter-in-law of George Logan, who is tied to Logan Park.

Director Michael P. Sterba reported the IAPD/IPRA annual state conference was held Thursday through Saturday, January 19th through the 21st, 2017 at the Chicago Hilton. The conference was very informative, and Sterba believes very worthwhile in attending.

Commissioner Sigel gave an update on the Wallingford Park steel roofs. John and Sterba met with Nim Scanlan to review the process, and to try to finalize a work schedule when the weather breaks.

Director Michael P. Sterba reported that the new maintenance shop furnace has been installed by D& W Air Solutions of Rock Falls. We are now in the process of trying to secure the grant money from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs for purchasing an Energy Star furnace. Also, we have secured a rebate application through Nicor Gas to double our grant awards based on the efficiency of the furnace as well as keeping the gas furnace in place. Sterba will keep the Park Board updated on any new developments in regards to receiving the grant funds for the installation of the new maintenance shop furnace.

Director Michael P. Sterba presented copies of a check for \$7,056.65 from the Illinois Department of Revenue. The check represents the Park Districts December allotment of our Personal Property Replacement Tax.

Director Michael P. Sterba presented copies of a check for \$25 from the Whiteside County Court Services. The check represents the restitution payment made by Cordell Kiersey for damage done to the schoolhouse as well as other areas in Centennial Park.

Director Michael P. Sterba presented copies of some pictures of a 1920 Rock Falls ambulance that has recently come to the attention of the City of Rock Falls via the Park District. The pictures have been sent on to the Mayor, as well as the Tourism Committee to see if they may have any interest in purchasing the vehicle.

Director Michael P. Sterba reported that the Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, February 23, at 6:00pm at the Days Inn in Rock Falls. Anyone interested in attending should please let Sterba know so he can make the appropriate reservations.

Director Michael P. Sterba reported that the Park District received a proposal from Tru-Green on weeding and fertilizing certain areas of the district. Sterba needs to find out what other areas the Park Board would be interested in having fertilized or having weed killer applied so that he can secure other cost estimates as we go.

Director Michael P. Sterba presented copies of a Northwest Illinois Association of Park Districts salary survey recently compiled by the Oregon Park District.

Director Michael P. Sterba reported that he attended Judy Nehr Korn's service at Joe McDonald's, and it was very nice. Judy was cremated so of course there was no body shown. Her family, like they did for Donny, donated all of their memorial money in honor of Judy to the Park District. Thus far, the Park District has received \$1,164 for Judy's memorial. The Park Board can decide what to do with Donny and Judy Nehr Korn's memorial money in the future.

Director Michael P. Sterba presented the park maintenance project list – 5 year plan for the Park Board's review. We have a number of projects we need to discuss and to determine when it would be the appropriate time to engage the projects.

Director Michael P. Sterba presented copies of the Park District's vehicle analysis for the Park Board's review.

Director Michael P. Sterba presented copies of the Park District's equipment analysis for the Park Board's review.

Director Michael P. Sterba reported that as you may recall, a few years ago the Park District engaged Wendler Engineering of Dixon to do the engineering work at Sieglinger Park. The work includes tearing out all of the concrete around the concession stand and extending it out to the edge of the backstop all the way around the structure. Also, it includes putting in a fourth driveway which runs North and South between the A & D ball diamonds. That is the only non-hard surface area that does not meet ADA requirements. Our total estimated cost of the project in today's dollars is between \$43,000 and \$48,000, according to Wendler Engineering.

Director Michael P. Sterba presented copies of the annual Economic Interest Statements that must be filed by all elected officials in the county or in the state as required by law. He will file them with the Whiteside County clerk as soon as he has all of them accumulated.

Director Michael P. Sterba presented documents to the Park Board in regards to a backstop at Logan Park. The Park District has been contacted by Regina Henson of Commonwealth Edison in regards to the baseball backstop that sits in the northeast corner of the park. Currently, there are some high power lines that run along the east border, north and south, in Logan Park. Under some new FCC guidelines, Commonwealth Edison will be installing another set of powerlines along those poles, lower than the existing lines. By installing the new power lines, FCC says that the current baseball backstop is too close to the proposed lines. Therefore, Commonwealth Edison has requested the Park District to consider the relocation of the backstop. Sterba has been in conversation with Regina and told her that it would be a board decision. However, the park district was not going to pay to relocate or purchase a new backstop, and that responsibility would fall on Commonwealth Edison. Regina said that she understood and would like a proposal to her as soon as possible. First Sterba asked the park board to review the documents and to approve the relocation of a new backstop on the site. After a discussion among the park board member, Commissioner Walker motioned to allow Commonwealth Edison to relocate the current baseball backstop at the northeast corner of Logan Park and to bring it into compliance with FCC rules. Also any and all cost will be the responsibility of Commonwealth Edison. Commissioner Stindt seconded the motion, roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Director Michael P. Sterba presented his monthly Directors report to the Board.

IPRA also sent us their monthly Meeting Minutes for our review.

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

Commissioner Walker motioned to adjourn the Park Board Meeting. Commissioner Bubbers seconded the motion, roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 6:00 at the Park District Office located at 508 E. 11th Street Rock Falls, Illinois 61071.

Adjourned at 8:30 PM

Minutes Submitted by
Michael P. Sterba
Director of Parks & Recreation

Date

Donald E. Stindt, Secretary
Coloma Township Park District
Board of Commissioners