



Bourbonnais Township Park District
Board of Commissioners Committee of the Whole Board Meeting
Recreation Station
770 E Franklin Dr, Bradley, IL 60915
November 25, 2024

On November 25, 2024, President Zinanni called the Board of Commissioners Committee of the Whole Board Meeting to order at 5:30 pm with the following people present:

Commissioners Present: David Sadler, Dave Zinanni, Scott Chaplinski, Jeff Mullinax, and William Bukowski came in at 5:32 pm after roll call and Pledge of Allegiance had been done.

Appointees Present: Amanda Langlois- Board Secretary, Mike O'Shea- Executive Director, Jamie Boyd- Board Attorney, Rob Romo- Board Treasurer

Visitors: Cherie Smolkovich, Joe Galloy, Annie Scott, Kelli Brza, Mick Tomich, Jarod Tomich

Executive Director- report was submitted in the board packet. O'Shea stated that the Recreation Station information on generators is for information only at this time. We are also looking into improving the heating and air system at Willowhaven before we continue to decide what size/type of generator to go with. Chaplinski asked if we are looking into gas for heating/air? O'Shea stated we will do propane or natural gas. Galloy stated the geothermal has a leak and is causing issues at Willowhaven and that propane would be the best option. O'Shea continued with the Outdoor equipment topic. He stated that Annie Scott found a grant that may work for us and is working on it. Scott handed out information about the grant and stated it is a \$50,000 T-Mobile funded grant, and we would only have to pay \$13,351.00. The timeline is 12 months, we would know in March if we received it and we would proceed from there. Next on his agenda is the Perry Farm Maintenance roof which needs to be replaced. O'Shea is proposing that Bright Architect proceeds to start the design and bid specs. Mullinax noted it is fine if we do shingles or metal, it doesn't necessarily have to match the farm house. O'Shea then discussed the Perry Farm/KARMA path that was fixed this week. The project was proposed to cost approximately \$22,000. The Community Foundation agreed to pay \$10,000 so the board will vote tonight to pay the \$12,000. Since the contractor did not use the amount of stone as planned, the cost may be much less.

O'Shea introduced Mick Tomich and her husband Jarod from Mixdesigns. She started her presentation by handing out a spreadsheet of fee's, a timeline and a starter budget, and gave a brief explanation of the meetings that we have had with them of the improvements and ideas for the Exploration Station over the past 6 months. Mick explained her plan and did a power point for the board. The cost to design all areas inside the building will cost \$145,148.00. Mick finished her presentation and her and her husband left the meeting at 6:37 pm, as well as everyone else, except Smolkovich.

O'Shea continued with his report discussing the Perry Farm walking path. He stated he reached out to MG2A and in the board packet you will see where the path would go if the board decided to proceed.

Deputy Director- report was submitted in the board packet. Langlois stated that the board will vote on one small item to amend for the Park Rules, basically changing the wording from Village of Bradley to All Law Enforcement. She also noted that the contract for KVTa is included in their packet for Sleepy Hollow next year as well as the bus lease contract with BESD 53. Langlois then added that the board is invited to the Christmas Parade on December 6th, Christmas on the Farm on December 7th, and the staff Christmas luncheon on Dec 12th. She ended with the next meeting is quick, it is scheduled for December 16th, and it will start early, 5:20 pm, with a Budget Hearing. She will send an email as a reminder.

IT- report was submitted in the board packet, but Cianci was not present.

Finance & Personnel- the report was filed with the board packet. Brza needed to leave for another meeting and there were no questions or comments.

Bills & Payroll- there were no questions or comments.

Recreation- reports were submitted in the board packet and Smolkovich stated at the Halloween events we gave away coupons *buy one child get an adult free* in the Exploration Station, and we are now starting to see the coupons come through. She noted that they will keep track to see what kind of response we end up with. Chaplinski stated he was impressed with the Turkey Trot and has heard our events on the radio.

RVSRA- board packet was included with our packet, there were no questions or comments.

Living History- minutes from the meeting was submitted in the board packet.

Parks & Facilities- report was submitted in the board packet. Chaplinski thanked for the green light on the fountain, stated it is very festive.

Policy Review- nothing to report.

Public Comment- No Comment

Old Business- none

New Business- none

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mullinax, seconded by Sadler. All in favor. Motion carried. Adjourned at 6:48 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Amanda Langlois.


Amanda Langlois, Board Secretary
Minutes approved at the board meeting of December 16, 2024


Date