



Bourbonnais Township Park District
Board of Commissioners Committee of the Whole Board Meeting
Recreation Station
770 E Franklin Dr, Bradley, IL 60915
March 24, 2025

On February 24, 2025, 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

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

Visitors: Joe Galloy, Monalisa Keele, Megan Basham, Kelli Brza

Pledge of Allegiance

Basham and Keele gave a brief power point presentation about summer programs and events that the district will be providing in the next brochure, May through August. They did a great job!

Bukowski arrived at 5:37 pm during the presentation.

Executive Director- report was submitted in the board packet. O'Shea started explaining that the Kankakee Valley Park District agreement has not been utilized and we believe it is better if we talk with them and dissolve it. Boyd suggested O'Shea reach out to their Executive Director and determine if a dissolution is the right move. O'Shea continued explaining the RB Tree and Light handout showing cost and examples. Total cost would be \$45,864.80. He did say we would be able to have enough funds to cover it. He also mentioned that the cost of replacing the fence right in front of the Perry Farm House will be \$23,000. It may be covered in the grant, but if not, we do have funds to cover that as well. Sadler asked where would we store it and how would we be able to put it up and take it down? Would we need to rent a machine to do so? Chaplinski explained some ideas of Christmas lights and shows and stated adding each song to the list is an additional \$1500.00. Zinanni chimed in and stated he has seen light shows in other towns and there were always a ton of cars but of course, they were all huge shows, not just one or two items. Boyd suggested we talk to Mayor Watson, due to the fact we may need police patrol for traffic once this takes off. Bukowski liked the idea, would love for us to actually think out of the box. Mullinax stated he believes we need to spend the money in better places. He continued that the Exploration Station is in the process of being done and we don't have funds to complete what we would love to do, the sign in front of Perry Farm needs up dated, as it is deteriorating. After much discussion, it was determined that the board would have O'Shea purchase lights for the pavilion but table the Christmas lights proposal. O'Shea went on explaining to everyone that they have a packet with information about EV Charging stations. The company would utilize 10 spots and we would get 5% annually. We would do nothing for it, but supply the power. We would sign a 10-year lease. This is simply for discussion only tonight, as O'Shea is going to meet with the representative and get more information.

Deputy Director- report was submitted in the board packet and Langlois did not have anything else to add.

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

Finance & Personnel- Brza handed out the report at the beginning of the meeting, she has to leave early for another meeting.

Bills & Payroll- no questions or concerns were asked.

Recreation- reports were submitted in the board packet. No one was there to discuss anything further.

RVSRA- the report was submitted in the board packet along with their Advisory Committee Handbook.

Living History- no report was submitted.

Parks & Facilities- report was submitted in the board packet. Galloy had to leave early.

Policy Review- none.

Public Comment- No Comment


Old Business- none

New Business- none

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Chaplinski, seconded by Mullinax. All in favor. Motion carried. Adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Amanda Langlois.


Amanda Langlois, Board Secretary
Minutes approved at the board meeting of April 28, 2025


Date