



# **Kankakee Valley**

## **PARK DISTRICT**

### **Kankakee Valley Park District Committee Meeting Minutes May 13, 2019**

The Committee Meeting was called to order at pm by President Spriggs. Those present for roll call were Commissioner D. Mullady, D. Palmer, D. Skelly, B. Spriggs. Others present: Dayna Heitz, Executive Director; Melissa Woodard, Superintendent of Recreation, Rick Collins, Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds, Attorney John Coghlan, Angie Tousignant, Lisa Krenkel. Absent: A. Hollis

Public Present: NA

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

**Public Comment: NA**

**Written:** Included in your packet is communication. Also included the story in the paper from over the weekend from the woods at Splash Valley.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **Department Reports**

Rick Collins: Commissioner Skelly asked if park inspections are done every day? Every week. Commissioner Palmer asked about the tree debris about Cobb. It looks like they are mowing over them instead of picking them up. Commissioner Mullady asked about the Ice Valley issues? Stripe the parking lot, main rink ice has lights out, referee door won't shut, main locker room 1 won't stay shut. The striping of the lot is on our list of improvements. More lights have blown since they were replaced and will look at the doors. Commissioner Palmer talked about the trees at Cobb that didn't live. There is still money from what was donated last year.

Melissa Woodard: Spring softball is behind due to rain. Summer deadline was last Friday. Continue to keep up with monthly financials and paperwork. Any questions let her know. Commissioner Skelly asked how the numbers are compared to last year? A little lower than last year.

Angie Tousignant: Yesterday Ben Eager visited from the Blackhawks. He coached and signed autographs. The first sensory Sunday didn't have anyone. Commissioner Spriggs asked about the behavior with staff? Yes, for the most part. We have teenagers so it's a lot of babysitting. This is their first jobs. Commissioner Mullady asked if we give private lessons at 6am and what do you charge? \$8/half hour for figure skaters. Do you get a fee for that? Yes. Commissioner Mullady asked what your hours are? See 2 cars there early in the morning but not later in the day. Angie said most days she is working 7am-7pm. Director Heitz said she is administration and has other responsibilities. Commissioner Mullady asked why Jeff wasn't able to do the same thing? Angie carries liability insurance and certifications. Private lessons have been offered for hockey and our instructors do not want to pay for their certifications of insurance. Director Heitz said we are not going to get rid of figure skating to accommodate a user group. The private lessons are an extension of a KVPD program. Commissioner Spriggs said we aren't going to interrogate our staff. Commissioner Skelly asked about discounted rates. Director Heitz stated we have had prime and non-prime hours for at least a year. No one is booking or even inquiring. Commissioner Skelly has also had some of the same questions as Commissioner Mullady too. Would like to understand. Can we put it on the agenda for the next Committee meeting to discuss? Wants to know the numbers. Maybe Angie should have a chance to know what the questions are so she has a chance to prepare. Commissioner Palmer is confused. Could you put together an excel spreadsheet that has time slots and show what is figure skating and what is hockey. Director Heitz said it has to be shown based on classes. Hockey is strictly fall, winter, spring and they are a user group. Angie had called other rinks in the past to see how they manager figure skating/hockey and will get you that info. Commissioner Skelly said Angie, please don't feel like it's an attack, just trying to understand.

Dayna Heitz: Current financials, 30 days left in month of May. Some large checks going out but they were preapproved. Did meet with KCC and are working on the fitness center agreement and the signage at River Road. Commissioner Mullady asked if the volleyball courts will be open and run leagues? Hope to.

Splash Valley had a pre-bid meeting. 6 companies are on the list. We will narrow it down to 3. Bids will return by the 24<sup>th</sup>. They will be interviewed and do a walk through. They have to meet several qualifications with the state. Commissioner Palmer asked with the construction management, going back to when it was built was there a construction manager? Not sure. Commissioner Spriggs said they hired someone and there wasn't any supervision. It seemed like it was thrown together. Director Heitz said some of the issues are the cement but also that it wasn't closes properly. They will do some of the construction too as well as being the construction manager. They are paid off our bid for the total job. Commissioner Palmer just doesn't want us to get in the situation where we have work done but they those people are

gone. Commissioner Spriggs said prior administration didn't have aquatic experience. Dayna has both certifications in aquatics. As long as she is watching it, I'm good. Dayna said there will be 2 CPO's and AFOs on staff.

We will be putting a fence up around the cemetery behind Splash Valley. Gate will be installed. Alpiner will be getting new siding and roof and Bird roof will be repairs.

The bid for the Old Ball Diamond road came in lower. Commissioner Spriggs asked if we have someone as a host? Yes, he was a camper there a lot last year.

### **COMMISSIONERS FORUM**

Commissioner Skelly commended Dayna for the projects we have going. Didn't think we would have so much going but it shows that our money is right. Nice to get Alpiner and Band Shell done. He brought up his objection to charging Aroma Park and not for the summer group at Pioneer. Would have liked to see Aroma Park get it for free too.

Commissioner Palmer said we have talked about some of the leases we have, what's the status? Director Heitz did go over to day care center. Waiting to find out who to talk to at housing authority but did get the phone number for who runs the day care. Commissioner Palmer said we own the building and they have done improvements. What if we sold that part of the property? Attorney Coghlan said we have to go to court to be able to sell property.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

NA

### **ADJOURN MEETING**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 5:45pm by Commissioner Skelly, seconded by Commissioner Mullady. Upon voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

### **OFFICIAL REPORTS:**

1. R. Collins
2. M. Woodard
3. A. Tousignant
4. D. Heitz

Respectfully submitted by: Melissa Woodard