

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PLEASURE DRIVEWAY AND PARK DISTRICT OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS, HELD AT 6:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2005 AT THE PEORIA PARK DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, GLEN OAK PAVILION, 2218 N. PROSPECT ROAD, PEORIA, ILLINOIS.

President Timothy J. Cassidy presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Trustees Allen, Johnson, Ryan, Vice President Petty and President Cassidy.

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Trustees Budzinski and Cummings.

STAFF PRESENT: Director Noble, V. Joyce McLemore, Attorney Jim Konsky, Mike Baietto, Jan Budzynski, Chief Bob James, Dennis Mantick, Shalessie Pie, Bill Roeder, Rebecca Swiger, Dave Wheeler, Bill Woolard, Joe Atkinson, Ray Boyer, Debbie Fetters, Mike Friberg, Dale Goodner, Christina Kieffer and Mike Miller.

PRESS PRESENT: Sarah Sutton, Journal Star.

OTHERS PRESENT: Randy Goyen and James Lohrenz, Altorfer Rents, 601 W. Washington, East Peoria IL; Oneita Volz, League of Women Voters, 2038 W. Delray, Peoria; Mike Rucker, 1003 W. Centennial, Peoria; Steve Shostrom, 101 NE Roanoke, Peoria; Philip Lockwood, Peoria.

IPRA/IAPD COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD: President Cassidy announced presentation of IAPD/IPRA Community Service Award and asked Bill Roeder, Superintendent of RiverFront Events to introduce award recipients.

Altorfer Rents is a tremendous corporate citizen, lending behind-the-scenes support for RiverFront events. Large-scale special events demand lifting equipment to put up and take down tents and scaffold. President Cassidy offered the Board and Administration's thanks and presented the award to Randy Goyen and James Lohrenz of **ALTORFER RENTS**.

MINUTES: No corrections or additions and **VICE PRESIDENT PETTY MOVED TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 10, 2005 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. Motion seconded by Trustee Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES DISPOSITION: **TRUSTEE JOHNSON MOVED TO APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DISPOSITION OF THE MINUTES OF CLOSED (EXECUTIVE SESSION) MEETINGS. Motion seconded by Trustee Allen and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: **Recognition of Forest Park Nature Center Staff**
Director Noble applauded and recognized **CHRISTINA KIEFFER, DEBBIE FETTERS AND MIKE MILLER** for their quick and professional response in rescuing a hiker who suffered a broken leg at Forest Park Nature Preserve.

PARKS DIVISION: Superintendent Baietto presented the July division report. Vice President Petty asked how staff prioritized work orders. Superintendent Baietto stated safety is first priority, followed by program activity, followed by emergency repair. Trustee Johnson complimented Parks staff on the good looking appearance of parks and asked staff to note M.L. King Jr. Park entrance and trim shrubs that have grown up and obscured the park sign.

RIVERFRONT DIVISION: Superintendent Roeder presented the division report and highlighted the success of River City Soul Fest that featured The Harlem Gospel Choir. Vice President Petty noted the stage used for

performers was better this year than in previous years. Roeder concurred the tech was better and the canvass over-head kept rain off. Trustee Johnson complimented staff for their excellent work.

Erin Feis

Roeder encouraged trustees to attend this weekend's Erin Feis being held August 26-28, 2005.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

BILLS

TRUSTEE ALLEN REPORTED THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HAD EXAMINED THE BILLS AND FOUND THEM TO BE CORRECT AND MOVED THAT THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE ORDERS ON THE TREASURER FOR THE SEVERAL AMOUNTS. Motion seconded by Trustee Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)

Peoria Park District Friday, August 19, 2005

GENERAL	180,231.35
RECREATION	128,111.05
AUDIT	87.50
LIABILITY	1,378.51
MUSEUM	16,615.23
POLICE	2,062.69
BONDED PROJECTS	19,869.42
PAVING & LIGHTING	3,225.51
RIVERFRONT EVENTS	22,484.53
DETWEILLER MARINA	11,312.14
GOLF	70,981.98
HISRA	5,166.22
RIVERPLEX	48,471.97
TOTAL PAYABLES:	509,998.10

PAYROLL #16 \$523,828.85

Trustee Allen presented minutes of the Finance meeting held Wednesday, August 10, 2005.

GOLF ADVISORY AD HOC COMMITTEE:

Vice President Petty presented minutes of the July 25, 2005 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

ANNEXATION ORDINANCE: 3825 W. CHARTER OAK ROAD – 16 ACRES

This recommended action follows City annexation of the identified land parcel. Administrative Assistant David Wheeler presented an ordinance for annexing land under Paragraph 1205/3-10 of Chapter 70 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes of 2000, commonly known as the Park District Code. The annexation will add 16 acres of area to the Peoria Park District.

With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE ALLEN MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE ANNEXING 16 ACRES LOCATED AT THE TEMPORARY ADDRESS OF 3825 WEST CHARTER OAK ROAD, PEORIA, ILLINOIS. Motion seconded by Trustee Johnson and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

President Cassidy removed agenda item #7 from the Calendar of Consent.

AGENDA ITEM #7:

BID: TRAIL DEVELOPMENT-ROCK ISLAND/PIMITEQUI TRAIL EXTENSION

Planner Mike Friberg presented a map of the entire trail, pointing out the specific trail portion at Pioneer Parkway to Knoxville Avenue. The Peoria Park District has received funding assistance of \$200,000 from IDNR/Illinois Bicycle Path Program for the section of trail from Pioneer

Parkway to Knoxville Avenue. This bid contract will include trail development work between Pioneer Parkway and Candletree Street, the only section of trail able to be completed before Kellar Branch rails are removed. Work includes an average 10' wide asphalt multi-use trail, barrier fencing, street crossings, and utility work. The work will take place in the R.O.W. of Pioneer Parkway, Sommer Street, and Candletree Street.

Discussion followed with questions raised concerning pedestrian crossing signs at Pioneer Parkway, pedestrian bridge at Knoxville Avenue and the engineering work being done now by Randolph & Associates Engineering, to federalize the grant.

With staff recommendation, **TRUSTEE JOHNSON MOVED TO ACCEPT THE LOW QUALIFIED BID TOTALING \$90,990 FROM P.A. ATHERTON FOR TRAIL DEVELOPMENT-ROCK ISLAND/PIMITEOUI TRAIL EXTENSION, PIONEER PARKWAY TO CANDLETREE STREET. Motion seconded by Trustee Allen and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

Mike Rucker, 1003 W. Centennial, Peoria, requested to address the Board and was recognized by President Cassidy. Mr. Rucker stated there is volunteer support for the Park District and the trail and he would like to see a meeting scheduled in the near future with the trail users and volunteers. Certainly when the trail is done it will be a major community asset. Mr. Rucker spoke of a trail-related conference he and Steve Shostrom attended in Minnesota. Mr. Rucker offered staff promotional materials from Cross Alert Systems, a vendor providing signage and lights at pedestrian crossings. Rucker also noted federal funding is available for such crossings via Safe Routes to School grant program.

Director Noble thanked Mr. Rucker and other biking/hiking trail supporters and noted their prior help and encouragement for lighting the pedestrian tunnel located underneath Route 6.

President Cassidy requested staff schedule a meeting regarding the trail with community leaders. Director Noble will contact members of the Rock Island Trail Committee.

PENDING BUSINESS:

None.

CITIZEN REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Steve Shostrom, 101 NE Roanoke, Peoria, spoke in support of the trail and noted the number of years (since 1970) trail advocates have been involved with the project. Mr. Shostrom believes things are moving along and thanked the Park District Board of Trustees for their loyalty to the trail idea.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Communications were received as submitted.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:30 P.M., D.S.T., upon conclusion of agenda items, **VICE PRESIDENT PETTY MOVED TO ADJOURN . Motion seconded by Trustee Ryan and carried on unanimous voice vote. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays)**

President Cassidy declared the meeting adjourned.

V. Joyce McLemore
Secretary, Board of Trustees