

# EXCELSIOR SPRINGS PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**JANUARY 21, 2014**

The Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Department Board meeting held January 21, 2014 was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Sharon Powell.

Roll call was taken with 8 board members present.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sharon Powell, President; Christy Marker, Vice President; Susan McAuliffe, Secretary-Treasurer; Sherri Branson-Hurt; Theresa Henson; Dennis Lollar; Jody Pasalich; Scott Smith There are eight board members present. Zac Ganzer arrived at 7:08. There are now nine board members present.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Zac Ganzer - arrived at 7:08 p.m.

**CITY COUNCIL LIAISON:** Reggie St. John arrived at 7:52 p.m. after the City Council meeting

**STAFF PRESENT:** Katie Noyd, Director; Janet Morehead, Administrative Assistant – Office

**VISITORS:** none

Sharon Powell asked for consideration of the agenda. Sharon would like to add to New Business – D. Director's Evaluation.

Sherri Branson-Hurt made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Susan McAuliffe seconded the motion, motion passed, 8 – 0.

Christy Marker made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2013 Parks and Recreation Board meeting as written. Jody Pasalich seconded the motion, motion passed, 6 – 0 – 2. A show of hands vote was taken. Ayes – Dennis Lollar, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jody Pasalich, Sharon Powell, Scott Smith Nays – 0 Abstentions – 2 – Sherri Branson-Hurt and Theresa Henson were not in attendance at the December 17, 2013 Parks and Recreation Board meeting.

The financial report was discussed. The fraud charges on the credit card have been resolved.

Zac Ganzer arrived at 7:08. There are now nine board members here.

After further discussion, Susan McAuliffe made the motion to approve the December 31, 2013 expenditures prepared January 7, 2014 as received. Christy Marker seconded the motion, motion passed, 9 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken. Ayes: Sherri Branson-Hurt, Zac Ganzer, Theresa Henson, Dennis Lollar, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jody Pasalich, Sharon Powell, Scott Smith Nays – 0

## **STAFF REPORTS**

Katie reported that everyone is getting back in the swing of things after the holidays.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Parks Committee met tonight before the Board meeting to review the fitness park equipment bids. They have a recommendation and will present it to the Board in New Business.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Katie Noyd gave an update on the proposed Community Center. There will be an Open House on February 5, 2014 at the Excelsior Springs High School Commons from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. There will be artist renderings of the facility, building material samples, etc. available for viewing. There will also be people available to answer questions.

Unregistered Excelsior Springs' citizens need to register to vote by March 12. In Excelsior Springs, citizens can register to vote at the Mid Continent Public Library or the License Bureau.

Sherry Branson-Hurt asked if anyone has talked to the seniors at the Excelsior Springs High School about registering to vote and voting on April 8. Katie will pass this on to the Community Center committee.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Three bids were received for a 2014 utility vehicle with a bed. The Parks and Recreation Department will be trading in the 2000 Honda four-wheeler. The three bids and trade-in value are as follows: Professional Turf Products – Workman MDX - \$17,273.79, no trade-in for a cost of \$17,273.79; Ag Power – John Deere XUV 625i - \$16,389.16 with a trade-in value of \$1,500 for cost of \$14,889.16; Heritage Tractor – John Deere XUVi – \$16,674.63 with a trade-in value of \$300.00 for a cost of \$16,374.63. Discussion was held.

The Power Guard Protection Plan was discussed. It could be purchased for extra monies. Katie brought it up to the Board for discussion.

Susan McAuliffe made the motion to accept the bid from Ag Power Inc. for the purchase of a 2014 Susan John Deere XUV 625i for \$16,389.16 with a trade-in of the 2000 Honda 4x4 for \$1,500 and at the Director's discretion the purchase of the Powergard Protection for 36 months/600 hours for \$348.00. Scott Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 – 0. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Sherri Branson-Hurt, Zac Ganzer, Theresa Henson, Dennis Lollar, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jody Pasalich, Sharon Powell, Scott Smith Nays – 0

Discussion was held on the fitness equipment for the new park at Brunke and Lynn Roads. The Recreation Committee recommended that the bid from Fry & Associates, Inc. for fitness equipment be submitted to the Capital Improvements Authority for funds to purchase and install this equipment in the new park. They also recommended that an ADA accessible feature be purchased and installed in this park. Katie will get prices for the feature.

Katie will be submitting the request for funding for the purchase and installation of this equipment to the Capital Improvements Authority next month if that is what the board decides.

Discussion continued. A fitness park has been talked about for a number of years. Zac Ganzer and Scott Smith wonder if the fitness equipment will be used enough to warrant the purchase of it. Christy Marker felt that this park would be the logical place to put a fitness area.

Katie Noyd asked if the Board wanted to recommend to the Capital Improvement Authority for funding for the Fry & Associates Inc. bid for purchase and installation of fitness equipment and an ADA accessible feature for the new park at Brunke and Lynn Roads.

Reggie St. John arrived at the meeting at 7:52 p.m. after the City Council meeting.

Susan McAuliffe made the motion to recommend to the Capital Improvement Authority the purchase of the Playworld fitness system from Fry & Associates, Inc. with the addition of an ADA accessible feature for the new park at Brunke and Lynn Roads. Jody Pasalich seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 2. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes – 7: Sherri Branson-Hurt, Theresa Henson, Dennis Lollar, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jody Pasalich, Sharon Powell, Nays – 2: Zac Ganzer, Scott Smith

A name for the new park at Brunke and Lynn Roads was discussed. Various suggestions were made including the following: Rainbow Fitness Park, Flab to Fab Park, Pot of Gold Park, Rainbow Trail's End Park, Six Pack Park, Lucky Charms Park, etc.

Discussion was held on the naming of the park. It was decided to use social media to generate a list of names and that the Parks and Recreation Board would make the final

decision on the name. Name suggestions will be taken for one week. Katie would like to have the park named so that the name will be on the paperwork when the equipment recommendation goes to the Capital Improvement Authority.

President Sharon Powell distributed Director Evaluation forms to the board members. She asked them to fill them out and return them to her and she will compile the numbers and comments and bring them back to the next board meeting. Sharon would like to have a closed session on the agenda next month for A. Director's Evaluation, B. Personnel.

## **OPEN DISCUSSION**

Katie announced to the Board that the Parks and Recreation Foundation and the Excelsior Springs Rotary Club will be hosting a Trivia Night on February 21 at the Montgomery. There are six or less on a team. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. There will be ten rounds with ten questions per round. A meal and snacks will be provided with a cash bar available.

Calendars are available, please help yourself.

The Community Center Open House and the Trivia Night will need to be posted as Parks and Recreation Board meetings because there will probably be more than five board members at each event.

Theresa Henson made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Susan McAuliffe seconded the motion, motion passed, 9 – 0. A voice vote was taken. Ayes: Sherri Branson-Hurt, Zac Ganzer, Theresa Henson, Dennis Lollar, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jody Pasalich, Sharon Powell, Scott Smith Nays – 0 Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.