

MINUTES

Carbondale Park District

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE CARBONDALE PARK DISTRICT HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018 AT 5:30 PM AT THE CARBONDALE CIVIC CENTER, 200 S. ILLINOIS AVE., CARBONDALE.

ROLL CALL: Upon Roll Call, the following commissioners were Present: Coleman, Erickson, and Hollister. Commissioner Absent: Flowers and Welch. Staff present: Childers, Day, Green, Lewis, Renfro, Robinson and Legal Counsel, Mike Twomey. Staff Absent: Burns and Keller. Guest Present: Some guests were presents.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: It was then moved by Commissioner Coleman and seconded by Commissioner Hollister to approve the agenda as printed. Upon roll call vote the following Commissioners voting aye: Coleman, Erickson, and Hollister. Commissioner Absent: Flowers and Welch. Vice-President Erickson ordered the motion passed.

ACTION TAKEN: The Agenda was approved as printed.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE: George Sheffer, Carbondale resident expressed his concern about the District's increasing their property tax. Director Renfro explained that the 5% increase that staff is requesting doesn't increase the tax base. It allows the District to capture new property within the first year. The Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL) indicates that the tax base can only be increase by the addition of NEW property, but only in the first year of the increase. With no others coming forward it was then moved by Commissioner Hollister and seconded by Commissioner Coleman to close the public hearing. Upon roll call voted the following Commissioners voting aye: Coleman, Erickson, and Hollister. Commissioner Absent: Flowers and Welch. Vice-President Erickson ordered the motion passed.

ACTION TAKEN: The public hearing was closed.

CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS: None.

REPORTS OF PARK DISTRICT CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Administration and Finance Advisory Committee - Vice-President Erickson reported that the committee had a joint meeting with the Grounds, Facilities and Recreation Committee on November 19th. The September financial report was reviewed and Ed Robinson provided a report on the Operational and Maintenance expenses for the Life Center. Jason Hartz, childcare advisory member and also a data analyst at SIU agreed to work with the Grounds Committee to assist in developing future data points for the committee's consideration.

Aquatic Center Advisory Committee - - Vice-President Erickson reported the committee had meet and discussed the upcoming IVAS Blue Christmas Concert.

Child Care Advisory Committee - - Commissioner Coleman reported the committee is thriving very well. They have had consistent participation and the parents are helping to purchase a key pad for the AWECC \$739.00 has been raised.

Golf Advisory Committee - - This report will be given along with the Golf Superintendent's reports.

Grounds, Facilities & Recreation Advisory Committee - - This report was given along with the Administration and Finance Committee Report.

Treasurer's Report: No Report.

Directors Report: Vice-President Erickson reported that acting Director Flowers had been meeting with staff on a regular basis regarding the 2019 budget. He's been attending the planning meetings for the Lights Fantastic Parade. The weather was the best in several years and the parade went well, with 57 entries, including 11 bands and a variety of floats.

Superintendent's Reports:

GOLF OPERATIONS SUPERINTENDENT: Mike Day reported on the Golf Operation revenue and rounds of golf comparisons for October and November of 2017 and 2018. The Annual Passholder letters will be going out and the course website will be back up this week. The monthly outing included, the veterans outing, IHSA boys sectional and SIU Pad Law.

GOLF MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT: Mike Green reported that October started off with the high school boys regional so they delayed aerification of the greens. The last granular fertilizer was applied to the greens for the season and staff began edging all the bunkers for the end of the season. In November all the part time employees were laid off for the season. Staff is still mowing greens once a week throughout the month. The fountain from the pond and the ball washers has been brought in for the winter. The mechanic has been winterizing some of the equipment along with some little touchups. The Acid injection system has been winterized and the irrigation system has been blown out for the winter.

PARK MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT: Ed Robinson reported that in October trash was being pickup on a regular basis along with cleaning restrooms and shelters. Soccer season is over and soccer fields have been overseeded for next year. Staff met with the reps from Westport pools and learned more about the winterization of the SSP. Staff did other repairs and maintenance at various park district locations. The mechanic worked on some of the trucks that need repair for next year. Cabs have been installed on two of the John Deere mowers to assist in removal of snow for the winter.

CHILDCARE SUPERINTENDENT: The superintendent was absent but her report was included in the packet for AWECC and Kids Korner.

RECREATION SUPERINTENDENT: Jane Childers reported on the October and November programming, Revenue and number of swimmers. One new class has been added and that is Zumba. Staff met with SIU Recreation Center regarding hosting a Deep Water Workout class. Staff attend the Sunset Concert and Mainstreet Meetings.

After hearing all reports it was then moved by Commissioner Coleman and seconded by Commissioner Hollister to accept the reports to be placed on file. Upon roll call vote, the following Commissioner voted aye: Coleman, Erickson, and Hollister. Commissioners Absent: Flowers and Welch. Vice-President Erickson ordered the motion passed.

ACTION TAKEN: The Board accepted the reports to be placed on file.

CONSENT AGENDA: It was then moved by Commissioner Coleman and seconded by Commissioner Hollister to approve the consent agenda as presented. Upon roll call vote, the following Commissioner voted aye: Coleman, Erickson, and Hollister. Commissioners Absent: Flowers and Welch. Vice-President Erickson ordered the motion passed.

ACTION TAKEN: The consent agenda was approved as presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE: Having discussed this earlier in the agenda during the public hearing and with all questions asked and answered it was then moved by Commissioner Hollister and seconded by Commissioner Coleman to approve the 5% property tax increase. Upon roll call vote, the following Commissioner voted aye: Coleman, Erickson, and Hollister. Commissioners Absent: Flowers and Welch. Vice-President Erickson ordered the motion passed.

ACTION TAKEN: The Board approved the proposed 5% property tax increase.

DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF TAX LEVY ORDINANCE 18-01: Vice-President Erickson introduced this agenda item and explained that the 5% property tax increase is shown in this Levy. With all questions asked and answered it was moved by Commissioner Coleman and seconded by Commissioner Hollister to approve Tax Levy Ordinance 18-01. Upon roll call vote, the following Commissioner voted aye: Coleman, Erickson, and Hollister. Commissioners Absent: Flowers and Welch. Vice-President Erickson ordered the motion passed.

ACTION TAKEN: The Board approve Tax Levy Ordinance 18-01.

DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF TAX ABATEMENT ORDINANCE 18-02: Vice-President Erickson introduced this agenda item. Director Renfro explained that this was an ordinance abating taxes levied for 2018 and this is something that has been done on a yearly basis. With all questions asked and answered it was then moved by Commissioner Hollister and seconded by Commissioner Coleman to approve Tax Abatement Ordinance 18-02. Upon roll call vote, the following Commissioner voted aye: Coleman, Erickson, and Hollister. Commissioners Absent: Flowers and Welch. Vice-President Erickson ordered the motion passed.

DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 18-03: Director Renfro explained that the Resolution with the Jackson County Enterprise Zone covers new construction, renovation or rehabilitation within the enterprise zone. Mrs. Jane Adams asked if the district had any property in the Enterprise Zone. Director Renfro said the district does have a small parcel of land in the Enterprise Zone. After a brief discussion and with all questions asked and answered it was then moved by Commissioner Coleman and seconded by Commissioner Hollister to Approve Resolution No. 18-03. Upon roll call vote, the following Commissioner voted aye: Coleman, Erickson, and Hollister. Commissioners Absent: Flowers and Welch. Vice-President Erickson ordered the motion passed.

ACTION TAKEN: The Board approved Resolution No. 18-03.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS: Video Gaming License, Dog Park Agreement, and 2019 Budget.

BOARD COMMENTS: Vice-President Erickson spoke on the issues with the City of Carbondale and the referendum that are wanting to put on the ballot for the April 2nd election.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business it was moved by Commissioner Hollister and seconded by Commissioner Coleman to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call, the following commissioners voted aye: Coleman, Erickson, and Hollister. Commissioners Absent: Flowers and Welch. President Flowers ordered the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.