

Belvidere Township Park District
Board Meeting
April 23, 2019

Minutes

The Belvidere Township Park District Board of Commissioners board meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m. Roll call was taken. Those present were Sam An, Eric Dahl, Paul McCaffrey, Jean Twyning and Mary Marquardt. Also present were Mark Pentecost, Rick Wulbecker, Todd Bex, Kim Kirkpatrick and Debbie Kent.

Meeting Agenda

Jean Twyning made a motion to approve the April 23, 2019 meeting agenda, seconded by Eric Dahl. A voice vote was taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes

Jean Twyning made a motion to approve the April 9, 2019 meeting minutes, seconded by Eric Dahl. Jean Twyning, Eric Dahl, Sam An and Mary Marquardt voted yes. Paul McCaffrey abstained. Motion carried.

Director's Report

Mark Pentecost received an e-mail from State Representative Joe Sosnowski asking for feedback on possible transportation infrastructure projects for discussion at the Appropriations Capital Committee. Mark expressed the failing infrastructure of the district's roads, paths and parking lots.

Mark met with Russel Caldwell, owner of Sips and Sprinkles, to discuss our long-range planning of the parking lot the district recently acquired located at 209 W. Locust Street. Both parties agreed on a permit issuance for them to continue storing their dumpster on park district property with the understanding that the park district can utilize the dumpster for park trash. The park district will determine the location of the dumpster. Sips and Sprinkles will pay for the dumpster. The park district will ask for a certificate of liability insurance.

Response to the Request for Interest Reimbursement from Boone County

Mark Pentecost received a letter from Karl Johnson, Boone County Chairman, responding to the park district's request for 50% reimbursement of the additional interest incurred from the County's error during the levy extension process in 2018. The Clerk maintains that she did receive a levy and one bond, and she states the park district said that they filed the levy and two bonds. This statement is incorrect. The district filed one levy and one bond.

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The board would like Mark to respond to the letter and send a copy to the County Clerk, Treasurer, County Chairman and the County Financial Committee Chairman. The letter will state that we continually request an increased amount of review time to correct any possible errors and secondly point out the incorrect statements in the letter.

Once taxing bodies receive their tax comp report, they only have 4 days to respond and make changes. Once again, this year, when Mark received the tax comp report, the Bond and Interest Fund showed zero. Mark met with Julie Stapler immediately to get it corrected.

2019 Farm Lease

The farm lease is with Grant Anderson to continue farming 25.5 acres at the Glenn Green property. He agreed to \$150.00 an acre for a total of \$3,825.00.

Jean Twyning made a motion to approve the 2019 Farm Lease with Grant Anderson to farm 25.5 acres of land at Glenn Green Open Space for the sum of \$3,825.00, seconded by Paul McCaffrey. A roll call vote was taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.

Easement Agreement for Sanitary Sewer

Mark Pentecost provided the board with a revised copy of the Conditions for granting an easement. These conditions would apply to all easements going forward.

Jean Twyning made a motion to adopt the Conditions of Easement as presented on April 23, 2019, seconded by Eric Dahl. A voice vote was taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Submitted by
Debbie Kent