

**BARRINGTON COUNTRYSIDE PARK DISTRICT  
P.O. BOX 1393  
BARRINGTON, IL 60011**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Commissioners December 12, 2007**

Richard called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M.

Commissioners present were:

Richard Lamkey, President

Jean Maddrell, Vice President

Peter Wessel, Treasurer

John Rosene, Secretary

Maureen Crump, Communications

Also present: Rosemary Nero, Administrative Assistant

Audience/Residents: Clark Benkendorf, Karen Selman, Lorelei Benkendorf, Arnold

Cernick, Holly Jauch, Renay Jauch, Fred McMorris, Karen Rosene, Katy Boldt

**Motions:**

Motion to authorize use of the Barrington Countryside Park District name as an affiliated organization on the letterhead of the Friends of the Spring Creek Forest Preserves was made by Peter and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to accept the November 14, 2007 Park Board minutes was made by Peter and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report ending November 30, 2007 was made by John and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to revise the lease to add an additional one year extension/term to the overall lease with a rent increase to \$2250.00 per month and to strike out language that requires that the tenant pay any property taxes accrued to the park district by reason of the tenancy was made by Peter and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to table the bag tag policy until the March meeting was made by John and seconded by Maureen.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to change the live date of the pilot trainer policy from January to 'open' was made by John and seconded by Peter.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to comply with the Smoke Free Illinois Act (Public Act 95-17) effective January 1, 2008 was made by Peter and seconded by John.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

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Motion to create the Park Board 2008 meeting schedule was made by Peter and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to change the cap of the rebate program, from \$140.00 maximum family allowance to \$70.00 maximum family allowance effective for 2008 was made by Peter and seconded by John.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to accept the tentative 2008 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance and to schedule the Public Budget and Appropriation Hearing for January 16, 2008 was made by Peter and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to have a one day Commissioners retreat to be held before February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008, organized by Jean was made by Maureen and seconded by Peter.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to increase Octavio Huerta's pay rate by \$1.00 effective the start date December 16<sup>th</sup> 2007 was made by Maureen and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to increase Rosemary Nero's pay rate by \$1.50 effective the start date December 16<sup>th</sup> 2007 was made by Maureen and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 pm was made by Peter and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

**Management Board Report:**

1. M.B. discussed the winter riding schedule.
2. M.B. discussed creating a policy to handle complaints.
3. M.B. discussed salting and snow removal
4. M.B. discussed setting up and taking down a jumper course.
5. M.B. discussed the quotes from the electrical companies.

**Commissioners Discussion:**

Karen Selman presented information about the Friends of the Spring Creek Forest Preserve, including its history, vision, goals and mission.

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Commissioners had a general discussion about the Friends of the Spring Creek Forest Preserve and agreed to be a supporting organization.

Commissioners had a general discussion about the finances and the 2008 tentative budget.

Commissioners discussed the Hunt House lease and agree to extend the overall time of the lease as requested by the tenant. Commissioners agreed to not require the tenant to pay real estate taxes if applicable.

Commissioners discussed the 2008 Property Tax Exempt Affidavit required by the Cook County Assessor's office.

Commissioners had a general discussion about developing a policy to handle various complaints and concerns of residents and users.

Commissioners had a general discussion about some of the maintenance issues at the Riding Center. Some of the topics included dragging of the arena, moving jumps, lying salt and snow removal.

Commissioners had a general discussion about the final evaluation of the electrical companies and agree to continue using Greco at this time.

Commissioners had a general discussion about the newsletter.

Commissioners had a brief discussion about the bag tag policy.

Commissioners had a general discussion about the trainer policy and accepted comments and questions from the audience. Fees, insurance, scheduling, monitoring, licenses, registration, and other topics were discussed. Commissioners agree to extend the deadline for implementing a trainer policy.

Commissioners had a discussion about the role of the Park Board, Management Board, residents and users in developing policies for the Park District.

Commissioners had a general discussion about the Management Board Agreement.

Commissioners had a general discussion about the set of rules for the Riding Center.

Commissioners had as general discussion about the Smoke Free Illinois Act.

Commissioners had a general discussion about the rebate program and reviewed the average taxes paid by the residents. Commissioners agree to adjust and lower the maximum family rebate effective 2008.

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Commissioners discussed having an extended meeting some day in January or February to focus on as strategic long term plan.

Commissioners had a general discussion and reviewed employees Octavio Huerta and Rosemary Nero. Commissioners agree to give a bonus and a rate increase to each employee.

Meeting adjourned 11:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John Rosene