

BARRINGTON COUNTRYSIDE PARK DISTRICT

P.O. BOX 1393

BARRINGTON, IL 60011

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Commissioners February 15, 2007

Richard called the meeting to order at 7:20 P.M.

Commissioners present were:

Richard Lamkey, President

Jean Maddrell, Vice President

Fred McMorris, Secretary

Maureen Crump, Communications

Peter Wessel, Treasurer

Also present:

Rosemary Nero, Administrative Assistant

John Rosene, Juanita Lamkey, Residents

Richard Calfa, Insurance Agent

Motions:

Motion to accept the Park Board minutes of the January 18, 2007 meeting was made by Jean and seconded by Maureen.

5 ayes

0 nays

0 absent

Motion to accept the Public Hearing minutes of the January 18, 2007 meeting was made by Jean and seconded by Maureen.

5 ayes

0 nays

0 absent

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report ending January 31, 2007 was made by Fred and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes

0 nays

0 absent

Motion to accept the Care of Trees proposal for the magnolia trees was made by Maureen and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes

0 nays

0 absent

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 pm was made by Peter and seconded by Fred.

5 ayes

0 nays

0 absent

Management Board Report:

Management Board meeting was cancelled because three members were unable to attend.

Commissioners Discussion:

The Illinois Park and Recreation Association and the Illinois Association of Park Districts along with the Barrington Countryside Park District presented the Community Service Award to Richard Lamkey, Fred, McMorris and Gregg Goslin, in recognition and appreciation of outstanding contributions for the advancement of parks, recreation and leisure in the community and the State of Illinois. Peter Wessel presented the awards and addressed the Commissioners with a prepared statement that has been attached to these minutes.

The Illinois Association of Park District presented a 10 year Service Anniversary Award to Richard Lamkey and Jean Maddrell as members of the Barrington Countryside Park

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District's Board of Commissioners, in recognition of their outstanding contributions, community leadership and service to advance parks, recreation and conservation in the State. Maureen Crump presented the awards and thanked all of the Commissioners.

Richard Calfa discussed in general the past liability insurance requirements and made recommendations to the Park Board to increase the minimum liability insurance requirements for renting groups and service providers. Richard Calfa explained items listed on certificates of insurance.

Commissioners had a general discussion about notifying the clubs concerning the minimum liability insurance requirements required to use and/or rent the facility.

The Commissioners had a general discussion about Bill Bongartz's letter dated February 5, 2007 concerning his January 31, 2007 visit about loss control.

In response to his letter the Commissioners remarked that the Park District is not responsible for maintaining the baseball field. The construction of the baseball diamond was a gift to Countryside School. The Park District maintains the tennis courts at Countryside School. The snow plow company will not be permitted to park their truck on Park District property.

A general discussion took place about installing a touch pad lock to provide access to the toilets in the meeting room. The clubs will be provided access to the combination.

Commissioners reviewed and corrected language on the tractor agreement with Pony Club and an agreement is to be written concerning the kennel building.

A general discussion took place about the process of reviewing rental applications for the Riding Center facility for upcoming rentals.

The Commissioners discussed the required repairs, vacancy, rental fee, and a prospective renter for the Hunt House.

A general discussion took place about the entire grant application process. Commissioners discussed the assistance the Cook County Forest Preserve might be able to provide.

A general discussion took place about attending the next ZBA meeting concerning cell towers.

A general discussion took place about the maintenance needed for the magnolia tree.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred McMorris

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As a Volunteer Steward, President of the Riding Club, Pony Club father, and resident living on the Forest Preserve, I imagine I can speak for all of the local stakeholders in the Spring Creek Forest Preserve. Greg Goslin, Dick Lamkey, and Fred McMorris, were able to accomplish what heretofore could only be dreamed of by those of us living out here. Over the years, a number of people have attempted to secure not only the riding privileges, but also the continued viability of Spring Creek as a unique, natural preserve, without success. Through Richard's dogged determination, spending countless hours on our behalf, ably aided by Fred's counsel, working with Greg on a singular plan, the legacy that has been the jewel of Barrington Hills and the Forest Preserve District, will continue into the foreseeable future. The Pony Club eventing course has been enjoyed by thousands of riders and spectators at events throughout the years, and the trails enjoyed by countless riders and hikers alike drawn to the bucolic beauty. The continued viability of the course and trails is critical to village efforts to maintain its current zoning in the face of development as an equestrian community. The fact the IGA unites both equestrian interests and the conservation effort reflects the marriage between the Riding Club and Restoration Partners. The equestrian community is providing numerous volunteers for restoration and monitoring, and the Riding Club trails provide access and firebreaks vital to the restoration effort. Rarely does everyone with a stake in something win without compromise, but in this case they have. This award could not be better named, Greg, Richard and Fred have truly performed a transcendent community service benefiting a broad community of people, local and area wide, who have enjoyed Spring Creek over the years, and will now continue to do so for years to come. Thank you so much, gentlemen, and please accept this well deserved award.

Peter C. Wessel