

**BARRINGTON COUNTRYSIDE PARK DISTRICT**  
**P.O. BOX 1393**  
**BARRINGTON, IL 60011**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Commissioners October 14, 2009**

Richard called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Commissioners present were:

Richard Lamkey, President	Jean Maddrell, Vice President
Fred McMorris, Treasurer	Maureen Crump, Communications
John Rosene, Secretary	

Also present: Rosemary Nero, Administrative Assistant  
Residents/Guests Stew Gully, Barb McMorris, Elaine Ramesh, Dennis Kelly, Patrick McKevitt, Lorelei Beckendorf

**Motions:**

Motion to accept September 9, 2009 Park Board minutes was made by Maureen and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to accept the September 23, 2009 Special Meeting Minutes as amended was made by Jean and seconded by Maureen.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to accept the October 7, 2009 Special Meeting Minutes was made by Jean and seconded by Fred.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report ending September 30, 2009 was made by John and seconded by Jean.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to pass the Truth in Taxation Law Resolution 10-14-2009-01 was made by Fred and seconded by Jean.

Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes – Maureen Crump, R. Richard Lamkey Jean Maddrell,  
Fred McMorris, John Rosene      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to provide the additional employee labor and the excess (12 hours) use of equipment, at no cost to the organizers of the Ignite the Night fund raiser was made by Fred and seconded by John.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

Motion to contact the Park District's attorney to schedule a meeting to discuss the parking lot and related issues was made by Jean and seconded by Maureen.

5 ayes                      0 nays                      0 absent

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Motion to pay the invoice for Blanford Professional Design Services in the amount of \$3,260.00 was made by Jean and seconded by Fred.

4 ayes                      0 nays                      1 absent

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 was made by Fred and seconded by Jean.

4 ayes                      0 nays                      1 absent.

**Commissioners Discussion:**

Commissioners had their photo taken for the newsletter.

A general discussion took place about the new regulations concerning the Village of Barrington Hills Dark Sky Ordinance. It was reported that ZBA will hold a public hearing Monday October 19<sup>th</sup> at Countryside School.

A general discussion took place about the Park District boundaries and reviewed the August 2006 motion that was made Indicating any petitioner requesting to annex into the Barrington Countryside Park District will have to bear the required costs.

The Commissioners will review the Park District Code to examine the process to annex into or de-annex out of the Park District property.

A general discussion took place about getting quotes from the snow removal contractors. Richard and Fred will provide proposals at the next meeting.

Jean will provide the Park Board with some information about security cameras.

Fred, Maureen, Jean and Richard attended the October Advisory Committee meeting. The Commissioners reviewed the draft of the Advisory Committee October minutes. Jean will attend the November Advisory Committee meeting.

A general discussion took place about the maintenance items at the Riding Center, some of the items that were discussed included the following:

Fred will meet with the electrician Thursday morning October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Marengo well and pump will investigate the leak.

Naturescape will be out to winterize the watering system.

Boards were replaced to fix the bleachers.

The Tractor may need a tune up.

Flay mower is making noise.

It was reported that the Pony Club Dads are looking for jobs that they can do at the Riding Center. Fred asked that the Park Board provide the suggestions to him.

Richard stated that Pony Club volunteer activities would be included in the Partnership Agreement between the Park District and the Fox River Valley Pony Club.

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Fred and Maureen attended the October 10<sup>th</sup> Ignite the Night Fundraiser and reported that Friends of the Forest Preserves thanked the Park Board for their support.

A general discussion took place about the preparation needed for the Ignite the Night fundraiser event.

Richard provided audience and Park Board with handouts regarding the history and background concerning the Spring Lake Equestrian Trail Head Parking lot. The Park Board reviewed some of the parking lot feedback and a general discussion took place.

Jean handed out a recap of the Park Board minutes from 2005 concerning the parking lot and discussed the intent of the Intergovernmental Agreement and the spirit of the minutes.

The Commissioners want clarification regarding the parking regulations, restrictions, and permits that apply to Cook County Forest Preserve property.

The Commissioners want the FRVPC to investigate their eligibility to obtain parking and stabling permits from the Cook County Forest Preserve in order to hold their events.

The Park Board wants clarification from the Cook County Forest Preserve that the equestrian trail head parking lot will restrict bike use and access.

The Commissioners agreed to contact the Park District attorney to arrange a public meeting to discuss the parking lot, IGA and related issues.

A general discussion took place about the partnership between the FRVPC and the Park District. The Commissioners will review the draft presented by Fred and discuss it at the next Park Board meeting.

The Commissioners had a general discussion about the user fee tag program. It was reported that the Advisory Committee will conduct a survey at the Riding Center. They will develop a limited number of critical questions to obtain general information, gauge support, and suggestions. It was reported that the Advisory Committee will have a questionnaire ready for the next meeting, and will be responsible for coordinating and conducting the survey.

A general discussion took place about using the email Constant Contact as an additional means to collect and provide information to users and residents.

A general discussion took place about defining access to the Riding Center.

A general discussion also took place about the enforcement of a bag tag program.

A general discussion took place about the trainer tag program.

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A general discussion took place about the Banner for Bucks program. The Commissioners agreed that the program has not been promoted or developed. John will attempt put together some ideas to promote the Banner for Bucks program and develop some other advertising / fund raising concepts for the next Park Board meeting. John will make a list of advertisers and sponsors.

A general discussion took place about the suggestion that the Riding Club and the FRVPC organize an event in the spring that will serve as a fund raiser for the Park District.

A general discussion took place about the newsletter. The Commissioner agreed that some of the topics in the newsletter will include the grant for the equestrian trail head parking lot, the community service award presented to Peter, photos of the new Park Board, report on Ignite the Night / Friends of Spring Creek or Stewards of Spring Creek, and a trainer update.

Fred reported that he was analyzing the different accounts and funds of the Park District. Fred will develop a working budget for 2010. The chart of account will be enhanced to detail various expenses.

A general discussion took place about budgeting and the overall finances of the Park District.

A general discussion took place about the authorized signers on the bank accounts, it was noted that all Commissioners have the ability to sign checks.

A general discussion took place about the Harris bank credit card. Commissioners reviewed the card holders and the card limits. It was noted that Richard, Maureen, Octavio and Rosemary were issued credit cards.

Commissioners indicated that a reminder notice should be sent to all the trainers concerning renewal.

The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the invoice from Blanford Design.

A general discussion took place about the new regulations concerning the FOIA. Rosemary was instructed to attend the FOIA workshop Tuesday October 20<sup>th</sup>.

A general discussion took place about the indoor riding arena footing. Maureen provided the Park Board with samples of the footing. Maureen will get additional information about the footing. The Park Board will decide footing matters at the next meeting.

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A general discussion took place about use of the bob cat. The Park Board will check with the Park District attorney and insurance agent see what type of training and waivers are required prior to authorizing usage and/or rental by individuals clubs or organizations. The Commissioners will also explore what rates to charge.

Commissioners agreed that only Octavio would operate the bobcat and any club wanting to use it would have to pay for the equipment plus Octavio's time.

Maureen passed out the winter riding schedule and it was reviewed by the Park Board.

There was a discussion regarding the Park District e-Bulletin and that it should be sent monthly. Topics for this month included the parking lot, upcoming public hearing and the upcoming survey.

A copy of the Trainer e-Bulletin was also presented to the Park Board for review.

Meeting adjourned 10:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Rosene