

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the  
Canton Park District Board of Commissioners**

February 27, 2006  
7:00 a.m.

Volume #54

President Walters called the regular meeting of the Canton Park District Board of Commissioners to order at 7:00 a.m.

**A. GENERAL FUNCTION.**

- A.1 Roll call was taken with Commissioners Walters, Buckley, Bobell and Klinedinst present. Also present were Director Baker, Assistant Director Johnson, Superintendent of Parks Murphy, District Attorney Beal, Office Manager Stambaugh and Park Officer Parks. Commissioner Stephenson was absent.

President Walters asked for a motion to appoint Commissioner Klinedinst as Temporary Secretary. Commissioner Bobell made the motion to appoint Commissioner Klinedinst as Temporary Secretary with a second from Commissioner Buckley. Motion carried.

- A.2 Commissioner Buckley made the motion to approve the regular Minutes and Executive Session Minutes of January 23; with a second from Commissioner Bobell. Motion carried.

- A.3 Commissioner Buckley made the motion to approve the Cash Disbursements with a second from Commissioner Bobell. Roll call vote was taken with (4) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

- A.4 Commissioner Buckley made the motion to approve the Financial Statements with a second from Commissioner Klinedinst. Roll call vote was taken with (4) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

**I. Personnel:**

Commissioner Klinedinst made the motion to go into Executive Session at 7:07 a.m., to discuss personnel matters with a second from Commissioner Bobell. Roll call vote was taken with (4) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bobell made the motion to reconvene to the Regular meeting at 7:55 a.m., with a second from Commissioner Klinedinst. Roll call vote was taken with (4) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

Commissioner Buckley made the motion to approve Ordinance #06-02 appointing Jon E. Johnson as the District's IMRF Authorized Agent and certifying IMRF Form 2.20 with a second from Commissioner Klinedinst. Roll call vote was taken with (4) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

The appointment of Jon E. Johnson as District treasurer, authorization to sign checking accounts, investment accounts and access to the District's lock boxes was tabled until the March 8, special meeting.

**II. Airport:**

- F. The east approach property at Ingersoll Airport reimbursement has been sent to the IL Division of Aeronautics.

**III. Parks:**

- E. Commissioner Klinedinst made the motion to approve the purchase of a John Deere 110 tractor on the County Commissioners Purchase Program in the amount of \$43,583 with a second from Commissioner Buckley. Roll call vote was taken with (4) ayes for the record. Motion carried.
- G. Temporary Secretary Klinedinst will destroy the executive session tape of May 17, 2004.
- H. Commissioner Bobell made the motion to hire Greg Spahn as an additional part time police officer for the District with a second from Commissioner Klinedinst. Motion carried.
- J. Commissioner Buckley made the motion to authorize Director Baker to make the change to the Central Management Services Division of Local Government Health Plan from the City of Canton's health care plan effective July 1, 2006; with a second from Commissioner Klinedinst. Roll call vote was taken with (4) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

**IV. Recreation:**

- B. Congratulations to President Walters, Secretary Stephenson and Commissioner Klinedinst on being recognized for (10) years of service to the Canton Park District board.
- D. Annual board retreat scheduled for March 8, noon.

Director Baker stated the City of Canton approved the \$2,000 grant from the city's Hotel/Motel Tax funds for the printing of Lakeland Bi-Tri brochures for the 15<sup>th</sup> annual race.

IL Valley Striders presented Director Baker with the Director's Award for his association with the Lakeland Bi-Tri Classic.

With there being no further discussion Commissioner Buckley made the motion to adjourn with a second from Commissioner Klinedinst. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted for:

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Rick R. Klinedinst, Temporary Secretary  
Canton Park District  
Board of Commissioners

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Susan L. Walters, President  
Canton Park District  
Board of Commissioners

by: Debra S. Stambaugh  
Office Manager

**Canton Park District Board of Commissioners  
Executive Session Minutes**

**Personnel Issues**

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President Walters called for a motion to go into executive session at 7:07 a.m., to discuss personnel issues. Commissioner Klinedinst made the motion with a second from Commissioner Bobell. Roll call vote was taken with (4) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

Roll call was taken with Commissioners Walters, Buckley, Bobell and Klinedinst present. Also present was District Attorney Beal. Commissioner Stephenson was absent.

Board discussed proposed employment contract for Jon Johnson prepared by District Attorney Beal. Discussion was also held regarding benefits that may be offered to the new director.

With no further discussion or action Commissioner Bobell made the motion to reconvene back to the regular meeting at 7:55 a.m. with a second from Commissioner Klinedinst. Roll call vote was taken with (4) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

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**Canton Park District**  
**Special Meeting – Executive Session/Board Retreat Minutes**  
**March 8, 2006**  
**Noon**

President Walters called the Special Meeting to order. Roll call was taken with Commissioners Walters, Buckley, Stephenson, Bobell and Klinedinst present. Also present were Director Baker, Assistant Director Johnson, Superintendent of Parks Murphy and Office Manager Stambaugh.

Commissioner Klinedinst made the motion to go into Executive session at 12:09 p.m., to discuss personnel issues with a second from Commissioner Bobell. Roll call vote was taken with (5) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on personnel matters.

Commissioner Buckley made the motion to reconvene to the Special Meeting at 12:39 p.m., with a second from Commissioner Buckley. Roll call vote was taken with (5) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

Commissioner Klinedinst made the motion to approve the employment contract of Jon E. Johnson as the new director beginning March 23, 2006; at an annual salary of \$57,000 with a second from Commissioner Buckley. Roll call vote was taken with (5) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

Commissioner Buckley made the motion to appoint Jon E. Johnson as the District Treasurer effective March 23, 2006; with a second from Commissioner Bobell. Roll call vote was taken with (5) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

Commissioner Buckley made the motion to authorize Jon E. Johnson to sign checking accounts and other investment accounts and have access to the District lock boxes beginning March 23, 2006; with a second from Commissioner Bobell. Motion carried.

Director Baker stated Superintendent of Parks Murphy would be issued a charge card for the District and the incoming director Johnson's limit would be increased.

President Walters called the board retreat to order. Roll call was taken with Commissioners Walters, Buckley, Stephenson, Bobell and Klinedinst. Director Baker, Assistant Director Johnson, Superintendent of Parks Murphy and Office Manager Stambaugh were also present.

Vision Statement: To provide and protect for future generations, diverse open space and facilities in an efficient manner that enhances the quality of life to citizens and users of the Canton Park District.

Priority projects include:

- Additional water play equipment at Big Creek Park pool.
- Purchase of John Deere 110 tractor.
- Complete dog park at the golf range.
- Changing facility at Lakeland Park – scuba.
- Airport automated weather station.
- Replace sidewalks at South Park.
- Replacing playground equipment at Anderson and John Dean Parks.
- Athletic Park upgrades.
- Ball field usage fees.

Commissioner terms expire:

- Kevin R. Stephenson 2007
- Susan L. Walters 2007
- William R. Buckley 2009
- Rick R. Klinedinst 2011
- Robert C. Bobell 2011

Objectives for the current year included reviewing and updating the existing personnel policy hand book, the existing job descriptions, current flow chart of the District and transforming the District's vision statement to a mission statement.

Projects for the current year include power washing and tuck pointing flower boxes, tuck pointing and painting Big Creek Park entrance columns, sealing and re-striping paved parking lots, new gravel in other parking lots, repainting of park entrance and regulatory signs and reviewing the current fixed base operator contract.

Overall long range planning and review of the District including new District brochure, upgrading restrooms facilities at Athletic Park, resealing roads in Athletic, Big Creek and Lakeland Parks, overlay of Wallace Park lots, greenway and trail corridors and a lightning detection system.

With no action taken on the above Commissioner Klinedinst made the motion to adjourn with a second from Commissioner Bobell. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted for:

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Kevin R. Stephenson, Secretary  
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