

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

**November 21, 2016
5:00 p.m.**

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President Stephenson called the regular meeting of the Canton Park District Board of Commissioners to order at 5:00 p.m.

A. GENERAL FUNCTION.

- A.1** Roll call was taken with Commissioners Stephenson, Wheeler, Walters and Buckley present. Commissioner Kuzniar was absent. Also present were Director Johnson, Recreation Manager Moring, and Office Manager Walljasper.
- A.2** Commissioner Walters made the motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 17, with a second from Commissioner Buckley. Motion carried.
- A.3** Commissioner Wheeler made the motion to approve the Cash Disbursements with a second from Commissioner Buckley. 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 Wheeler. Roll call vote was taken with (4) ayes for the record. Motion carried.
- A.5** No public comments were offered.

I. Airport:

- A.** Director Johnson reported that the Avgas sales for the year were down by 2,200 gallons.

II. Parks:

- B.** All concrete and asphalt work is completed. Crews will begin installing rub rail fencing in a few sections of Big Creek Park. Some work will be carried over to the spring season such as pavement markings, signage and additional landscaping.
- C.** Commissioner Wheeler made the motion fill out the ballot provided by Nancy Schell with a yes to question A. "Is Your Agency willing to leave JP Morgan and seek a new trustee?" a yes to question B. "Does your Agency wish to participate in interviews with potential trustees?" and allow Director Johnson to represent the District during such interviews, with a second from Commissioner Walters. Roll Call vote was taken with (3) ayes for the record. Commissioner Buckley Abstained from voting.
- E.** Director Johnson has received quotes from Insurance providers Cincinnati and ICRMT which is the current providers for the District and two new providers IPRF and IPARKS. Director Johnson is checking references on IPRF and IPARKS. If references come back positive we will switch providers saving the District \$15,452 for FY17.
- F.** Commissioners discussed the Request from Proposal for Legal Services that were received by Barnhart, Tinsman & Lane. LTD, Johnson & Johnson, P.C., Froehling, Weber & Schell, LLP and Meade Law Office P.C.

- H. Commissioner Wheeler made the motion to approve the retirement agreement for Donald R. McKenzie, with a second from Commissioner Buckley. Motion carried.
- K. Commissioner Buckley made the motion to allow Director Johnson to sign preservation covenant for the rails to trails project with BNSF after reviewed and approved by Attorney Meade, with a second from Commissioner Wheeler. Motion carried.

III. Recreation:

- B. Director Johnson reminded Commissioners of the IAPD/IPRA State Convention which will be held on January 19 – 21, 2017 in Chicago.
- D. Director Johnson reported that the Racket Sports Committee met on Wednesday November 16th at the Donaldson Center. Present were: Director Johnson, President Stephenson, Bret Schrama(USTA), Dennis Crawford (CTA), Jane Buckley (CTA), Missy Towery(SRPED), Bill Bequeaith and Jeremy Kauzlarich. Discussion was held on the current facilities and possible avenues to repair or replace the existing court surfaces. Potential funding sources include District general fund, District N/R Tax Levy, IDNR OSLAD grant, USTA facility grant, USDA facility grant, crowdfunding through SPPED, and private donations. The committee felt that two dedicated tennis courts, two shared courts and two pickelball courts would be beneficial to the community. This number of courts would also allow for Canton High School to incorporate and IHSA tennis program into their extracurricular program. The Committee will meet again on December 14, 2016.

With no further discussion or action Commissioner Buckley made a motion to adjourn with a second from Commissioner Walters. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted for:

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 Canton Park District
 Board of Commissioners

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 Canton Park District
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