

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

November 19, 2012
5:30 p.m.

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President Walters called the regular meeting of the Canton Park District Board of Commissioners to order at 5:30 p.m.

A. GENERAL FUNCTION.

- A.1 Roll call was taken with Commissioners Walters, Buckley, Stephenson, and Wheeler present. Commissioner Kuzniar was absent at roll call. Also present were Director Johnson, Facility Manager McKenzie, Office Manager Walljasper and Chief Parks and four members of the public.
- A.2 Commissioner Buckley made the motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 22, with a second from Commissioner Kuzniar. Motion carried.
- A.3 Commissioner Stephenson made the motion to approve the Cash Disbursements with a second from Commissioner Buckley. Roll call vote was taken with (5) ayes for the record. Motion carried.
- A.4 Commissioner Buckley made the motion to approve the Financial Statements with a second from Commissioner Kuzniar. Roll call vote was taken with (5) ayes for the record. Motion carried.

Tina Holly from the Happy Feet dance club talked about using the Gary G. Baker Recreation Center for line dancing lessons. She said that there are currently about 55 dancers, and would like the board to consider extending the dance floor by 15 feet.

Dennis Crawford from the Canton Area Tennis Association addressed the board about the tennis courts at Big Creek Park and about grants that are available from the United States Tennis Association (USTA).

I. Airport:

- D. Director Johnson gave an update on the Annual TIP meeting that he attended in Springfield. The take-off/landing slope has changed due to new/updated FAA regulations, this will require a significant number of trees to be trimmed, topped or removed.

II. Parks:

- F. Director Johnson gave a time line for passing the budget for fiscal year 2012.
 - a) December 17: Tentative budget presented.
 - b) December 17-January 28: Tentative budget available for public inspection.
 - c) January 1: New fiscal year begins.
 - d) January 28: Public Hearing.
 - e) January 28: Passage of the 2013 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance.

- G. Director Johnson presented the board with a draft copy of the 2012 Tax Levy. The draft levy is under the 105% threshold level; therefore no “Truth in Taxation” hearing will be required this year.
- H. Commissioner Kuzniar made the motion to approve the (1) year farm bid from Rye Randolph who presented the highest bid of \$398.14 per acre, with a second from Commissioner Wheeler. Motion carried.
- I. Director Johnson made the recommendation to table the vehicle bids until next month. State Purchase Plan bids are not available.

III. Recreation:

- B. Nothing to report on the Athletics Committee at this time.
- C. Director Johnson discussed the recent proposal from the Canton Traveling Baseball Association about batting cages at athletic park. Director Johnson will continue to work with on the proposal.

IV. Personnel:

- A. Commissioners discussed employee health insurance premiums. Director Johnson will try and locate a Salary Analysis from area districts and local agencies.

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

Respectfully submitted for:

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Canton Park District
Board of Commissioners

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