

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

**January 27, 2020
5:00 p.m.**

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President Walters called the Regular meeting of the Canton Park District Board of Commissioners to order at 5:00 p.m., at the Donaldson Center.

A. GENERAL FUNCTION.

- A.1 Roll call was taken with Commissioners Walters, Stephenson, Clark, Fouts and Wheeler present. Also present were Director Johnson, Superintendent Murphy, Recreation Superintendent Moring, Office Manager Walljasper, Chief Parks, District Police Officer Fernandes and (1) one member of the public.
- A.2 Commissioner Wheeler made the motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of December 16, 2019, with a second from Commissioner Fouts. Motion carried.
- A.3 Commissioner Clark made the motion to approve the Cash Disbursements with a second from Commissioner Stephenson. Roll call vote was taken with (5) ayes for the record. Motion carried.
- A.4 Commissioner Fouts made the motion to approve the Financial Statements with a second from Commissioner Stephenson. Roll call vote was taken with (5) ayes for the record. Motion carried.
- A.5 John Lorek of 329 North Pearl Street Havana, Illinois spoke to the commissioners about his organization Illinois Ability Sports. This organization gives away items to other organizations and to families in need in the Havana area. He donated the stuffed animals to the Park District that were handed out during the Canton Santa Parade. He receives his donations from area stores and families. He has an arcade game that he would like to donate to the Park District for use at the recreation center.

B. Board Report.

I. Airport.

- A. Director Johnson reported that the fuel sales at Ingersoll Airport were down overall for the 2019 fiscal year by 4,986 gallons and down for the month of December by 238 gallons.

II. Parks.

- B. Director Johnson reported that there was no new information regarding the Ingersoll Trust and litigation with The Girl Scouts of Central Illinois.
- D. Director Johnson reported that a copy of the Budget & Appropriation Ordinance #19-05 has been filed with the County Clerk's office.
- E. Director Johnson reported that a copy of the 2019 Tax Levy Ordinance #19-06 has been filed with the County Clerk's office.

- F. Director Johnson discussed the grant applications that he has been working on from IDNR for funding of projects including the tennis courts, lighting, playground, ball diamond and shelter at Big Creek park, along with playgrounds at Lakeland, South, and Wallace Parks, as well as the Lakeland Park trail resurfacing. He also talked about the grants he is working on with the NRA and NASR to help fund and construct a public outdoor shooting range.

III. Recreation.

- A. Recreation Superintendent Moring went over the attendance numbers for the Gary G. Baker Recreation Center. He also discussed events that have been held in the past month including the Mother/Son dance, and IDNR Youth Goose Hunt Dinner. Upcoming events include Unity Point WellMobile, IH Retirees Meeting, and Ball signups at the Baker Recreation Center along with The 63rd Annual Fulton County Town and Country Art Show March 14th and 15th, 2020 at the Donaldson Center at Wallace Park.
- B. Commissioners and Staff discussed the IAPD/IPRA State Convention that was held January 23 - 25, 2020 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Chicago. Overall the sessions attended were good and provided some useful information. President Walters spoke about the need to coordinate sessions better next year to get the most out of the conference and to avoid several attending the same sessions.

IV. Executive Session.

No Executive Session was held.

V. Future Agenda Items.

No Future Agenda Items were discussed.

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

Respectfully submitted for:

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Canton Park District
Board of Commissioners

Susan L. Walters, President
Canton Park District
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