

Crete Park District
Board of Commissioners
Minutes
November 16, 2016

President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call: Mike Smith, Jen Smith, Rita Piepenbrink, Patty Wiater and Linda Johnson (7-8 PM)
Others Present: Patricia Polzin, Director, Therese Hale, Secretary/Treasurer & Tim Wifler

Pledge of Allegiance

Wiater moved and Piepenbrink seconded a motion to approve the Minutes from Oct 19, 2016. All Commissioners present voted aye.

Wiater moved and Piepenbrink seconded a motion to approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll and Additional Bills as presented. Questions were answered and on a roll call vote, all Commissioners present voted aye.

Secretary's Report: As Presented. Next meeting is Dec 7 at 4 PM. This will include our bond sales.

Recognition of Visitors: Commissioners welcomed Tim Wifler.

Recreation Report: As presented in report. Commissioner Piepenbrink reported we had 593 kids attend the Trick or Treat Trail.

Maintenance Report: Commissioner Johnson reported the grass is growing and the field at Heritage Park looks amazing. The plan is to continue redoing a section of the park each year and rotating the use. Director Polzin and Commissioner J. Smith reported there were negative comments regarding Heritage Park, but they were talking about the High School field and not ours.

Long Range: Director Polzin contacted two different architects regarding the building addition. She has come up with some cost saving alternatives including a change in the stairwell and bathrooms. Commissioner Wiater asked if all board members were on board to bond a large amount for the project. Currently the plan is to break ground in the summer of 2018. Commissioner Johnson asked Director Polzin to update the long-range plans to include this large project and schedule a long-range meeting to discuss.

Personnel/Finance: Hale presented the Treasurer's Report comparison.

Director Polzin explained we have 2 employees who will go from salary to hourly with the new Employment Law. They will receive comp time at time and a half.

Wiater moved and Piepenbrink seconded a motion to approve Resolution 16-17-1, a Resolution determining the Amounts of Money Estimated to be Raised by Taxation in the District's 2016 Levy Ordinance. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners present voted aye.

Hale reported the \$230,000 Bond Bid form was sent to Old Plank Trail. They estimate the interest to be 2.1% which is higher than we have been paying. Hale contacted the Attorney from Chapman and Cutler and verified this is what they are seeing from all banks at this time and the cost of going to bid would outweigh the amount we will pay for the extra percent of interest. We will adopt the Bond Sale Ordinance on Dec 7 and Hale will handle the closing on Dec 14.

Commissioner Wiater reviewed the Fraud Monitoring Procedure Hale wrote as part of the Audit request. No new procedures were enacted, but the procedure is now in written form.

The Tax Levy Ordinance was presented and will need to be passed on Dec 7.

Attorney's Report: A letter from Attorney Lulich was presented to the Board regarding the land donation. Lulich doesn't recommend we accept the donation.

Director's Report:

J. Smith moved and Piepenbrink seconded a motion to appoint Commissioner Linda Johnson as our delegate to the Annual Business Meeting of the IAPD on January 21, 2017. All Commissioners present voted aye.

IAPD Conference will be held January 19 – 21 at the Hilton in Chicago. President Smith will not be able to attend.

Director Polzin has been working on the Country Christmas Brochure. We will be having the Chili Cook Off, hay rides, and the Memorial Lights Ceremony in the WWPC and Selfies with Santa and the Indoor Snowball Fight at Crete Park on Main.

Crete Co-op presented us with a donation of \$3643.91 to be used for Youth Programs.

Director Polzin reported she had several calls today for an indoor archery ring. We currently have classes taught by Chris and Alex Wifler who donated \$3000 worth the equipment to the park. In exchange, Alex Wifler was practicing in the Easterday Hall. Due to a conflict, this may not be continuing, however classes will go as scheduled.

Presidents Report: President Smith reported the Village EAV is up and average home prices are also up.

Piepenbrink moved and Wiater seconded a motion to move into Executive Session at 8:23 PM regarding Section 2 ©I, the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or

legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body. All Commissioners present voted aye.

Piepenbrink moved and Wiater seconded a motion to return to regular session at 8:23 PM. All Commissioners present voted aye. No action was taken.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Wiater moved and Piepenbrink seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 PM. All Commissioners present voted aye.