

Crete Park District
Board of Commissioners
Special Meeting Minutes – May 16, 2018

Special Meeting was called to order by President Johnson at 6 PM.

Roll Call: Carrie Sharma, Linda Johnson, Jen Smith, Mike Smith and Laura Stawicki

Others Present: Director Patricia Polzin, Secretary/Treasurer/Finance & Marketing Supt. Therese Hale, Frank Elton, Crete Township & Mike Liccar (6:30 PM) Crete Township

Director Polzin explained the 10-year process of searching for a building. Our goal when approaching the township was to help them and hope to pool our resources for the betterment of the community. Crete Park District and Crete Township have been working well together and we hope to continue that relationship. Crete Township serves 22,000 people, but Crete Park District only has a little over 8,000 residents. We have been working with the township to increase the services offered to their residents without adding additional fees. Mr. Elton stated the Township Trustees haven't had a chance to discuss since visiting the 690 building.

Sharma explained the long-range vision of the area and the positive location for the park district. The area is close to the high school and the future long-range plans of the school district include putting a super elementary school where the old high school is. Polzin stated the long-term goal is to join together with no duplication of resources. Liccar explained the township is wanting to do more with seniors, youth and having no facilities has been a challenge for them. He feels great concerns about joining the 2 cultures together in a building. Sharma pointed out the farm land gives an area for future building. CMHS dismissal is at 2:15 PM and many of the sports practices don't start until 3:15 PM. We have a great number of teens who wander the streets for the time period. Location is key to the success of this project. Liccar doesn't feel its conducive for 3 entities.

J Smith moved and M Smith seconded a motion to adjourn the special meeting at 7 PM.

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Meeting was called to order by President Johnson at 7:05 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: J Smith, M Smith, L Johnson, C Sharma and L Stawicki

Others Present: Director Patricia Polzin, Secretary/Treasurer/Finance & Marketing Supt. Therese Hale, Steve Bruns and family, John Pascarella

Patricia Polzin explained each year, we award Volunteers of the year who share our vision and improve the Community of Crete. This year, we honor Steve Bruns and John Pascarella for the vision of returning the Hill in Crete Park to a beautiful flowering area. John and Steve were presented with a reusable Crete Park District Tervis and thanked by the Commissioners and staff of the District.

J Smith moved and Stawicki seconded a motion to retain M Lulich as Attorney and O'Neill and Gaspardo as Auditor for the 2018-19 fiscal year. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners voted aye.

M Smith moved and J Smith seconded a motion to appoint Therese Hale as Secretary of the Board. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners voted aye.

Sharma moved and M Smith seconded a motion to appoint Therese Hale as Treasurer of the Board. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners voted aye.

M Smith moved and J. Smith seconded a motion to approve the Minutes from April 18, 2018. All Commissioners present voted aye.

M. Smith moved and Stawicki seconded a motion to approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll and Additional Bills, adding a \$2200 bill for Heritage Technology for a block of Tech Support. The Questions were answered and on a roll call vote, all Commissioners present voted aye.

Secretary's Report: Hale reminded everyone the next meeting is June 20 at 7 PM. She reminded the board Park-A-Palooza will be held on June 2 from NOON – 4 PM.

Recreation Report: We are gearing up for day camp. Sharma said Eric is doing a great job with the sports programs.

Maintenance Report: Stawicki reported we had a meeting to put together the rental space for Heritage Park. The refrigerator has been delivered. The construction on the North end of Crete Park is scheduled to begin tomorrow.

Attorney Report: The contract for the farm property was presented.

Long Range Report:

Personnel/Finance: The year-end report was presented. Audit has been scheduled for June 6.

Directors Report: The social committee will be meeting again this month. The first newsletter was sent out and is a good way to communicate with staff and board. They will go out once a month.

Swim lesson numbers are down this session. We have sent out fliers through the Peachjar at Crete Schools, paper copies to the Lutheran School in Crete & Beecher. We have also sent paper fliers to Beecher Elementary and all of Steger Elementary. We have promoted through Facebook and Twitter and we just mailed 7000 books. We also have books and fliers distributed at the library and township building. We are looking to make a change with the entrance making it possible for kids to enter without going through the locker room.

Director Polzin met with the staff and they unanimously voted to attend the National Conference in Indianapolis and not attend the state conference.

May 26 we will be at HITS collecting money for Park Pals.

New Business:

J Smith moved and Sharma seconded a motion to move into Executive Session at 8:17 PM regarding Section 2(c)(5) The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. Section 2(c)7 for the sale or purchase of securities, investments or investment contracts. Section 2 (c) (1) 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 or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity All Commissioners present voted aye.

J Smith moved and Stawicki seconded a motion to end executive session at 9:39 PM. All Commissioners present voted aye.

No action was taken on 690 Exchange or the farm land contract. J Smith motioned and Stawicki seconded a motion to table the discussion on 690 Exchange. All Commissioners voted aye.

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Johnson moved and Sharma seconded a motion to nominate J Smith for President for the 2018-19 fiscal year. All Commissioners voted aye.

Johnson moved and Stawicki seconded a motion to nominate Sharma for Long Range, M Smith for Maintenance for the 2018-19 fiscal year. On a roll call vote, all Commissioners voted aye.

Sharma moved and J Smith seconded a motion to nominate Stawicki for Finance and Johnson for Recreation for the 2018-19 fiscal year. All Commissioners voted aye.

Johnson nominated and J Smith seconded a motion to nominate M Smith as Vice President of the Crete Park District board for the 2018-19 fiscal year.

M Smith moved and J Smith seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:41 PM. All Commissioners present voted aye.