

STOCKTON TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 15, 2017

STOCKTON PARK HOUSE

Meeting called to order @ 6:30pm by President Jack Townsend

Those present were: see attachment

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Steve Jordan to accept the minutes of the 10/18/17 regular board meeting as written, with no corrections or additions needed. Jack Townsend seconded the motion and with all commissioners voting yes, the motion passed.

Approval of Treasurer's Report:

A motion was made by Susan Schamberger to approve the monthly financial statements for October 2017, presented by Steve Jordan, needing no additions or corrections. This was seconded by Jack Townsend and with all commissioners voting yes, this motion carried.

Manager's Report:

None**Denny Young hoping to arrive around 7:15pm

Schamberger made a motion to purchase greens from Fritz Nursery for the park fence for the holiday season. Jordan seconded the motion and it passed with all commissioners voting yes. Schamberger also stated that when we need to replace the colored lights placed on the park fence; could we consider going with white lights to match the Chamber tree? This was a request from several park district residents.

Guest(s)

Dick Bergman stated, "As chairman of the Stockton Citizens group, we are submitting 29 petitions with 257 signatures with the question, "Shall the Stockton Township Park District proceed with plans to construct and operate a new community center?" This question to be placed on the ballot as a non-binding question before the Stockton Township voters in Jo Daviess County at the Illinois General Primary Election to be held on Tuesday March 20, 2018. Secretary Schamberger was given the Certification of Ballot form to be submitted to the Jo Daviess County Clerk by Monday 12/18/17 along with the petitions. A receipt for submitting the petitions was requested by Bergman too.

Old/ New Business:

Decker Aqua Sod Acres Park ** Nothing to discuss

Museum** Nothing to discuss

Steve Jordan stated the Tax Levy posted in the Flash was wrong. It will be corrected and reprinted and the Tax Levy Ordinance will be on the agenda for next month's meeting 12/20/17.

Community Center ** Steve Jordan gave a summary of projected costs for the major items of the project coming in between \$1,500,000 to \$1,950,000. This includes land at \$157,000, Excavation- site \$180,000/218,750, parking lot asphalt \$225,000/250,000, parking lighting \$55,000/62,600, utilities \$80,000/93,750 (note-retention pond(s) and retaining wall(s) not included in price estimates) and the Building between \$795,500 to \$935,500

Steve Jordan then stated that after careful evaluation of the options related to construction of a Community Center, the project does not appear to be feasible with the financial constraints of our current budget and available funding.

Steve then made a motion for the board to vote to discontinue our research around construction of the community center, including not pursuing a renewal of the purchase contract with JD Land Company, which expired some time ago due to contingencies remaining unmet. We (park board commissioners) do recognize that the \$1,000 paid at the time the contract was executed is non-refundable. Jack Townsend then seconded the motion as stated by Steve. Secretary Schamberger then asked and recorded each commissioner's vote to either CONTINUE to pursue the project, or DO NOT CONTINUE to pursue.

Jack Townsend: DO NOT CONTINUE

Steve Jordan: DO NOT CONTINUE

Susan Schamberger DO NOT CONTINUE

CLOSE MEETING:

President Townsend then asked if there were any other items either new or old that needed to be discussed; hearing none he made a motion to adjourn at 7:07pm

The motion was seconded by Jordan and with all commissioners voting yes, the motion carried.

Note, after the meeting was adjourned: Ron Mapes & Dick Bergman suggested to Secretary Schamberger to place a public notice in both the Flash and Scoop Today letting the Stockton Township taxpayers know the board's decision to end the community center project. The submitting of petitions to the county clerk will not be necessary.

Stockton Township Park District
Regular Park Board Meeting

November 15, 2017

Those present:

Susan Schambarger

Woody & Vicki

Rich Anas

Shirley Toepfer

Steve Ann

Mary Nagel

Man Blackstar

Ron Inaper

Greg Thoren

Linda Semande

Dr. [Signature]

Wick Bergman

Sara [Signature]

Tom [Signature]

Bill Lucke

Janie Brooks

Key - [Signature]

Denny Kull

Jack Townsend

Steve Jordan