



Roxana Community Park District



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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES **March 12, 2024**

Debra L. Ferry
Director

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Roxana Community Park District was called to order at 7:00pm, March 12, 2024 in the Oak Room of the Rox-Arena by President, Mike Toolen. Upon roll being called, the following Commissioners answered present: Mike Toolen, Rick Rader, Will Cunningham, Leslie Schmidt and Darlene Yarborough. Also present, was Director, Debra Ferry, Maintenance Supervisor, Jason John, Mayor, Marty Reynolds and New Village Administrator, Jason Woody.

Minutes: A motion was made by Yarborough, seconded by Cunningham, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 6, 2024 meeting. Upon the roll called, all voted aye, none voted nay. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Cunningham, to approve the Treasurer's Report, and that it be placed on file for audit. Upon roll being called, all voted aye, none voted nay. Motion passed.

Bills: A motion was made by Yarborough, seconded by Rader, that the Bills having been verified by the Finance Committee, be approved for payment. Upon roll being called, all voted aye, none voted nay. Motion passed.

Correspondence: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building and Grounds: The Board was updated on the talks regarding the Burbank project. Quotes were being requested for surveying, grant writing and site drawings.

A quote was presented from Superior Fence to replace the center section of the Picnic Diamond backstop. The current fencing is curled and stretched and balls get past underneath. A motion was made by Cunningham, seconded by Yarborough to approve the project at a total price of \$2,179.93. Upon roll being called, all voted aye, none voted nay.

We also received a quote from Perfect Play to provide some laser grading on the Lighted Diamond to allow for better drainage. This process was completed with the addition of several tons of dirt about eight years ago. It needs a touch up which will get us through another few seasons.

Lastly, a quote was provided from ToonCo Painting to resurface the pool bath house floors with a textured, flake resinous, non skid flooring system. The price for the locker rooms and front lobby was \$23,777.00. An alternate quote of \$9,000 was provided for the employee area including the cashier window, manager office, employee restroom, first aid room and closet, if the existing tiles and floor molding proved to be easily removable. A motion was made by Yarborough, seconded by Cunningham to approve the project. Upon roll being called, all voted aye, none voted nay. Motion passed.



Supplies and Finance: Pool scheduling changes were presented to the Board for discussion. The question was posed of going back to the pre covid schedule and allowing food again at the pool. With that change, there would only be time for one party per evening. The loss of revenue party versus the staff expense and extra hour of weekend open swim would likely balance out. Most agreed that having food at the pool was the biggest complaint from renters. A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Yarborough to approve the schedule change with open swim 12:30-5:30 daily and parties 6-8:30pm daily, with a price increase of weekday and Saturday morning parties being \$225 and weekend parties \$250, including Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Upon roll being called, all voted aye, none voted nay, Motion passed.

Personnel: None

Recreation Programs and Events: None

Police, Ordinance & Public Relations: None

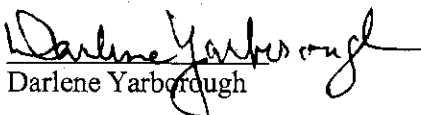
Other Business: The Mayor was in attendance to once again discuss the intergovernmental agreement. New Village Administrator, Jason Woody was also present to understand the issue at hand. The Mayor emphasized that the Park District needs to increase their tax levy to the maximum rate so the Village can eventually get the Recreation Department off their books. The Director and Commissioners explained that they didn't want to raise taxes when the Village already secures the Recreation funds through a tax levy that has been in existence since 1934. The Park raised their levy the 5% allotted without a Truth and Taxation hearing, but only in the special funds to accommodate the Recreation payroll (Ex: Social Security, IMRF, Work Comp) that would be transferred to the Park. It was noted again that the Park cannot raise the levy enough without referendum to cover what the Village levies and that the Village has the power to actually levy for twice as much as it does. The Mayor expressed that the attorneys would need to get together to iron out an agreement, which already happened in November, yet no communication has been received from the Village attorney. The Director would like to have the IGA in place prior to the start of the new fiscal year as seemed to be agreeable with all board members on both sides in a joint meeting in October. This would create a seamless transition for all. There was also discussion of a supplemental payment to build up the Recreation Fund that was depleted during covid, especially learning that the Village received covid relief money, and the Recreation Department was the only department to lose money due to the mandated shutdown. The Director expressed frustration with the Mayor's lack of inclusion of the Recreation Department as part of the Village except when it benefits the Village.

Executive Session: None

A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Rader to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll being called, all voted aye, none voted nay. Motion passed.

The meeting stood adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Darlene Yarborough

4-9-24
Date