

Bourbonnais Township Park District Board of Commissioners Committee of the Whole Meeting Recreation Station 770 E Franklin St, Bradley, IL 60915 July 25, 2023 at 5:30 pm

On July 25, 2023, President Zinanni called the Board of Commissioners Meeting to order at 5:30 pm with the following people present:

Commissioners Present: Dave Sadler, Kelly O'Connor, William Bukowski, Jeff Mullinax, Dave Zinanni

Appointees Present: Ed Piatt- Executive Director, Amanda Langlois- Board Secretary, Jamie Boyd- Board Attorney

Staff- Cherie Smolkovich, Annie Scott, Elizabeth Lubben

Finance and Personnel-Rob Romo was absent but Piatt stated that he is pleased to announce he has hired a new employee, Elizabeth Lubben. She is the new Special Events & Community Engagement Manager. Lubben stated she was excited to join the district.

Facilities- Piatt stated we are looking to relocate the maintenance building, more towards the kite field area. This is also in the strategic master plan and a safety feature. He continued explaining we are working with the Village of Bradley on the planning phrase of pickleball courts. MG2A will draw up plans, and this is also in our Comprehensive Plan.

Annie Scott, manager for the Exploration Station, handed out flyers for her presentation. She is requesting an additional \$39,000.00 to make sure the new construction is more of an exciting exhibit. The new construction would be a 2-story slide, even adults could go down it. The tree structure would be 15 feet tall and 16 feet across. Scott is considering sponsorships, grants and fundraisings as well to help funding.

Equipment- Piatt noted that the district is going to surplus Groundmaster 4300 Lawn mower from Diamond Point and the Ambusher Brush Mower at Perry Farm. We will sell or trade them to get more feasible equipment for maintenance. The board will vote tonight on the ordinance for the items.

Public Comment: Bill and Kirtsen Bahr stated that they live in Turnberry subdivision and thanked BTPD on how nice the park at Turnberry looks and the pond looks. Bill then noted he called Mike Crews and never received a response back. Kirsten said they keep getting wet with the new fountain because it blows 30 feet high. She wondered if it could be turned down or off for a while. Zinanni stated he would look into it.

Zinanni asked if there was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:43 pm. Bukowski made the motion and Sadler seconded. Roll Call: Sadler-aye, O'Connor-aye, Mullinax-aye, Bukowski- aye, Zinanni-aye. Motion carried. Adjourned at 5:56 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Amanda Langlois.

Amanda Langlois, Board Secretary

David Zinanni, President

Date

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Minutes approved at the board meeting of August 29, 2023