

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT

1006 Lincoln Ave. Belvidere, IL 61008

Boone County, Illinois

Meeting Date: 1/10/2023

Time: 5:00 P.M.

Meeting Location: Baltic Mill 920 W. Lincoln Avenue Belvidere, IL 61008

Meeting: Scheduled Board Meeting of Board of Commissioners of Belvidere Township Park District Boone County, IL

The Belvidere Township Park District Board of Commissioners board meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Daniel Noble.

Roll call was taken; In attendance: Mary Marquardt, Jean Twyning, Sam An, Amy Nord and Daniel Noble.

Absent: None

Those also in attendance were Jen Jacky, Melissa Merkel, Aly Graham, Jonathan Cudzewicz.

Absent: None

Meeting agenda:

Twyning made a motion seconded by Nord to approve the agenda for 1/10/2023.

A voice vote was taken with (5) voting yes. Motion carried.

Approval of meeting minutes:

Twyning made a motion seconded by Nord to approve the Public Hearing meeting minutes dated 12/13/22.

A voice vote was taken with (5) voting yes Motion carried.

Twyning made a motion seconded by Nord to approve the Regular Board meeting minutes for 12/13/22.

A voice vote was taken with (5) voting yes Motion carried.

Bills to be Paid: Twyning made a motion seconded by Marquardt to approve the bills to be paid for 12/14/2022-01/04/2023. A roll call vote was taken with (5) voting yes. Motion carried.

Discussion: None

Financial Report: Discussion: None

Board Correspondence: Twyning shared historical newspaper articles regarding Park District.

Public Input: None

Staff reports:

- Executive Director Report – Jen Jacky;
Discussion: Lion's Park meeting 1/6/23; Establishing community group to help advocate and move forward.
- Administrative Service Report – Melissa Merkel;
Discussion: New phones and new software active; J. Beachum-Marketing turned in retirement effective 2/3/2023.
- Marketing Report – John Beachum;
Discussion: None
- Parks & Recreation Report – Jonathan Cudzewicz;
Discussion: Ice Rink
- Superintendent of Recreation Report – Aly Graham;
Discussion: Pickle Ball programming

Future of Aquatics & Comprehensive Master Plan –Jacky | PRI is meeting 1/17/23 and 1/18/23 with 6 focus groups from different cross sections of people. Invited representatives D. Vella, D. Severson and J. Sosnowski. Presented updated schedule from PRI. Requesting Board to share with Jacky their feeling for the next step of the Future of Aquatics that would be beneficial for the community. These will be shared with PRI.

Baltic Mill Structural Assessment – Jacky: Jonathon C. meeting with a structural Engineer 1/11/23. Jonathon using information from various meetings to put together a plan for the Board to consider how to best move forward with Baltic Mill.

Discussion: Visions for future use;

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Future of Marketing: Jacky | Going Away Celebration for John will be 1/31/23 11:30-12:30 pm. Staff is working with John to secure information to move forward to ease transition; Review of job description and input from the Recreational team on this position. Content due for Summer brochure on February 23, 2023, staff working on this with John.

Project Yukon: Jacky | Cold Storage Facility at Rte. 20 and Appleton

Discussion: Impact on Park District properties

Commissioner Term Limits: An | Setting term limits for commissioner and term of office is Important for growth of Park District to introduce new ideas, new mindset etc. Spoke with the attorney who advised of (2) options, commissioner term limits and term of office limits.

Discussion: Resolution can be adopted for term limits for commissioner terms but it is not enforceable. Ordinance limiting consecutive terms of office is enforceable.

Twynning | No desire to vote on either option

Marquardt | No desire to vote on either option

Noble: Each board member to advise Noble of their intention on commissioner term limits; responses will determine if the item will be on the next agenda with attorney present to answer questions.

Closed Session: None

Action taken as a result of closed session: None

Meeting adjournment: There being nothing further to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Teri Becker