

The Board of Commissioners of the Sandwich Park District met for their regular meeting on Thursday, October 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Steve Wolf, Roberta Troeger, Bill Clemons, Jennifer Roberts, and Elizabeth Curtis (arriving at 7:12 p.m.)

PUBLIC HEARING: A motion was made by Roberta Troeger and seconded by Jennifer Roberts to suspend the regular order of business and to adjourn to a public hearing on the proposed tax levy at 7:05 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

As there was no one in the audience to give testimony or ask questions, a motion was made by Jennifer Roberts and seconded by Roberta Troeger to return to the regular meeting at 7:10 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

VISITORS: Jake Saltzman from First Response to discuss the drainage problems at Memorial Park. His company would identify the problem, using robotics, and would also provide updated maps of where the tiles are located. In checking the manhole, he believed that it is evident a lateral line is running into Memorial Park from the drainage district.

A motion was made by Bill Clemons and seconded by Jennifer Roberts to authorize First Response Drainage to diagnose the drainage problem at Memorial Park.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Steve Wolf, aye Roberta Troeger, aye Jennifer Roberts, aye Bill Clemons, aye
Liz Curtis, aye
5 ayes, 0 nays

MOTION CARRIED

TAX LEVY: A motion was made by Roberta Troeger and seconded by Jennifer Roberts to adopt the proposed tax levy for 2009.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Steve Wolf, aye Roberta Troeger, aye Jennifer Roberts, aye Bill Clemons, aye
Liz Curtis, aye
5 ayes, 0 nays

MOTION CARRIED

MINUTES: Copies of the minutes of the September 17, 2009 meeting were made available to all Board members. A motion was made by Jennifer Roberts and seconded by Roberta Troeger to accept the minutes of the September 17, 2009 meeting as corrected.

MOTION CARRIED

TREASURER’S REPORT: The following fund balances were presented:

Corporate Fund \$ 130,704.90

Recreation Fund	\$ 107,028.56
Paving/Lighting Fund	\$ 17,456.77
Audit Fund	\$ 7,784.93
Liability Insurance Fund	\$ 31,455.55
Social Security Fund	\$ 40,292.07
Unemployment Insurance Fund	\$ 29,104.93
I.M.R.F. Fund	\$ 16,943.00
2004 Bond Capital Projects	\$ 106,237.37
2006 Bond Capital Projects	\$ 208,343.32
2008 Bond Capital Projects	\$ 196,500.00
2008 Bond Debt Service	\$ 59,722.08

A motion was made by Roberta Troeger and seconded by Bill Clemons to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented subject to audit.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Steve Wolf, aye Roberta Troeger, aye Jennifer Roberts, aye Bill Clemons, aye
Liz Curtis, aye
5 ayes, 0 nays

MOTION CARRIED

BILLS: The following bills were presented for payment:

Corporate Fund	\$ 9,893.57
Recreation Fund	\$ 9,643.60
Social Security Fund	\$ 526.13
Bond Fund	\$ 1,886.07
<u>I.M.R.F Fund</u>	<u>\$ 505.48</u>
Total Bills:	\$ 22,454.85

A motion was made by Jennifer Roberts and seconded by Roberta Troeger to pay the bills as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Steve Wolf, aye Roberta Troeger, aye Jennifer Roberts, aye Bill Clemons, aye
Liz Curtis, aye
5 ayes, 0 nays

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS: RECREATION: Jennifer Roberts had provided minutes of the recreation committee meeting. As the fall basketball program begins, the biggest hurdle is finding space for practices. The Sandwich school gyms are full and it was suggested to approach Somonauk schools to see if they had any space available.

Staff is needed for the Harvest Moon Hayrides on October 17. The event begins at 5:30 p.m.

PARKS: Director Warren Spurgeon has spoken to Bish Excavating concerning the dirt pile at Milestone Park. Bish believed that there were three options:

1. Check the annexation agreement to see if the removal of the dirt is the developers responsibility.

2. Have the developer share the cost of moving the dirt.
3. Get a topo done to see how much of the dirt might stay and how much could be moved.

A thank-you note was received from the Sesquicentennial committee for the Park District's support of the event.

Snow removal bids were sought from two sources and were reviewed. A motion was made by Roberta Troeger and seconded by Bill Clemons to contract with Bernie Frieders for snow removal, as outlined, for the 2009-2010 season.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Steve Wolf, aye Roberta Troeger, Bill Clemons, aye Liz Curtis, aye
4 ayes, 0 nays

MOTION CARRIED

PERSONNEL: The search for a replacement for Jay Miller's position has begun. Warren Spurgeon has begun interviewing. It was suggested to advertise for the position with a starting salary of \$10.00 per hour.

LAW & ORDER/SAFETY: There has been vandalism reported at both Memorial and Milestone parks. A firecracker was set off in the lock at the Memorial Park concession stand and a bowling ball was thrown through the side of the Milestone Park storage barn.

With the threat of the H1N1 flu in the area, Warren Spurgeon asked if prevention measures should be taken for the staff with inoculations. Steve Wolf felt that the Park District should not be responsible for inoculations, but that a statement should be issued encouraging the staff to get them. It was also suggested that hand sanitizer be made available in the restrooms.

The new defibrillators have arrived and Warren Spurgeon has scheduled the first training class with Chuck Fish on October 15th. Other classes will be scheduled over the winter months. Todd Latham will be contacted to see how many of his coaches are interested in being trained and if a shared expense for the training be worked out.

It was suggested that some changes need to be made to the Boys Baseball contract before next year.

OLD BUSINESS: FLAG POLE: A motion was made by Roberta Troeger and seconded by Bill Clemons to purchase a 30 foot internal lanyard flag pole from J.C. Schultz in the amount of \$957.00 plus shipping for Memorial Park.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Steve Wolf, aye Roberta Troeger, Bill Clemons, aye Liz Curtis, aye
4 ayes, 0 nays

MOTION CARRIED

SESSQUICENTENNIAL: The Park District had sponsored a scavenger hunt in conjunction with the Sandwich Historical Society. Six teams took park in the search. Other games were held at Knights Park and they had a good turn-out.

At the Taste of Sandwich over 800 bottles of water were given out.

DUTCH ACRES: Dan Kramer advised that they are still trying to straighten out the tax coding on the playground and retention pond at Dutch Acres. As soon as that is done, the property will be turned over to the Park District.

NEW BUSINESS: JANUARY CONFERENCE: Steve Wolf reminded Board members of the annual January conference and that housing reservations should be made now to secure a room.

At another meeting, Steve Wolf also would like to discuss what the Park District will pay for spouses and for meal allotments.

TENNIS COURT REPAIR: A large crack has developed down the center of the tennis courts. Miller Blacktop has been contracted to repair the crack at a cost of \$975.00.

WEBSITE: Liz Curtis asked that information on the tree memorial program be put on the website.

As there was no further business, a motion was made by Bill Clemons and seconded by Roberta Troeger to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on November 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Steve Wolf, President

Starr Frederick, Secretary