

**DIXON PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
804 PALMYRA STREET DIXON, ILLINOIS
SEPTEMBER 19, 2018**

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. President Ron Pritchard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Roll Call: President R. Pritchard - present
Vice President - Shane Miller - present
Commissioner - Rodney Frey - present
Commissioner and Board Secretary - Keith Aurand - present
Commissioner - Steve Pritchard - present via phone
Staff Present: Duane Long - Executive Director
Teresa Smith - Administrative Assistant

II. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

- A. Adrian Roberts - Donation to Dixon Park District
Adrian Roberts with the Green River Riders presented a \$300 check to the Dixon Park District. Funds were collected from the Rockin on the Rock Float Trip. The donation will be dedicated to the Wooden Wonderland Splash Pad.
- B. Adrian Roberts - Donation to Rock River Development Authority
Adrian Roberts with the Green River Riders presented a \$300 check to the Rock River Development Authority. David Blanton and James Marks from the Rock River Development Authority were present to receive the check.
- C. Five Cousins Lemonade Stand Donation
The 5 cousins and their parents from the Five Cousins Lemonade Stand presented a \$250 check to the Dixon Park District. The lemonade stand was set up at John Dixon Park early in August. The donation will be dedicated to the Wooden Wonderland Splash Pad.
- D. Meadows Farm Lease
JR Humphrey, Brian Burrs and Gary Burrs were present at the meeting. Commissioner Miller made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Frey to accept the \$226 per acre bid, the higher of the two bids for leasing of the Meadows farm property. Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, Aurand - no, and S. Pritchard - yes; motion carried.
- E. Sale of Plum Creek - Resolution #294
Commissioner Aurand made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Frey to approve the Sale of Plum Creek - Resolution #294 as presented. Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, Aurand - yes, and S. Pritchard - yes; motion carried.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. The Board returned to Open session at 6:32 p.m.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

Heritage Square sent a couple of cards expressing appreciation for the programs provided for their facility by Carol Schnaiter.

The Lee County Fair Association sent a card expressing appreciation for hosting Kids Korner at the Lee County Fair in 2018.

Kreider Services sent a card expressing appreciation for the support received from the Park District.

The Dixon Police Department sent a card expressing appreciation for the Dixon Park District support of the Cops N Bobbers event held in August.

V. VISITORS Sign-in sheet is on file.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Commissioner Miller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Aurand , to approve the September 4, 2018 regular session minutes and the August 15, 2018 executive session minutes as printed and the August 15, 2018 regular session minutes with the following amendments: Roll Call should indicate Commissioner Miller arriving at 6:08 p.m. and Commissioner S. Pritchard was present.

Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, Aurand - yes, and S. Pritchard - yes; motion carried.

VII. FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. Commissioner Miller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Frey to accept all financial documents for August 2018 as printed.

Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, Aurand - yes, and S. Pritchard - yes; motion carried.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Commissioners

1. President R. Pritchard - None
2. Commissioner Miller -None
3. Commissioner Frey -None
4. Commissioner Aurand -None
5. Commissioner S. Pritchard - None

B. Executive Director

The Board reviewed Long's report as printed.

Long indicated he has investigated the listing price for the property next to Lowell Park that is currently on the market.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. Deb Carey Appreciation

Long presented a sample plaque that could be used to dedicate the Savanna in Page Park. The park staff will continue to research options for a plaque and plan to dedicate the savanna in the spring of 2019.

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. FY2017-2018 Audit
Commissioner Frey made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Aurand to accept the FY2017-2018 Audit as presented.
Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, Aurand - yes, and S. Pritchard - yes; motion carried.
- B. FY2017-2018 Treasurer's Report
Commissioner Miller made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Frey to accept the FY2017-2018 Treasurer's Report as presented.
Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, Aurand - yes, and S. Pritchard - yes; motion carried.
- C. 2016 ComEd Green Region Grant- Resolution #293
Commissioner Miller made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Aurand to approve the 2016 ComEd Green Region Grant- Resolution #293 as presented.
Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, Aurand - yes, and S. Pritchard - yes; motion carried.
- D. Goose Concerns in the Park
Long presented information on a plan to apply a product to the grass to deter the geese from feeding along the river in Page Park. The product would make the grass taste bitter to the geese and is safe for pets and other animals. The product would be applied to a specific zone and signage would be put up to suggest feeding on the south side of the road. An update on the use of the product will be provided at the October meeting.
- E. Shore Up River Bank at Lowell Park
Long indicated that he has been in contact with a local company that makes blocks that could be used to prevent erosion. Long will be getting a price estimate. The company making the blocks would need to create a mold for the blocks.
- F. Plum Creek Easement Modification-Review/Approve
Commissioner Miller made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Frey to approve the Plum Creek Easement Modification as presented.
Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, Aurand - yes, and S. Pritchard - yes; motion carried.

XI. ADJOURN

- At 7:39 p.m. Commissioner Miller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Aurand, to adjourn.
Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, Aurand - yes, and S. Pritchard - yes; motion carried.

Signatures: _____ Date: _____
Ron Pritchard

_____ Date: _____
Shane Miller

_____ Date: _____
Keith Aurand

_____ Date: _____
Steve Pritchard

_____ Date: _____
Rodney Frey