

**Special Meeting Summary
Centerville-Washington Park District
January 14, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 P.M. with the following in attendance: Commissioners Birdseye, Weisman, and Williams; Mrs. Kennard, Director; Mr. Kunkel, Operations Manager; Mr. Feldmann, Development Manager; Mr. Carter, Operations Supervisor; Mr. George, Athletic Supervisor; Mrs. Castillo, Program Manager; and Mrs. Smith, Business Manager.

The Board approved the minutes of the December 14, 2009 work session and regular meeting.

VISITORS

John Havert, 8217 Station House Road, referred to Forest Field West development information and asked the Board about the Centerville United Soccer Association. Mr. Birdseye explained the composition of this community soccer organization. Mr. Havert questioned why soccer practices were not scheduled in other community parks. Mrs. Kennard explained how every community park is filled with athletics during the spring and fall. Mr. Havert complained that nonresidents play on the competitive teams. Mrs. Weisman stated that the Board has not yet made a decision on the development at Forest Field Park and is looking at options based on community needs and public input. Mr. Williams said the Board is seeking a balance between the community needs and the neighbors' wishes.

John Miller, 7573 Pelbrook Farm Drive, said that the neighbors to the park do not want this development. He said that Mrs. Walker was told her property value would be reduced by \$50,000 if Forest Field West were developed. Mr. Birdseye explained how the Park District tries to be a good neighbor, but that the park is for the entire community.

Roberta Tumlinson, 787 Clareridge Lane, asked if the parking lot was for a new playground. Mr. Birdseye said that a new playground is not proposed.

Mr. Havert said that it does not matter that the additional parking has been planned since the 1970's. Ms. Weisman explained that the reason it matters is that the Park District did not misrepresent the planned use of the park when the homes in the neighborhood were built. Mr. Havert said there would not be room for any casual activity at the park in the evenings with the soccer practice schedule.

Janelle Fritschie, 429 Lake Shore Drive, Lebanon, works for CUSA and said that the use of Forest Field Park could be by recreational or competitive teams. She explained that including nonresidents allows competitive opportunities for residents and that nonresident fees are paid by teams not meeting the residency requirements. She also said that soccer use does not preclude use by casual visitors. She said CUSA is willing to be flexible in scheduling times. She explained the safety issue of getting young players from the back of the park to the current parking lot.

Brett Thompson, 3763 Lost Willow Drive, Mason, also expressed his concern for the safety of the children when leaving the back of the park.

FISCAL

The Board reviewed and approved the 2009 Annual Financial Report.

The Board reviewed and approved the December 31, 2010 Financial Report.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel Action. The Board approved the hiring of Winter Woods Day Camp counselors.

Merit Increase. The Board approved a merit increase for Brett Ney.

2010 Appropriation Budget. The Board approved the 2010 Appropriation Budget.

2010 Appropriation Resolution. The Board approved the 2010 Appropriation Resolution.

Intent to Sell Property by Internet Auction. The Board approved a motion to sell Park District personal property which is not needed for public use, is obsolete, or is unfit for the use for which it was acquired, by Internet auction.

Declaration of Unneeded, Obsolete or Unfit for Use Personal Property. The Board declared one computer, one monitor, and five mowers as unneeded, obsolete, or unfit for use by the Park District and to dispose of said items in a manner authorized by the Ohio Revised Code:

Park District Agreements. The Board made note of the following land use agreements and their respective renewal dates:

Grant Park - Parcel 13 - .823 Acres Leased from Centerville City Schools	Renewal May 1, 2073
Bill Yeck Park - Parcel 7 - 15.919 Acres Jointly owned by Centerville-Washington Park District and Five Rivers MetroParks	Renewal November 8, 2031

Appointment of Commissioner. J. William Williams, whose term expires May 10, 2010, will notify the Montgomery County Court of Common Pleas in March of his availability for re-appointment to the Board of Park Commissioners for a final three-year term.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Mr. Birdseye directed the staff to move ahead in researching possible locations and sizes for an additional parking lot at Forest Field Park considering the public input. He asked the staff to present alternatives to the Board for their consideration and to include soccer field locations on the concept plans.

STAFF REPORT

Mr. Feldmann reported on his meeting with the architect, landscape designer, and engineer to review possible LEED elements for the headquarters expansion.

Mr. Kunkel explained the heating system project for the Oak Grove Park maintenance building.

Mr. George stated that he is confident the proposed additional parking and soccer fields at Forest Field Park will be utilized. He and the Board discussed the recent RecQuest, Inc. meeting.

Mrs. Castillo announced the posting of the part-time program assistant position. The deadline to apply is February 5, 2010. She also reported an increase of 224 volunteer hours in 2009 from 2008. Ms. Weisman praised Kristen Marks for her success in increasing volunteer opportunities.

Mr. Birdseye and Ms. Weisman praised Mrs. Smith for her work preparing the Park District financial reports.

Mrs. Kennard announced that Mrs. Smith's fifteenth anniversary at the Park District is January 20. She also announced that the National Recreation and Park Association's Legislative Forum is scheduled for March 16-19, 2010 in Washington D.C. The Board commended the staff for their strategic plan goal achievements. Mrs. Kennard reported that the mayor of Centerville will give his state of the city speech on February 1, 2010 and host the mayor's breakfast on February 24, 2010.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 P.M.