

**Regular Meeting Summary
Centerville-Washington Park District
February 10, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the following in attendance: Commissioners Lee and Sánchez; Mrs. Kennard, Director; and Mrs. Smith, Business Manager. The Board approved the minutes of the January 13, 2014 work session and regular meeting.

FISCAL

The Board reviewed and approved the 2013 Annual Financial Report and the January 31, 2014 Financial Report and voucher list.

NEW BUSINESS

Ten-Year Plan. The Board approved a ten-year plan for the operation, maintenance, and development of the parks in the District for the next operating levy period, 2015-2024.

The Board made note of the hiring of Mitchell DeShurko as Winter Woods Day Camp Counselor.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Mrs. Sánchez thanked the staff for taking advantage of the opportunity for professional development at the OPRA annual conference.

Mr. Lee inquired about the construction of the turnaround at the end of Wallington Circle. Mrs. Kennard explained that Washington Township will have the turnaround constructed in conjunction with the Paragon Road extension. The Park District will pay for the turnaround and dedicate the property to the Township.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Financial Highlights:

- The January financial report reflects the first advances from the first half property taxes totally \$76,618. The Park District has received another \$215,312 since the end of January.
- The Park District received the \$51,196 reimbursement from the Ohio NatureWorks grant for the fitness trail at Oak Grove Park.
- Centerville Wee Elks Football Association, Centerville United Soccer Association, and Centerville Youth Lacrosse donated a total of \$14,415 for matching funds projects for 2014.

Administration Highlights:

- The Yes For Parks committee is busy developing education materials for the upcoming CWPD levy on the ballot May 6, 2014. Information is available on the website www.yesforparkscw.com or on Facebook and Twitter. People interested in being involved can email the committee at info@yesforparkscw.com.
- Our Park District was presented two awards at the annual Ohio Parks & Recreation Association conference in Sandusky on February 4, 2014. The Oak Grove Park archery range was awarded first place in the sports programs category and the native seed nursery, located at Bill Yeck Park, was awarded third place in the natural resources and conservation category.
- The Park District just received word that we have been approved for a \$32,904 grant from the Montgomery County Solid Waste District Recycling Incentive grant for construction of a boardwalk and deck at the Oak Creek South Park wetland.

Program Highlights:

- The Park District is partnering with other local parks & recreation agencies to provide the MVRAC (Miami Valley Recreation Activities Council) Madness – a family special event hosted at the Kettering Recreation Complex in March.

- Thirty different classes filled completely on this first day of spring program registration for residents. 1,080 individuals registered for program slots with 56 people on waiting lists of many popular programs. Registration will open for nonresidents on February 17, 2014.
- Katy Malcolm, Naturalist, will represent the Park District at the 3rd annual No Child Left Inside Summit hosted at Cox Arboretum on February 22, 2014.

Development Highlights:

- Public bidding is underway for the Bill Yeck Park – Smith House renovation project and the Robert F. Mays Park development project.
- Construction continues as weather permits at the Bill Yeck Park – Smith Entrance improvement project and the Iron Horse Park shelter construction.

Operations Highlights:

- Operations staff is working with the local youth athletic organizations to coordinate start-up dates. Preparation of the fields will be delayed until the snow melts.
- The Park District has announced Requests for Proposals for Consulting Forester services to assist in managing the impact of the Emerald Ash Borer on trees in the parks.
- Grant George recently completed the National Playground Institute Playground Inspector's certification.

Mrs. Kennard reviewed recent meetings held with the Ohio Department of Transportation and with officials from the City of Centerville and Washington Township regarding the southern extension of the Iron Horse Trail. Discussion at the meetings included various options and grant financing opportunities.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 P.M.