

**BATAVIA PARK DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 16, 2009- BARTHOLOMEW ROOM**

**CALL TO ORDER- REGULAR BOARD MEETING-** The regular board meeting was called to order by Vice President Behmer at 7:07 p.m.

**ROLL CALL-** Vice President Behmer called for the roll. Commissioners' Behmer, Corken, Foiles and Tilmon were in attendance. Commissioner Callahan was absent. Staff in attendance included Executive Director, Michael Clark Director of Finance, Linda Straka; Director of Marketing and Public Relations, Allison Sohr; Director of Museum and Interpretative Services, Carla Hill; Director of Parks and Properties, Eric Lacher; Director of Planning and Development, Jim Eby; Director of Leisure Services, Jeff Clark. Also in attendance was Deanna Kellum, minute's recorder and Legal Counsel for the District, Derke Price.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-** All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEMS REMOVED/ADDED/CHANGED ON AGENDA-** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA-** President Callahan entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda which included approval of the minutes from the May 19, 2009 Public Hearing, May 19, 2009 Regular Board Meeting, May 19, 2009 Executive Session, Approval of Ordinance #282- Prevailing Wage Ordinance, Approval of the Paid and Unpaid Expenditures and the Treasurer's Report. **Motion was made by Corken and seconded by Tilmon to establish the Consent Agenda as presented. The roll was called. Ayes: Corken, Tilmon, Foiles and Behmer. Nays: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Callahan. Motion passed. Motion was made by Foiles and seconded by Corken to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The roll was called. Ayes: Foiles, Corken, Tilmon and Behmer. Nays: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Callahan. Motion passed.**

**GUEST- MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC-** None.

**MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS-** Commissioner Foiles updated the Board on the newest member of the Batavia Parks Foundation, Hayden Howes. Howes will be taking Foiles place on the Foundation's Board. He also updated the Board on the Parks Foundation's SpaceNet Project. He stated the SpaceNet equipment has been purchased and will be installed by this fall. The Foundation is looking to raise more funds to help with the installation cost. There will be several opportunities for the community to help out at the upcoming Windmill City Festival.

Commissioner Corken requested more information regarding the recycling program. She stated that several members of the community asked questions regarding the Park District's recycling program at the last community input meeting. Director Lacher stated he has a master plan for the recycling program. He will bring it before the Board at next

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month's meeting. Corken also thanked staff for their quick response to adding an adaptive swing to the playground at Walnut Park.

**CORRESPONDENCE-** None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS-** Director Sohr read the announcements.

1. River Rhapsody Concert Series will be held down by the Riverwalk on Wednesday, June 17 and 24. A free family- friendly movie will be shown after the concert on June 17.
2. The annual Windmill City Festival will be held on July 10-12.
3. Tickets are now on sale for the Pin Drop. The Pin Drop event will be held at the Windmill City Festival on Saturday, July 11 at 8:00 p.m.
4. Windmill Whirl 5k Run will be held on Friday, July 10 at 7:00 p.m.
5. The Batavia Parks Foundation will be holding a "Toss for a Cause" bags tournament on Saturday, July 11 during the Windmill City Festival beginning at 5:30 p.m.
6. The Batavia Depot Museum will be hosting its annual Quilt and Textile Show July 17, 18 and 19 located at Eastside Community Center and Shannon Hall.

**AFFILIATE REPORTS-** President acknowledged receipt of the Batavia Parks Foundation's April minutes.

**STAFF REPORTS-** Commissioner Corken asked to discuss the recent acts of vandalism at the Peg Bond Center. She asked if staff had considered installing cameras to help deter vandals. Director Lacher stated the Park District has looked into the cost and care of cameras to be used at other park sites. He went into further detail on how the cameras transmit. He stated the bathrooms that were vandalized at the Peg Bond Center are open during programming but no longer open for general public use.

Commissioner Behmer requested a follow up from last month's programming analysis. Director Clark is working on a new format that is used by other park districts. He will have the information at next month's meeting.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT-** Executive Director Clark stated he will be meeting with consultants this week regarding current projects. He will be sure to keep the Board posted and will go into further detail during closed session tonight.

**PRESENTATIONS-** None.

**OLD BUSINESS –**

- a. **Policy Discussion-** No update.
- b. **Prairie and Lathem Park Renovation Project-** Director Eby updated the Board on the progress being made at Prairie and Lathem Park. Weather has been a factor for completing the tennis courts. Commissioner Tilmon requested for Director Eby to find out how many consecutive dry days the

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contractor needs in order to finish the courts. Director Eby thanked the school district for their help with educating the students and parents about the project.

- c. Engstrom Park Renovation Grant Application-** Director Eby reviewed the concept drawing of the park with the Board. He stated the next step for applying for the grant is for the Board to approve the proposed concept. The Board would like for staff to try incorporating the Rotolo Middle School Robotics Team's plan for parking lot drainage. Vice President Behmer entertained a motion to approve the concept plan for renovation of Engstrom Park and directed staff to proceed with the OSLAD grant funding application process. Motion was made by Tilmon, seconded by Corken. **The roll was called. Ayes: Tilmon, Corken, Foiles and Behmer. Nays: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Callahan. Motion passed.**

**NEW BUSINESS –**

- a. Planning Update-** Executive Director Clark reminded the Board of the need to find a replacement for Director Lacher on the City of Batavia's Planning Commission Board. Director Lacher has served the past two years on this Board. It has been discussed in the past to allow a resident living within the Park District's jurisdiction to be a representative on this committee.

**FOX VALLEY SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION-** No update.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD-** None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-** Motion was made by Foiles, seconded by Tilmon to adjourn into Executive Session at 7:59 p.m. to discuss Land Acquisition (2)(c)(5) and Personnel (2)(c)(1).

**Motion was made by Foiles, seconded by Corken to reconvene the regular meeting at 8:52 p.m. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

**ADJOURNMENT -** With no further business before the Board, **motion was made by Corken seconded by Behmer to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:52 p.m. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

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Secretary, Board of Commissioners  
Batavia Park District

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