

BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
MARCH 18, 2013

Commissioners present: Breen, Brooks, Cravatta, Hogan, and Ludwig.

Commissioners absent: none.

Staff present: Brunner, Gerke, Henkel, McCammond, Murray, Tucker, and Wolf.

Guests present: Carol Jackowski, District's Auditor and Brad Auker, citizen.

The board and staff met at 6pm at PrairieView Golf Club's clubhouse to tour the newly remodeled facility then traveled over to the new Turf Care Center for a tour of these newly renovated facilities as well.

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7pm at the Jarrett Prairie Center.

There were no board additions to the agenda. Director Tucker removed Agenda Items 13B and 13C - Executive Sessions 2(C)(5) and 2(C)(11).

BROOKS MOVED AND HOGAN SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

There was no public comment.

President Breen opened the floor to Carol Jackowski of Beggin, Tipp, and Lamm to present the District's 2012 Audit. She reviewed the letter with the board. She stated that everything that was tested was documented and had adequate support.

HOGAN MOVED AND BROOKS SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AND EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 25, 2013. It was noted in the regular meeting minutes that the signature block needed to be changed to reflect that Commissioner Ludwig was Secretary Pro Tem

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in Commissioner Cravatta's absence at that meeting. HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – ABSTAIN, AND BREEN – YES.

The correspondence was noted. Director Tucker stated that he spoke to Mr. Trenholm and explained the situation with the new Davis property.

The board was asked to view a DVD that was developed by IAPD. Each board member can view it at their leisure then pass it along to the next board member.

BROOKS MOVED AND LUDWIG SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2013. LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

President Breen noted that the commissioners must complete their economic interest statements and submit them to Michelle.

President Breen opened the floor to District Department Heads to present their Staff Reports: Todd Tucker, Administrative Services Department-7:18-7:23 pm; Richie Wolf, Education Department-7:23-7:27 pm; Russell Brunner, Restoration/Maintenance Department-7:27-7:35 pm-He noted that the Byron Fire Department will be using our property to practice on grassland fires. Steve Murray, Golf Course Operations-7:35-7:43 pm-Installing a new irrigation system was discussed. If the financing is available, the project could be completed in two months with no golf days lost. Director Tucker noted that any old equipment could be salvaged through Golf Superintendent and Professional Associations to other golf courses.

BROOKS MOVED AND HOGAN SECONDED A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO DESTROY THE AUDIO TAPE RECORDING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2011. CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

HOGAN MOVED AND LUDWIG SECONDED A MOTION AT 7:44 PM TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER SECTION 2(C)(1) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OF THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES OF THE DISTRICT INCLUDING HEARING TESTIMONY ON A COMPLAINT LODGED AGAINST AN EMPLOYEE TO DETERMINE ITS VALIDITY. CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

CRAVATTA MOVED AND LUDWIG SECONDED A MOTION AT 8:09 PM TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION. HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

HOGAN MOVED AND LUDWIG SECONDED A MOTION AT 8:10 PM TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

Respectfully submitted,

Denny Cravatta, Secretary  
Board of Commissioners