

BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
JUNE 18, 2012

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

Commissioners absent: none.

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

Guests present: Jim Pirages, District's Attorney.

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm.

Director Tucker added Executive Session 2(C)(11) to the agenda before the discussion of the Steward Building Bid Results.

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

HOGAN MOVED AND CRAVATTA SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING AND EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF MAY 21, 2012. It was noted to change Commissioner Ludwig's attendance. HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – ABSTAIN, BROOKS –YES, CRAVATTA – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

HOGAN MOVED AND LUDWIG SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MAY 2012. LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

President Breen reminded the board to complete the Open Meetings Act training.

The Bike Path Committee progress was discussed.

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President Breen opened the floor to District Department Heads to present their Staff Reports: Todd Tucker, Administrative Services Department-7:10-7:15 pm-He reported that the openings of the two preserves went very well with many in attendance.

At this time, Jim Pirages, District's Attorney, arrived.

BROOKS MOVED AND LUDWIG SECONDED A MOTION AT 7:15 PM TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER SECTION 2(C)(11) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OF PENDING, OR PROBABLE AND IMMINENT, LITIGATION AGAINST, AFFECTING, OR ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT. BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

BROOKS MOVED AND LUDWIG SECONDED A MOTION AT 7:52 PM TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION. CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

Attorney Pirages departed immediately following Executive Session.

The presentation of Staff Reports continued at this time. Richie Wolf, Education Department-7:53-7:56 pm; Russell Brunner, Restoration/Maintenance Department-7:56-8:01 pm-Commissioner Ludwig asked about the He-Leo Preserve. Russell stated that they will probably burn it this fall but it's not really an area for the public. Steve Murray, Golf Course Operatons-8:01-8:07 pm-Greg reported on the irrigation system. They had a pump specialist inspect the system and he made some repairs that will keep it fixed for awhile; otherwise, more repairs could be very costly. Cheryl Heesaker, Stone Quarry

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Recreation Park Department-8:07-8:09 pm-Commissioner Brooks suggested publishing a press release reminding the public that the park is still open.

HOGAN MOVED AND BROOKS SECONDED A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO DESTROY THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AUDIO TAPE RECORDING OF DECEMBER 20, 2010. HOGAN – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

The board agreed to keep the bond counsel issue tabled until the July meeting.

HOGAN MOVED AND LUDWIG SECONDED A MOTION TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE REGULAR FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING TO FEBRUARY 25, 2013, INSTEAD OF FEBRUARY 18, 2013. LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

CRAVATTA MOVED AND LUDWIG SECONDED A MOTION TO TABLE THE APPROVAL OF THE STEWARD BUILDING BID RESULTS. BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

The board discussed placing gambling machines at the clubhouse due to a request from the public. The District's ordinance states that gambling is not allowed on District property. The board agreed that gambling machines will not be installed at the clubhouse.

BROOKS MOVED AND HOGAN SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PREVAILING WAGE ORDINANCE NO. 12-1. CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

BROOKS MOVED AND HOGAN SECONDED A MOTION AT 8:19 PM TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER SECTION 2(C)(1) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OF THE QPPOINTMENT, 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, UNDER SECTION 2(C)(5) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OF THE PURCHASE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE USE OF THE DISTRICT, AND UNDER SECTION 2(C)(11) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OF PENDING, OR PROBABLE AND IMMINENT, LITIGATION AGAINST, AFFECTING, OR ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT. HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

CRAVATTA MOVED AND BROOKS SECONDED A MOTION AT 8:31 PM TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION. LUDWIG – YES, BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

CRAVATTA MOVED AND LUDWIG SECONDED A MOTION AT 8:32 PM TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. BROOKS – YES, CRAVATTA – YES, HOGAN – YES, LUDWIG – YES, AND BREEN – YES.

Respectfully submitted,

Denny Cravatta, Secretary  
Board of Commissioners