

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
104 United Drive, Collinsville, Illinois
Tuesday April 9, 2013

I. Call to Order President Gene Peters called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

II Attendance Roll call

Present were: Harold Byers, Madison County
Jerry Kane, Madison County
Gene Peters, Madison County
Earl McDowell, St. Clair County

Mike Buehlhorn, Executive Director
Bryan Werner, Planner
Rene' St. Peters, Administrative Assistant
Jacob Volkmar, Grants Coordinator
John Papa, Attorney
Bill Baudendistel, Juneau Associates

Absent were: Barbara Hohlt, St. Clair County
Gregory Yank, St. Clair County

III. Establishment of Quorum

IV. Public Discussion and/or Comment

V. Approval of Minutes

a) Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director McDowell to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2013 regular meeting as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Barbara Hohlt	Absent
Jerry Kane	Aye	Earl McDowell	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Gregory Yank	Absent

4 Ayes No Nays 2 Absent Motion Carried

VI. Consent Agenda

Director McDowell made a motion, seconded by Director Kane to approve the consent agenda items a through d as presented on pages 5-31.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Barbara Hohlt	Absent
Jerry Kane	Aye	Earl McDowell	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Gregory Yank	Absent

4 Ayes No Nays 2 Absent Motion Carried

VII. Finance

a) Director Byers made a motion, seconded by Director McDowell to approve the payments and claims for March 9, 2013 MEPRD as presented on pages 32-40 all except check 6038 payable to MCT.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Barbara Hohlt	Absent
Jerry Kane	Aye	Earl McDowell	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Gregory Yank	Absent

4 Ayes No Nays 2 Absent Motion Carried

Director Byers made a motion, seconded by Director McDowell to approve check 6038 payable to MCT.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Barbara Hohlt	Absent
Jerry Kane	Abstain	Earl McDowell	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Gregory Yank	Absent

3 Ayes No Nays 2 Absent 1 Abstained Motion Carried

b) Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director Byers to approve the payments and claims for March 2013 MMMP as presented on page 41.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Barbara Hohlt	Absent
Jerry Kane	Aye	Earl McDowell	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Gregory Yank	Absent

4 Ayes No Nays 2 Absent Motion Carried

c) No transfers to be made.

VIII. Executive Director's Staff Report

IDNR Bike Path Grant Application – Executive Director Mike Buehlhorn reported that he has met with Jan Nation with IDNR and they looked at the Scott Air Force Base MetroLink Station to Siebert Road trail project which is pending IDNR grant funding.

Funding for Scott Troy- Executive Director Mike Buehlhorn reported he has been in contact with an interested partner for the Scott Troy Trail and would report more details at the May board meeting.

July 4th Event Update – Executive Director Mike Buehlhorn reported that this year's July 4th event will take place on the 4th, 5th and 6th.

Old Chain of Rocks Bridge Update – Executive Director Mike Buehlhorn reported that he spoke with Mayor Hamm about the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge Trail. Executive Buehlhorn stated that the City of Madison and Great Rivers Greenway are discussing ways to improve the bridge.

Statement of Economic Interests – Item not discussed due to the absence of two board members.

FY14 Budget Draft – The staff has begun working on the FY14 budget. A preliminary budget draft will be ready and presented at the May board meeting.

Greater East St. Louis Community Fund – Art at the Park Event – Planner Bryan Werner reported that the event has been moved to June 13th.

GIS and website updates – Planner Bryan Werner reported that he has updated the online trail map program by adding a new GIS map layer that will give details of each trail surface.

IX. Old Business

No old business to discuss.

X. New Business

a) Sponsorship Request: Belleville Parks and Recreation Department, \$2,500.00 for their Annual Tour de Belleville Bike Ride on July 12, 2013.

Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director Byers to approve the sponsorship request from Belleville Parks and Recreation Department for their Annual Tour de Belleville Bike Ride on July 12, 2013 in the amount of \$2,500.00.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Barbara Hohlt	Absent
Jerry Kane	Aye	Earl McDowell	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Gregory Yank	Absent

4 Ayes No Nays 2 Absent Motion Carried

b) Sponsorship request: Trailnet, \$2,500.00 for the Longest Day Bicycle Ride on June 23, 2013 held at the MEPRD Office.

Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director Byers to approve the sponsorship request from Trailnet for their Longest Day Bicycle Ride event on June 23, 2013 in the amount of \$2,500.00.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Barbara Hohlt	Absent
Jerry Kane	Aye	Earl McDowell	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Gregory Yank	Absent

4 Ayes No Nays 2 Absent Motion Carried

c) Sponsorship request: Highland Lions Club, \$900.00 for the Memorial Day Biathlon and 5 Mile Run.

Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director Byers to approve the sponsorship request from Highland Lions Club for their Memorial Day Biathlon and 5 Mile Run event in the amount of \$900.00.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Barbara Hohlt	Absent
Jerry Kane	Aye	Earl McDowell	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Gregory Yank	Absent

4 Ayes No Nays 2 Absent Motion Carried

d) Resolution 13-09: Authorizing MEPRD to participate in the ibid Program for the sale/purchase of equipment through the State of Illinois.

Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director McDowell to approve Resolution 13-09 as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Barbara Hohlt	Absent
Jerry Kane	Aye	Earl McDowell	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Gregory Yank	Absent

4 Ayes No Nays 2 Absent Motion Carried

e) Report of District Engineer

No report was given.

XI. Adjournment

At 11:35 p.m. President Peters asked to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Director Kane seconded by Director Byers to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye on a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Rene' St. Peters
Administrative Assistant**

Next MEPRD meeting will be held on May 14, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.