



CENTRE REGION PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
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Regular Meeting Agenda
for Thursday, 10 Dec 09, 12:15 PM
at the Centre Region COG Building - Forum Room

I. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL:

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| • Ms. Sue Mascolo, Chair | Ferguson Twp. | • Mr. Roy Harpster, Vice-Chair | Harris Twp. |
| • Ms. Kathy Matason, Sec. | College Twp. | • Ms. Donna Conway, Treas. | State College Borough |
| • Donna M. Ricketts, D.Ed. | SCASD | • Mr. Chris Hurley | Patton Twp. |

II. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC for any item not on the agenda (up to 3 min./person)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None

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| From Special Meeting of 5 Nov 09 | (Attachment #1) | (Action) |
| From Regular Meeting of 12 Nov 09 | (Attachment #2) | (Action) |

IV. ACTION ON VOUCHERS

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| for November | (Attachment #3) | (Action) |
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V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

• **Member & Municipal Committee Updates:**

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| Ferguson Twp. | State College Borough | College Twp. |
| Patton Twp. | Harris Twp. | SCASD |

• **Millbrook Marsh Nature Center Advisory Committee:** Ms. Hetrick

The committee combined their Nov. & Dec. Meetings for one meeting on 2 Dec 09 where they focused on the 2009 program report, the proposed 2010 Fee Policy and the Project Schedule for the Spring Creek Education Building.

• **COG Parks Capital Committee:** Mr. Harpster, Ms. Mascolo and Mr. Woodhead

The committee met on 19 Nov 09 to continue work on their current major initiatives. The discussion focused on the Hess Softball Field Complex proposal from Harris Township. The questions to be researched were finalized. The committee will next meet on 17 Dec 09.

• **Regional Park Planning Committee:** Mr. Woodhead

(Consists of the CRPR Board and the COG Parks Capital Committee)

The committee met on 19 Oct 09; no meeting was held in November. The next meeting will be held on Monday, 7 Dec 09 at 12:15 PM in the Forum Room.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

• **Director's Report:**

- Mr. Woodhead will introduce the new Senior Center Supervisor: Virginia E. Shawley, who begins work on Monday, 7 Dec 09.

- Activity Report for November: Mr. Woodhead (Attachment #4)
- “Program Grant” Awarded to CRPR by the National Rec. & Park Assn.:
“The NRPA-AARP 10-Week Walking Program will highlight the many benefits of parks and recreation in addition to helping participants find safe places to walk, and will provide tools and support to help them take personal responsibility for their health. Based upon a competitive application process, 30 agencies nationwide were selected to receive a program materials and pedometers to provide weekly informational sessions on fitness and nutrition. New this year:
 - Agencies will be given the opportunity to include an inter-generational component to their program,
 - Each agency will be asked to assist their program participants to complete a Walking Audit of the community to determine needed improvements to make the community more pedestrian friendly.”
- 2009 Program Summary Report for Millbrook Marsh Nature Center: Ms. Hetrick (Attachment #5)
- The CRPR “ActiveNews” eNewsletters: Ms. Lee (Attachment #6)
- The Spring Creek Educ. Building at MMNC: Mr. Woodhead will review the project schedule from HP Architects, based upon the Authority’s conditional “Authorization to Bid” at the Sept. meeting. (Attachment #7)
- The 2010 Board / Authority Reorganization: Mr. Woodhead
 1. No member terms expire in 2009; the 2010 officer elections are scheduled for the 14 Jan 2010 meeting.
 2. The Authority should discuss how/if they wish to handle requests for “Alternate Appointees” pending the provisions of the PA Municipal Authority Act. The Director suggests consulting with Solicitor in advance of the 14 Jan 2010 meeting.
 3. The Authority should provide direction to staff on the prior Board-member suggestion regarding 2010 Solicitor services.

• Supervisor Highlights:

Ms. Beth Lee	Mr. Jeff Hall	Mr. Todd Roth
Ms. Virginia Shawley	Mr. Greg Roth	Ms. Molly Hetrick

VII. COMMUNICATIONS - None

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. The Director requests Board endorsement of a staff proposal to establish a **“CRPR Community Gardener Committee”** to provide input and assistance to staff in operating current and future CRPR community garden plots. (Attachment #8) **(Action)**
- B. The Authority should consider the reappointments of the following volunteers for 2-year terms (to expire 31 Dec 2011) to the Millbrook Marsh Nature Center Advisory Committee:

Shaver’s Creek Environmental Center	Mark McLaughlin
ClearWater Conservancy:	Carolyn Mahan
Borough of State College	Alan Sam
State College Bird Club	Mark Henry (reply pending)
At-Large	Robert Ayer

(Action)

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Pending Reappointment (hold for 14 Jan 2010 action):

Centre Regional Planning Comm. (Mr. Epp's CRPC appointment is expiring)

Special Authorization:

Dr. Rob Brooks, appointed representative of the PSU Cooperative Wetlands Center, will be on sabbatical through October and has asked permission to send an alternate representative during that time. The Advisory Committee and staff request permission to accommodate this request. **(Action)**

- C. Expanded Rental of the High School Natatorium: Mr. Todd Roth
Based upon the Board letter to SCASD, discussions have been underway with School Administrators regarding the summer schedule, since Welch Pool will be closed due to construction. A general schedule was finalized on 2 Dec 09. Mr. Todd Roth will update the Board on the opportunities / costs that this cooperation will provide. No Board action is required. **(Attachment #9)**
- D. Welch Pool Construction: Mr. Woodhead
Staff recommends that the Authority authorize a supplemental agreement with HP Architects to provide expanded site inspections during the construction period for an amount not to exceed \$7,000 and paid from the Project Contingency Fund. These services will be in addition to (1) the originally-contracted consultant services, (2) the daily oversight provided by CRPR staff and is in lieu of hiring an in-house Project Manager for the 11-month project. **(Attachment #10) (Action)**
- E. Proposed Revisions to the CRPR Fee Policy for 2010: Mr. Woodhead
Following up on the information provided in November, the proposed 2010 Fee Policy includes a number of fee increases in response to increased agency costs. Authority approval will permit those fees to be published in the Winter/Spring 2010 Leisure Guide and on the CRPR website. **(Attachment #11) (Action)**

IX. ADJOURNMENT

(Action)

Future Meeting Schedule:

COG Parks Capital Committee: Thursday, 17 Dec 09

CRPR /CRRA Board Meeting: Thursday, 14 Jan 10.

Regional Parks Planning Committee: (to be scheduled)

Attachments:

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| 1. Special Meeting Minutes | 7. SCEB Project Schedule |
| 2. Regular Meeting Minutes | 8. Gardener Committee Outline |
| 3. Nov. Voucher Report | 9. HS Natatorium Schedule |
| 4. Nov. Activity Report | 10. HPA Supplemental Agreement (for Site Inspections) |
| 5. 2009 MMNC Program Report | 11. Proposed 2010 Fee Policy |
| 6. CRPR ActiveNews Webpage | |

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