



Centre Region Council of Governments

CENTRE REGION PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD CENTRE REGIONAL RECREATION AUTHORITY

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Regular Meeting Agenda for Thursday, 13 Aug 09, 12:15 PM at the 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. |

NOTE: Ms. Matason will be out of town.

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

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- from the Regular Meeting on 9 Jul 09 (Attachment # 1) (Action)

IV. ACTION ON VOUCHERS

- from July (Attachment # 2) (Action)

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

• Member & Municipal Committee Updates:

Ferguson Twp. - Ms. Mascolo presented an update to the Board of Supervisors
State College Borough - Ms. Conway is scheduled to report to Borough Council on 17 Aug.
College Twp.
Patton Twp.
Harris Twp.
SCASD

• Millbrook Marsh Nature Center Advisory Committee: Ms. Hetrick

The committee did not meet during July.

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

The committee met on 16 Jul 09 to (1) discuss the comments from each municipality regarding the Oak Hall Master Site Plan, (2) to approve the recommendation to engage Pashek Associates for the Whitehall Road Master Site Plan, (3) to be updated on the Welch Pool status, and (4) continue to discuss funding options for the regional park developments.

• Regional Park Planning Committee: Ms. Mascolo and Mr. Woodhead

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

The Planning Committee met on 13 Jul 09 to interview the four firms selected for interviews. The COG General Forum officially approved Pashek Associates on 27 Jul 09. The firm will kick off the planning process with a committee meeting scheduled for Monday, 14 Sep 09, 12:15-2PM at the COG Building Forum Room.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

• Director's Reports

- Staff Activity Report for July (Attachment # 3)
- Summer 2009 Staff Guide (Attachment # 4)
- 2010 Major Projects Schedule & Report (Attachment # 5)
Mr. Greg Roth
- 2008-2009 Senior Center Statistics / 2010 Funding Formula
Ms. Barbara Lindenbaum (Attachment # 6)
- 2010 Program Plan (CD-ROMs included in packet)
The 2010 Detailed Budget Proposal is now under development by staff.

• Supervisor Highlights:

Ms. Beth Lee	Ms. Molly Hetrick	Mr. Jeff Hall
Ms. Barbara Lindenbaum	Mr. Greg Roth	Mr. Todd Roth

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

- Letter re: Circleville Park Status Report (Attachment # 7)
- Letter re: Municipal Park Ordinances (Attachment # 8)

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. 2008 AUDITOR'S REPORT for Centre Regional Recreation Authority

The 2008 Auditor's Report for the Authority was distributed in July. Ms. Conway has reviewed the report in detail and will relay her comments. Pending any questions from the Board, a motion to receive the report is requested. (Action)

B. CENTRAL WESTMORELAND COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Each year the Authority is asked to re-authorize a membership in the Central Westmoreland COG to allow our participation in their Vehicle and Equipment Purchasing Program. This program provides another option for purchases, depending on the various other cooperative purchasing contracts available to us. Although the membership is named c/o the Authority, the annual membership fee of \$175 will be shared by four Centre Region COG agencies. The Authority is asked to approve **Resolution # 4-2009** to formally renew that membership. (Attachment # 9)

IX. PROJECT UPDATES

A. PARK FOREST POOL RENEWAL: Mr. Woodhead

1. All contractors are continuing work on the final punchlist of jobs on the site. Jobs were added to that list since the facility opened.
2. The spraypad concrete was not poured to the specified elevations during construction, which permits drainage onto the adjoining deck and grass areas. The swimming pool contractor has installed a temporary solution; the parties are now finalizing an acceptable long-term solution (for after Labor Day).
3. Discussions on dealing with the excessive flow of stormwater from off-site continues with SCASD and Patton Township.
4. The current project budget projects a remaining balance of \$6,430.86 under the \$3.2 million authorized cost ceiling.
5. It is noted that \$1,450,300 has been drawn from the \$7.9m loan fund.

B. WELCH POOL RENEWAL: Mr. Woodhead

1. MASTER SITE PLAN: The Master Site Plan Report has been provided to PA DCNR for comment / approval. After their approval, the \$33,000 grant reimbursement may be requested.
2. PROJECT PLANNING STATUS: Mr. Woodhead and/or Mr. Popovich will update the Board on the status of the Welch Pool Renewal:
 - Development of the “Bikepath Woodlot Sustainability Plan” as required by SC Borough. That plan is being prepared under the guidance of Dr. Jim Finley, Professor of Forest Resources at Penn State.
 - Plan reviews by (1) Centre Region Code Agency and (2) PA DCNR.
 - Discuss the detailed plans and current cost estimate (with a \$5.4m cost ceiling).
 - Discuss the bidding and construction schedule.

C. MILLBROOK MARSH NATURE CENTER - Spring Creek Education Building

Based upon the estimated costs and Capital Campaign, it appears that this project is only feasible if the Recreation Authority is successful with the earlier grant application for \$500,000 to the PA. Energy Development Authority (PEDA). That PEDA Board is scheduled to meet on Monday, 10 Aug 09 to finalize the awards statewide. Staff has learned that over 400 applications were submitted and approximately 40 awards will be made (but we remain optimistic).

X. ADJOURNMENT

(Action)

Future Meeting Schedules

- Next COG Parks Capital Committee Regular Meeting (*CRRA will be represented by Ms. Matason*)
Th, 20 Aug 09, 12:15 PM, COG Building, Forum Room
- Next CRPR Board Regular Meeting:
Th, 10 Sep 09, 12:15 PM, Millbrook Marsh Nature Center
- A **Special Meeting** of the Authority may also be held to act on the Welch Pool Renewal Bids if required by the project schedule.
- Next Regional Park Planning Committee Meeting c/o Pashek Associates:
Mo, 14 Sep 09, 12:15-2PM, COG Building, Forum Room

The Fall 2009 CRPR Leisure Guide will be published on Sunday, 30 Aug 09.

Attachments:

1. 9 Jul 09 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. July Voucher Report
3. July Activity Report
4. Summer Staff Guide
5. Parks Mtn. Major Project Schedule & Status
6. Senior Center Statistics Report / 2010 Funding Shares
7. Circleville Park Status Report
8. Municipal Park Ordinance Letter
9. Resolution to renew CW-COG membership
- CD-ROM with a PDF file of the 2010 COG Program Plan (also posted at www.crcog.net)

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