

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT

104 United Drive, Collinsville, Illinois

Monday, April 14, 2008

I. Call to Order President Pro Tem Jerry Kane called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II Attendance Roll call

Present were: Harold Byers, Madison County
Jerry Kane, Madison County
Gene Peters, Madison County
Paul Evans, St. Clair County
Pamela Hogan, St. Clair County

Mike Buehlhorn, Executive Director
Rene' St. Peters, Administrative Assistant
Bryan Werner, Planner
Anna Heavner, Grant Coordinator

Bill Baudendistel, Juneau Associates
Paul Homann, TWM, Inc.
Ed Szewczyk, Attorney in at 7:08 p.m.

Absent were: Earl McDowell, St. Clair County

III. Approval of Minutes

a) Director Peters made a motion, seconded by Director Evans to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2008 regular meeting as presented.

Voice call vote

5 Ayes No Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried

IV. Consent Agenda

a-d) Director Hogan made a motion, seconded by Director Peters to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye
Jerry Kane	Aye	Pam Hogan	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Earl McDowell	Absent

5 Ayes No Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried

V. Finance

a) Director Peters made a motion, seconded by Director Byers to approve the payments and claims for March 2008 MEPRD as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye
Jerry Kane	Aye	Pam Hogan	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Earl McDowell	Absent

5 Ayes No Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried

b) Director Peters made a motion, seconded by Director Hogan to approve the payments and claims for March 2008 MMMP as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye
Jerry Kane	Aye	Pam Hogan	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Earl McDowell	Absent

5 Ayes No Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried

c) Director Peters made a motion, seconded by Director Evans to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to transfer \$200,000.00 from the Illinois Funds checking account to the Bank of Edwardsville money market checking account for District business purposes.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye
Jerry Kane	Aye	Pam Hogan	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Earl McDowell	Absent

5 Ayes No Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried

Director Evans made a motion, seconded by Director Peters to approve the transfer of \$50,000.00 from the Illinois Funds checking account to the Bank of Edwardsville money market checking account for MMMP operational purposes.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye
Jerry Kane	Aye	Pam Hogan	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Earl McDowell	Absent

5 Ayes No Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried

VI. Executive Director's Staff Report

Report accepted as presented.

VII. Old Business

a) IDNR Bikeway Applications

Executive Director Buehlhorn informed the Board that due to issues with the easements the MEPRD would be withdrawing its application with IDNR for the Malcolm Martin Memorial Trail. Confirmation has been received that the application has officially been withdrawn.

VIII. New Business

a) Resolution 08-09 Re: ITEP Application

Director Evans made a motion, seconded by Director Peters to approve Resolution 08-09 as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye
Jerry Kane	Aye	Pam Hogan	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Earl McDowell	Absent

5 Ayes No Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried

b) Resolution 08-10 Re: Gateway Center Donation Agreement 3

Director Evans made a motion, seconded by Director Peters to approve Resolution 08-10 as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye
Jerry Kane	Aye	Pam Hogan	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Earl McDowell	Absent

5 Ayes No Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried

c) Audit Contract from Allison, Knapp & Siekmann.

Director Byers made a motion, seconded by Director Evans to accept the audit contract with Allison, Knapp & Siekmann not to exceed \$4,400.00 for FY 2008 audit services.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye
Jerry Kane	Aye	Pam Hogan	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Earl McDowell	Absent

5 Ayes No Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried

d) Participation Requests – Belleville, Wood River and Great Rivers Greenway

Director Peters made a motion, seconded by Director Hogan to accept participation requests for the summer of 2008: Tour de Belleville \$2,500.00, Woodriver Park District \$2,500.00 and Great Rivers Greenway for the opening event of the McKinley Bridge Bikeway not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Roll Call Vote

Harold Byers	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye
Jerry Kane	Aye	Pam Hogan	Aye
Gene Peters	Aye	Earl McDowell	Absent

5 Ayes No Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried

e) Report of District Engineers on Projects

Bill Baudendistel has met with Ameren regarding issues with our McKinley Bridge Connector Trail easement and the security system that Ameren has in place along the proposed alignment.

Paul Homann is working on the issues with our sanitary systems at the Malcolm Martin Memorial Park and currently looking into a new route.

IX. Public Discussion and/or Comment

Executive Director invited the Board Members to attend two events. Focus St. Louis Event to be held on May 7, 2008 and a Dedication to be held on June 7, 2008.

X. Adjournment

At 7:34 p.m. President Pro Tem Jerry Kane asked to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Director Evans second by Director Peters to adjourn. 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 Monday May 12, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.