

**METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT**  
104 United Drive, Collinsville, Illinois  
**Monday, June 9, 2008**

**I. Call to Order** President Earl McDowell 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
Earl McDowell, St. Clair County
Mike Buehlhorn, Executive Director
Bryan Werner, Planner
Rene' St. Peters, Administrative Assistant
Anna Heavner, Grant Coordinator
Bill Baudendistel, Juneau Associates
Paul Homann, TWM, Inc.
Ed Szewczyk, Attorney in at 7:07 p.m.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

**a) Director Peters made a motion, seconded by Director Hogan to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2008 regular meeting as presented.**

Voice call vote

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**IV. Consent Agenda**

**Director Hogan made a motion, seconded by Director Evans to approve the consent agenda items a thru d as presented pages 4-26.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**V. Finance**

**a) Director Peters made a motion, seconded by Director Kane to approve the payments and claims for May 2008 MEPRD on pages 27-35 as presented, excluding checks for Eagle Points to Juneau.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**b) Director Hogan made a motion, seconded by Director Kane to approve the payments and claims for May 2008 MMMP as presented on pages 36-39.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**c) Director Peters made a motion, seconded by Director Evans to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to transfer \$500,000.00 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	Aye

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**Director Evans made a motion, seconded by Director Byers 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	Aye

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**VI. Executive Director's Staff Report**

Report accepted as presented.

**VII. Old Business**

No old business to discuss.

**VIII. New Business**

**a) FY 2009 Budgets**

**Director Evans made a motion, seconded by Director Byers to approve FY 09 MEPRD Operating budget on page 46 and separate Capital Budget for FY 09 for separate review and approval.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**Director Byers made a motion, seconded by Director Hogan to approve FY 09 Malcolm W. Martin Memorial Park operating budget as presented.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

Capital Budgets discussed separately

**b) Schedule of 2009 Meeting dates.**

**Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director Peters to move MEPRD scheduled board meetings from the second Monday of each month to the second Tuesday of each month.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**d) Report of District Engineers on Projects**

Paul Homan discussed the testing of the lighting at the fountain.

Bill Baudendistel explained that the Halverson section on the overlook is about 80% done and that the OSLAD grant is finally going.

**IX. Public Discussion and/or Comment**

No public discussion and/or comment.

**X. Executive Session**

**At 7:55 p.m. Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director Byers to exit open session and enter into executive session to discuss the acquisition of Property pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) and Personnel Issues pursuant to 5 ILCS 20 120/2(c)(1).**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

At 7:56 p.m. Rene' St. Peters, Anna Heaver, Paul Homann and Bill Baudendistel left the meeting.

**At 8:44 back into regular session.**

**c) Resolution 08-13 Re: OSLAD Participation**

**Director Evans made a motion, seconded by Director Hogan approve Resolution 08-13 which is a resolution in support for submitting an application to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for the Open Space Land Acquisition development.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**Director Byers made a motion, seconded by Director Peters to give all employees a 3% increase.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director Hogan authorizing the Executive Director to institute a section 125 Cafeteria plan for staff.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes No Nays No Absent Motion Carried

**X. Adjournment**

**At 9:00 p.m. President Earl McDowell asked to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Director Peters second by Director Evans 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 Tuesday July 8, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.**