



Centre Region Council of Governments  
**CENTRE REGION PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**  
**CENTRE REGIONAL RECREATION AUTHORITY**

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*Serving the Borough of State College and the Townships of College, Ferguson, Harris and Patton*

**Joint Meeting Agenda**  
With the COG Parks Capital Committee  
Thursday, 20 Sep 2012, 12:15 PM, COG Building - Forum Room

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**CRPR Board/ Centre Regional Recreation Authority**

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| • Sue Mascolo, Chair, Township of Ferguson         | • Donna L. Conway, Treasurer, Borough of State College |
| • Roy F. Harpster, Vice-Chair, Township of Harris  | • Donna M. Ricketts, D.Ed., SCASD                      |
| • Kathy D. Matason, Secretary, Township of College | • Chris M. Hurley, Township of Patton                  |

**Members of the COG Parks Capital Committee**

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| • Dan Klees, Chair, College Township Council       | • Jeff Luck, Patton Township Supervisor      |
| • Cliff Warner, Vice-Chair, Harris Twp. Supervisor | • Dick Mascolo, Ferguson Township Supervisor |
| • Tom Daubert, State College Borough Council       | • Dan Sieminski, Penn State University       |

**NOTE:** Other than providing the informational documents (below), the regular monthly meeting agenda items will be postponed to provide time for the primary agenda topic: Mr. Jim Pashek will lead the discussions on bid options for the Oak Hall Regional Park Phase 1 Development.

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

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** *(Attachment # 1)* **(ACTION)**

The draft minutes from the Regular Meeting on 16 Aug 2012 are enclosed.

**IV. INFORMATIONAL DOCUMENTS**

**Discussion and action is postponed until the October meeting.**

**A. Agency Activity Report:** August 2012 *(Attachment # 2)*

**B. Child Safety Policy Update** *(Attachment # 3)*

Staff has prepared an updated policy that will be proposed for action at the October Board meeting. The policy updates, coordinated by Ms. Tourscher, expand the staff training and awareness requirements for both seasonal and year-round staff.

**C. Summer Program Report**

The full report will be presented at the October meeting. As a preview, the following statistics from the two pools were provided by the Aquatics Supervisor:

- Hosted 139,828 total visits over the 101-day season (includes swim team & lessons),
  - Sold 5,092 season passes,
  - Provided swim lessons to 410 youth,
  - Hosted 393 youth in the two CRPR Summer Swim Teams,
  - Hosted 21 private pool rentals and 42 pavilion/funbrella reservations,
  - Hosted over 1,600 people for the Family Fun Nights (including the new Dive-in Movie).
- By comparison, in 2006 and 2007 the two old pools jointly hosted about 50,000 visits and sold about 1,600 season passes each summer.

**D. Suggestions for 2013 Pool Policies** *(Attachment # 4)*  
Staff has prepared the attached memo to relay patron suggestions and staff recommendations for the 2013 Pool Operations. Board discussion and action will be scheduled for the Oct. meeting.

**E. Batting Cage Proposal** *(Attachment #5)*  
Per the attached email, Mr. Andrew Biddle has tabled his proposal to construct and operate Softball Batting Cages at the Hess Field Complex.

**F. 2013 Agency Budget Proposals** *(Attachment #6)*  
The attached booklet is the 2013 Detailed Budget Proposal for all agency funds. While some final details must still be added to these documents (before the Friday, 21 Sept 2012 distribution to the COG Finance Committee), the figures are reasonably close to the final submission. Additional updates will be provided to Board members with regard to the final submittal. The annual budget hearing for the agency with the COG Finance Committee has been scheduled for Thursday, 4 Oct 2012, 8:30 AM in the COG Forum Room.

**G. Refinancing the 2008 Pool Renewal Loan (for \$6,067,000.)** *(Attachment #7)*  
Based on refinancing quotes and bond rate comparisons obtained by Concord Public Finance, the COG Finance Committee has proposed that the remaining debt for the Pool Renewal Loans be refinanced at a lower interest rate for the original term (through 2028). The proposal with the greatest net savings was submitted by Jersey Shore State Bank; this bank also holds the current loan. It is expected that the savings will total \$40,000 annually (= \$518,442 over the term of the loan). Accordingly, the Authority has authorized a **Special Meeting** (to coincide with the COG General Forum Meeting) on Monday, 24 Sep 2012, 7:30 PM at the Patton Twp. Building. The coordinated meetings are necessary to adopt and execute the loan / guarantee documents.

**V. ACTION ITEM** *(Primary Meeting Topic)*

**Oak Hall Phase 1 Development - Discussion of Bid Options** **(ACTION)**

Mr. Jim Pashek, Principal at Pashek Associates, will lead a discussion of the available options with respect to the sealed bids submitted on Tuesday, 11 Sept 2012 for the Phase 1 Development at Oak Hall Regional Park. The goal will be for the Authority and Committee to come to a consensus on options will permit the project to provide the desired facilities within the approved Project Budget. The options will be based upon those presented at the joint meeting on Thursday, 13 Sept 2012.

Regional Park Phase 1 Development Project Budgets:

Oak Hall Reg. Park \$3,654,000. Whitehall Road Reg. Park \$5,546,000. w/ grant

Actions may be recommended to confirm those options selected.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT** **(ACTION)**

**Future Meeting Schedules**

- **CRRA Board:** Special Meeting - Mon., 24 Sept 2012, 7:30 PM, Patton Twp. Bldg.
- **Joint Meeting:** CRRA & COG Parks Capital Comm. - Thur., 11 Oct 2012, 12:15 PM, COG Forum Rm.
- **CRRA Board:** Regular Meeting - Thur., 18 Oct 2012, 12:15 PM, COG Forum Room

**Attachments (for the Authority Board)**

1. August Meeting Summary
2. August Activity Report
3. Proposed Updates to the CRPR Child Safety Policy
4. Proposed 2013 Pool Policies
5. Batting Cage Email (to table)
6. 2013 CRPR Budget Proposals (as of 17 Sept 2012)
7. Pool Loan Refinancing Proposal