

Call to Order: Supervisor Collin Walls called the September 8, 2005 Special Meeting of the Springfield Township Board and the Springfield Township Park Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI 48350.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present

Collin W. Walls	Township Supervisor
Nancy Strole	Township Clerk
Dennis Vallad	Township Trustee
David Hopper	Township Trustee
Roger Lamont	Township Trustee
Marc Cooper	Township Trustee

Board Members Not Present:

Jamie Dubre	Township Treasurer
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Others Present

Dot LaLone
Jean Vallad
Ron Hudson
Kelly Hyer
Rich Parke

New Business:

1. Shiawassee Basin Preserve Multi Use Building

Mrs. LaLone noted that the Park Commission sharpened pencils and the bids show that there were a wide variety of numbers proposed. She believes McQuillan Construction has done an excellent job of finding contractors willing to work with the Park Commission. They repackaged the numbers and she believes the Park Commission did what the Township Board asked of them at the last meeting.

Supervisor Walls asked what the difference is between the bids presented and the bid specs that went out to bid? Mrs. LaLone said the bid sheet from McQuillan of \$161,000 is different from the original bid sheet of \$196,000. Mrs. LaLone said the painting and the garage door, windows and finish hardware will change and be lower, as they have been rebid to Detroit Door. As of tonight, Mrs. LaLone said the total cost is \$161,162.00.

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Clerk Strole asked the Park Commission how much money they have into this project already? The Park Commission determined they have approximately \$9,000 into this project now.

Supervisor Walls said his memory is that this facility was originally going to cost approximately \$90,000. Trustees Lamont and Hopper agreed that is what the figure was presented as last year. Mrs. Vallad said at one point they were talking about just building a restroom, then they decided to make as much use of the size as possible and they added the maintenance storage and concession areas which added to the cost of the building. Supervisor Walls said everyone seems to agree there would be a restroom facility built and since then it has become much more. Mr. Parke said the 2005 Parks and Recreation approved budget includes \$120,000 for this building.

Trustee Vallad said the biggest changes seem to be the addition of the well, an underestimation of what water would cost, three phase electrical as opposed to single phase electrical, and a construction manager.

Trustee Cooper asked how soon the Park Commission anticipated using the concession and if they anticipated it to be an income producer? Mrs. LaLone said they hoped to use it next summer and they expected it to increase revenues for the Parks. Trustee Cooper said there are many ways to cut costs such as doing this in phases, painting it themselves and doing their own landscaping. Mr. Parke said they don't want to do it in phases because they may not have the money to complete it in the future and then it may never get done.

Supervisor Walls said it is not economical, in his opinion, to put \$170,000 into a restroom facility nor logical just when they are asking all of the staff to not even consider any type of salary raises. Trustee Lamont said he would concur with Supervisor Walls.

Mr. Parke said if they downscale the building and eliminate the concession portion and storage portion, the price will still not drop significantly and it will not come back down to \$90,000.

- **Supervisor Walls moved that the decision on the construction of the restroom/multi-use building at Shiawassee be deferred by the Township Board and request that the Park Commission relook at the facility specs, the power specs and include this facility within their revised 2006 budget with the goal of getting the cost more in line with previous commitments by the Township Board and current financial conditions. Trustee Cooper supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Lamont, Cooper and Vallad; No: Strole and Hopper; Absent: Dubre. The motion carried by a 4 to 2 vote.**

Supervisor Walls asked to add the Parks Commission 2005 Budget Amendment to the Regular Meeting Agenda. The Board unanimously agreed.

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Adjournment:

Hearing no other business, Supervisor Walls adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Collin W. Walls, Township Supervisor

Nancy Strole, Township Clerk