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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 3, 2018

4:45 PM

Conference Room I

Committee on Parks

John Palmiere, Chair;

*Patrick Catena, Nick Futules, Cindy Kirk, Bob Macey, Sue Means and Anita Prizio,
Members.*

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:53.

Invited Guests:

William D. McKain, CPA, Allegheny County Manager or designee(s)
Andy Baechle, Director, Allegheny County Parks Department

Mr. McKain was present from the Office of the County Manager.

Mr. Baechle was present from the Parks Department.

Mr. Evanto and Ms. Gittlen were present from Administrative Services.

Mr. Barker was present from the Office of County Council.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: 4 - Cindy Kirk, Sue Means, Anita Prizio and John Palmiere

Members Absent: 2 - Patrick Catena and Bob Macey

Members Phone: 1 - Nick Futules

Members 3 - Sam DeMarco, DeWitt Walton and Tom Baker

Non-Members:

III. Approval of Minutes

[10785-18](#)

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 29, 2018 meeting of the Committee on Parks.

A motion was made by Prizio, seconded by Kirk, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

IV. Agenda Items

Ordinances

[10755-18](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing use of property in the County's South Park for use by the South Hills Senior Softball League.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

At the request of the Chair, the clerk read the title of the bill and Mr. Baechle summarized its provisions, noting that the rental is \$200 per year and includes preferential scheduling for Texas Field in South Park, and that players from 10 south hills municipalities participate in the league.

In response to questions from Ms. Means, Mr. Baechle noted that the ordinance does not specify which field is used because on occasion other fields are used, and indicated that the rental rate is the lowest charged for these types of arrangements. Mr. McKain offered to research the number of teams and players participating.

In response to a question from Ms. Kirk, Md. Baechle noted that the league does not generally assist the County in maintaining the fields that it uses.

A motion was made by Means, seconded by Kirk, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[10783-18](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing Cinatit LLC to use certain County-owned real and personal property in connection with filming a motion picture.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

At the request of the Chair, the clerk read the title of the bill and Mr. Evanto summarized its provisions, noting that some preliminary shooting for this same picture took place in Settlers Cabin Park last summer, and that the pre-production, filming, and post-production will all be taking place within Allegheny County. Mr. Evanto indicated that the subject matter of the film is the U.S. Senate inquiry that took place after the sinking of the RMS Titanic, and summarized the locations that would be involved in the filming. Mr. Evanto noted that the production company would reimburse the County for any out of pocket expenses associated with the filming, and would pay all rental fees and the standard \$1,000 filming fee when filming is taking place in a County park.

In response to a question from the Chair, Mr. Evanto summarized the tentative filming schedule and Mr. McKain thanked the Council for its willingness to remain flexible in the event that weather or other unanticipated factors impact production.

In response to a question from Ms. Means, Mr. McKain noted that there is no base fee for filming in the Courthouse, although out of pocket expenses would still be reimbursed.

Ms. Kirk expressed support for the proposal.

A motion was made by Means, seconded by Kirk, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:06.