

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE COMMISSIONERS AND OFFICERS
OF THE PROSPECT HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT
GARY MORAVA RECREATION CENTER
110 W. CAMP MCDONALD ROAD, PROSPECT HEIGHTS, IL 60070
TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2022**

Call to Order

Roll Call

Commissioner Jones called the Regular Board Meeting of the Prospect Heights Park District to order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners present:

Ellen Avery (electronically)

Betty Cloud

Paul Fries

Karl Jackson

Tim Jones

Eric Kirste

Steve Messer

Also Present:

Christina Ferraro – Executive Director

Shawn Hughes – Superintendent of Finance, HR & IT

Ray Doerner - Superintendent of Recreation

Dino Squiers – Superintendent of Facilities & Parks

Edlyn Castil – Admin Services Manager/Recording Secretary

Commissioners absent:

None

A quorum was present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tim Jones.

A motion was made by Commissioner Messer and seconded by Commissioner Fries to allow Commissioner Avery to attend the July 26, 2022 Regular Board Meeting of the Commissioners and Officers of the Prospect Heights Park District electronically. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote. The motion carried.

Corrections/Additions/Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Jackson and seconded by Commissioner Cloud to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote. The motion carried.

Correspondence

There was none.

Recognition/Welcome

Resident Travis Hoying, Bob Lewis, Senior Vice President, Managing Director, PMA Securities, LLC and Frank Parisi, Managing Principal, Vice-President, Williams Architects were in attendance.

Presentation

Frank Parisi, Managing Principal, Vice-President, Williams Architects

Frank presented to the Board the community outreach findings. There was discussion about the next steps which include Board action (Agenda Item XI. C.) and continued community outreach. Commissioners discussed possible relocation of the tennis/pickleball courts at Lions Park, OCCC's driving range need/usage and mitigating the water issue beneath the current location of the Lions Park tennis/pickleball courts.

Presentation (continued)**Bob Lewis, Senior Vice President, Managing Director, PMA Securities, LLC**

Bob presented a detailed referendum analysis. In his presentation he reviewed the debt overview (financing objectives, \$30 million referendum scenario, taxpayer impact summary and taxpayer calculator example) and the legal debt margin.

Public Comment

There were none.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Kirste and seconded by Commissioner Cloud to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. The motion was approved by a roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Avery, Cloud, Fries, Jones, Kirste, Messer

Nays: None

Abstain: Commissioner Jackson

Absent: None

The motion carried.

Announcements (Meetings)

The next regular Board Meeting will be held on August 23, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at Gary Morava Recreation Center.

Attorney's Report

None

Administrative/Operational Summary

Executive Director – as submitted. Executive Director Christina Ferraro reported that the park district was awarded an OSLAD grant for East Wedgewood Park. Construction anticipated to start next year. She reported that ComEd installed two beehives behind Country Gardens Park near the “ComEd Prairie”. This is part of ComEd’s initiative to host hives below their transmission lines to raise awareness about the urgent need to promote pollinator populations and their contributions to the ecosystem. There was discussion about scheduling a parks tour.

Superintendent of Finance, HR and IT – as submitted. Superintendent of Finance, HR & IT Shawn Hughes reported that she is monitoring the cash flow.

Superintendent of Recreation – as submitted. Superintendent of Recreation Ray Doerner thanked everyone who joined the park district in the Independence Day Parade. The new Fall Program Guide will be posted online in the next week and mailed to park district residents in the next couple weeks. Summer camp is going well with only three more weeks left.

The board thanked the summer staff for their service to the park district and participants.

Superintendent of Facilities and Parks – as submitted. Superintendent of Facilities and Parks Dino Squiers reported the tennis/pickleball courts project is complete.

Director of Golf Operations – as submitted.

Recreation Supervisors – as submitted.

Unfinished/Ongoing Business**Acceptance of the FY2021 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report**

A motion was made by Commissioner Cloud and seconded by Commissioner Messer to accept the FY2021 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as submitted. The motion was approved by a roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Avery, Cloud, Fries, Jackson, Jones, Kirste, Messer

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

The motion carried.

Acceptance of the Tree Management Plan

A motion was made by Commissioner Kirste and seconded by Commissioner Fires to accept the Tree Management Plan as submitted. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote. The motion carried.

Resolution providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition to issue \$30,000,000 general obligation park bonds to the voters of the District at the general election to be held on the 8th day of November, 2022.

A motion was made by Commissioner Messer and seconded by Commissioner Cloud to adopt a Resolution providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition to issue \$30,000,000 general obligation park bonds to the voters of the District at the general election to be held on the 8th day of November, 2022. The motion was approved by a roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Avery, Cloud, Fries, Jackson, Jones, Kirste, Messer

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

The motion carried.

New Business

There was none.

Committees of the Board

No reports.

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No reports.

Commissioners Comments

There were none.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Commissioner Cloud and seconded by Commissioner Kirste to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 8:13 p.m. The motion was approved by a voice vote. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edlyn Castil, Administrative Services Manager/Recording Secretary

Secretary: _____

Elizabeth "Betty" Cloud, Prospect Heights Park District