

**THE LISLE PARK DISTRICT
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING
November 15, 2018**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: President Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Lisle Park District Recreation Multipurpose Room, 1925 Ohio Street, Lisle, IL 60532.

Director Garvy Called Roll:

Commissioners Present:

Altpeter
Cook
Ferron
Olson
Richter

Also Present:

Director	Garvy
Superintendent of Recreation	Pratscher
Superintendent of Parks	Cerutti
Superintendent of Finance	Silver
Superintendent of Restaurant & Golf	Shamberg
Superintendent of Marketing & Fund Development	Leone
Program, Rental & Office Manager	Nadeau
Museum Curator	Gibson
Visitor Experience Coordinator	Peterman
Recreation and Fitness Manager	Jayne
Parks Specialist	Hazzard

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Cook led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PRESENTATIONS

A. Unlimited Play – Community Park Playground Project Assistance

Director Garvy introduced Ms. Natalie Blakemore and Mr. Jim Vollmer from Unlimited Play and Mr. Paul Gozder from Parkreation, the District's playground manufacturer representative. Ms. Blakemore and Mr. Vollmer presented on their approach to assisting in the design, promotion and fundraising plan for the District's intent to build an all-inclusive playground in Community Park. They shared a video and pictures that showed an all-inclusive, successful and progressive environment for play. Commissioner Altpeter asked how many projects they've been involved with, to which Ms. Blakemore responded 23 in six different states. Commissioner Ferron asked for one in close proximity, to which Mr. Vollmer replied they assisted with the recently opened Oak Brook Park District playground. President Cook asked about their design process. Mr. Vollmer stated they follow set standards to make each playground all-inclusive, but designs can vary. Ms. Blakemore stated the playgrounds usually have lots of shade, vertical play elements and a lot of ramping, a music sensory component, zip-lines, climbing elements, and the area must be fenced in order to provide a level of safety for parents with children with autism or other disabilities that may cause them to run away. Commissioner Ferron asked about their fundraising assistance. Ms. Blakemore explained Unlimited Play develops a marketing plan and helps secure sponsorships. President Cook asked if their design does

in fact provide opportunities for everyone, to which Ms. Blakemore replied yes, whether for a 30 year old with Downs Syndrome, adults with physical disabilities, and anyone else. She said their approach provides for a very broad range of users. Commissioner Olson asked if they can ballpark about how much of a project they've been able to fundraise. Mr. Vollmer replied it's hard to say but usually as much as a third of the cost, depending on the timeline. Mr. Vollmer showed a few slides of previous marketing plans and how they specifically fundraise. Resident and Lisle Partners for Parks board member Vince Solano asked about what kind of surfacing is preferred, to which Mr. Paul Gozder from Parkreation replied either poured in place rubber or rubber tiles. He further explained that some agencies only use these materials under high wear areas to help control costs. Superintendent Cerutti explained the district has used poured in place rubber and aside from areas at the pool where this material was exposed to the chlorinated water, it has held up very well. President Cook thanked the group for their presentation.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Director Garvy presented President Cook with a plaque from the Illinois Association of Park Districts for 20 years of service as Park Commissioner.

V. APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

Commissioner Altpeter moved to approve the meeting agenda for the regular meeting for Thursday, November 15, 2018. Commissioner Richter seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Altpeter moved to approve consent agenda items A, B, C, and D.

- A. Approve the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of October 18, 2018.
- B. Approve the November 15, 2018 Voucher List in the amount of \$329,670.38.
- C. Approve 2019 Regular Meeting Dates of the Board of Park Commissioners.
- D. Approve the reservation of Thursday, July 11, 2019 to Sunday, July 15, 2019 for the Christmas in July Races in Community Park.

Commissioner Richter seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Altpeter, Richter, Olson, Ferron, Cook

Absent: None

Nays: None

Motion passed.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Illinois Association of Park Districts program and facility usage survey
President Cook also reported on newspaper clippings that he received for Sunday Fun Day at the Senior Center. He thanked the Senior Center staff for the event.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Budget Draft-Discussion

Superintendent Silver reviewed the changes to the budget with the Board. He explained the changes resulted in an increase of revenue over expenses of just over \$30,000. Commissioner Richter asked about the reduction in lifeguard wages and whether or not that will result in a reduction in the number of guards. Superintendent Pratscher

explained that in his experience he has been able to reduce allocations for lifeguards to account for facility closures due to inclement weather and assured the Board that there is no reduction in the number of guards on the pool deck.

Commissioner Olson asked about the downtown Lisle Marquette development impact fees and if there is any update on when the Park District should be receiving that \$324,000. Director Garvy explained that precedent has been the Park District receives impact fees from the Village immediately after they receive them from the developer, which have traditionally been due to the Village upon their issuance of a building permit. He explained that the arrangement the Village had made with Marquette was for them to pay their impact fees to the Village upon issuance of occupancy permits, not building permits. Garvy reported he had made an inquiry of the Village recently as to when the Park District was to receive payment since there are currently people living in the development. He reported Village Manager Ertmoed's response was that they will be releasing the payment upon project completion, not upon occupancy as it had previously been communicated. Garvy reported he was also told that Mayor Pecak is interested in reallocating that funding. He added that as a result of hearing that news, he had asked for a meeting between the Mayor, Village Manager Ertmoed, President Cook and himself, which was held recently.

Director Garvy explained there is an agreement in place between the Village of Lisle and Marquette that specifically calls out the Lisle Park District as the recipient of the agreed upon \$324,000 developer park donation, half of which is to be paid by Marquette with the other half being paid by the Village. Director Garvy reiterated this is specifically called out in the 2015 agreement and that the Park District has been planning on receiving that money and allocating it to the Community Park playground equipment replacement and expansion. Garvy explained the Village has \$162,000 in their current 2018-19 budget and that after he had reviewed Village meeting and workshop minutes throughout the Village's budget review from January through May, this allocation was never questioned and that he was taken aback by the Mayor's sudden interest in considering other uses for this previously agreed upon, committed and budgeted payment to the Lisle Park District. Commissioner Olson asked what impact fees are allowed to be used for and can they be used for improvement or maintenance or to retire debt. Director Garvy stated they are to be used to accommodate the impact the residents of a new development will bring and that a new or expanded feature in Community Park is an acceptable use. He said he was unsure of other uses such as retiring debt or paying back another fund for a previously constructed Village of Lisle project like Prairie Walk Pond, but reiterated this \$324,000 had been a commitment made and kept since 2015, is budgeted in their current budget with no vocalized concerns by any of the Village officials, yet it now appears to be in jeopardy.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Illinois Association of Park Districts Credentials Certificate

Commissioner Ferron moved to appoint Commissioner Altpeter as Delegate and President Cook as 1st Alternate for the Annual Meeting of the Illinois Association of Park Districts.

Commissioner Olson seconded the motion

There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Resolution 111518, a resolution determining funds estimated to be raised by taxation for the year 2018.

Commissioner Altpeter moved to approve Resolution 111518, a resolution determining funds estimated to be raised by taxation for the year 2018.

Commissioner Richter seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Altpeter, Richter, Olson, Ferron, Cook

Absent: None

Nays: None

C. Authorize staff to engage the services of Unlimited Play for assistance in the design, promotion, fundraising, construction supervision and volunteer coordination for the Community Park Playground in the amount of \$10,000.

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Commissioner Richter seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Altpeter, Richter, Olson, Ferron, Cook

Absent: None

Nays: None

X.STAFF REPORTS

A. Parks Department Vehicle & Equipment Storage facility

Director Garvy reported he has nothing to add to his written report but will address any questions. President Cook asked for clarification that what is being recommended is a facility with no heat or bathrooms. Director Garvy replied yes. Commissioner Altpeter reported she had a conversation with a superintendent from another park district that had recently constructed a cold storage facility and that he had said their main purpose was like Lisle's, to keep vehicles and equipment out of the elements and away from vandals. President Cook stated when he worked at the Arboretum they had a cold storage facility and it was very unpleasant to work in. Commissioner Ferron stated he didn't think any work would be performed in the new facility, to which Superintendent of Parks Cerutti replied he was correct. Commissioner Ferron asked if the new facility will free up space in the existing garage to perform equipment maintenance or other projects to which Superintendent Cerutti replied it would and he explained various projects that would benefit from extra space in the existing heated facility. President Cook apologized for pushing for added features but stated he just wants to be able to provide good working conditions for staff.

B. Arboretum Woods Park, Warrenville Road Bridge and Proposed Bicycle-Pedestrian Underpass

Director Garvy reported he and Superintendent Cerutti meet with Knight Engineering and DuPage County about this proposed underpass and future pathway connection. He reported he had also met with five different residents of the Arboretum Woods

subdivision about the proposed project and that all five are enthusiastically supportive, despite the temporary and permanent impact it will have on Arboretum Woods Park. He reported the County will be putting together a letter of request to the Park District explaining the project and the need for the additional right-of-way and compensatory storage. Commissioner Altpeter emphasized the need for assurances that the project on the right of way and in the park will be completed in a timely manner and to the Park District's standards and satisfaction. Director Garvy stated this will all be provided in a formal agreement between the parties and at this time he is unsure if it will be an intergovernmental agreement between the County and Park District or if it will be between the County, Park District and Village of Lisle, since the underpass is a Village of Lisle initiative and that they will be paying all associated costs. Commissioner Olson stated he's supportive of the project overall and even more so considering the enthusiasm of the park's neighbors. However he said considering the current state of the Marquette impact fees, he's not sure he has the same confidence in an IGA with the Village of Lisle as he does with DuPage County. Director Garvy stated the County is planning on starting and completing the project in 2020.

Regarding the Recreation Department report, President Cook stated the numbers look great from Fitness Week with 27 renewals and 7 new members.

XI. PARTNERS FOR PARKS REPORT

Superintendent Leone stated her foundation report is included in the Board Packet.

XII. SEASPAR REPORT

Director Garvy stated the SEASPAR report is included in the Board Packet.

XIII. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President, Commissioner Cook

President Cook reported he had met with Director Garvy, Village Manager Ertmoed and Mayor Pecak regarding the Marquette impact fees; he attended Monster Madness; the SEASPAR event with Congressman Peter Roskam; and the Veterans Day Observance Ceremony.

B. Treasurer, Financial Reports ending September 30, 2018

Superintendent Silver stated the District's investments are all collateralized or FDIC insured and the District is healthy and financially sound. He reported the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance will be on display for 30 days on-line and at the front desk. He stated the legal requirement is to only post the ordinance which really isn't very descriptive or give the public much detail so he will continue to post the draft budget as well.

C. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Richter reported he had attended the Veterans Day Observance Ceremony and Games & Grub at Museum, saying that was a great event that allowed him to casually walk around the complex and take in all the interesting exhibits and displays. Commissioner Altpeter asked if that event will be held again, to which Curator Gibson replied staff will be looking into variations of the event for next year.

Commissioner Olson reported he attended the Veterans Day Observance Ceremony and the SEASPAR event with Congressman Peter Roskam.

Commissioner Ferron stated attended the Monster Madness event and thought it was very well done.

XIV. ADJOURN OPEN MEETING

Commissioner Olson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. Commissioner Ferron Seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.