

**THE LISLE PARK DISTRICT
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REGULAR MEETING
May 16, 2019**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: President Cook called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Lisle Park District Recreation Multipurpose Room, 1925 Ohio Street, Lisle, IL 60532.

Director Garvy Called Roll:	Commissioners Present:	Altpeter Cook Olson Richter
	Commissioners Absent:	Ferron
	Also Present:	
	Director	Garvy
	Superintendent of Recreation	Pratscher
	Superintendent of Parks	Cerutti
	Superintendent of Finance	Silver
	Program, Rental & Office Manager	Nadeau
	Superintendent of Restaurant & Golf	Shamberg
	Superintendent of Marketing & Fund Development	Leone

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

III. Annual Meeting

President Cook appointed Commissioner Altpeter as Temporary Chair for the purpose of conducting the election of the President and Vice President of the Board of Park Commissioners.

Commissioner Richter moved to dissolve the present Slate of Officers of the Board of Park Commissioners. Commissioner Cook Seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Elect Park Board President

Commissioner Richter nominated Commissioner Don Cook for the office of President. Commissioner Olson Seconded.

Commissioner Richter moved to close the nominations for president. Commissioner Olson Seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Richter moved to elect Commissioner Cook as President. Commissioner Olson Seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Richter, Olson, Altpeter, Cook,

Absent: Ferron

Nays: None

Motion Passed.

Elect Park Board Vice-President

Commissioner Cook nominated Commissioner Dave Richter for the office of Vice-President. Commissioner Olson seconded.

Commissioner Cook moved to close the nominations for Vice-President. Commissioner Olson Seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Cook moved to elect Commissioner Richter as Vice- President. Commissioner Olson Seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Cook, Olson, Altpeter, Richter

Absent: Ferron

Nays: None

Motion Passed.

Presidential Appointment of Secretary

Commissioner Altpeter moved to appoint Director Garvy to the office of Park Board Secretary. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Appointment of Treasurer

Commissioner Richer moved to appoint Commissioner Altpeter to the office of Park Board Treasurer. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Presidential Appointment of SEASPAR Representative

Commissioner Altpeter moved to appoint Director Garvy as the Lisle Park District Representative to SEASPAR. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Presidential Appointment of Committee Chairs:

President Cook appoints Committee Chairs as follows:

Finance, Commissioner Altpeter

Building & Grounds, Commissioner Cook

Recreation & Golf, Commissioner Ferron

Personal & Technology, Commissioner Richter

Policies & Procedures, Commissioner Olson

Intergovernmental, Commissioner Richter

Commissioner Altpeter moved to appoint Committee Chairs as named by President Cook. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

IV. PRESENTATIONS

A. Community Park Universal Design Playground

Director Garvy provided a power point presentation on Discovery Playground, the proposed Community Park universal design playground. He explained the equipment selected and the benefits associated with the main components.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

VI. APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

Commissioner Altpeter moved to approve the meeting agenda for the regular meeting for Thursday, May 16, 2019. Commissioner Richter seconded the motion.

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

VII. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Altpeter moved to approve consent agenda items A & B with the following changes to the minutes. Section XII. SEASPAR report the word "lease" should be "please" and Section XIV. Adjourn Open Meeting should read Commissioner Olson moved to adjourn and Commissioner Ferron seconded.

- A. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of April 18, 2019.
- B. Approve May 16, 2019 Voucher List in the amount of \$263,896.81.

Commissioner Richter seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Altpeter, Richter, Olson, Cook

Absent: Ferron

Nays: None

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Illinois Association of Park District – Illinois Assessment of Parks and Conservation Funding and Economic Benefits

B. DuPage Election Commission – Lisle Park District Election Abstract
Commissioner Cook commented on the low voter turnout this election.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Award 2019 Tennis Court Maintenance and Repairs project to U.S. Tennis Court Construction in the amount of \$50,250.

Commissioner Altpeter moved to Award 2019 Tennis Court Maintenance and Repairs project to U.S. Tennis Court Construction in the amount of \$50,250. Commissioner Richter Seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Ayes: Altpeter, Richter, Ferron, Cook

Absent: Ferron

Nays: None

Abstain:

Motion Passed.

B. Award the Sea Lion Aquatic Park slide refinishing project to Baynum Painting Inc. in the amount of \$48,600.

Commissioner Altpeter moved to Award the Sea Lion Aquatic Park slide refinishing project to Baynum Painting Inc. in the amount of \$48,600. Commissioner Richter Seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Ayes: Altpeter, Richter, Ferron, Cook

Absent: Ferron

Nays: None

Abstain:

Motion Passed.

X.STAFF REPORTS

A. Chicago Goes Green Week

This pesticide free lawns and gardens event kicks off at Leask Lane Park on June 2, 2019.

B. Property Taxes

Superintendent Silver went over his memo in the board packet on property taxes and corrected inaccurate information posted on 3rd party public forums. Discussion ensued regarding the Park District's revenue needs moving forward. Director Garvy stated that while there are a couple people criticizing the Park District's spending, the fact of the matter is Park District services continue to be in high demand and that demand seems to be growing in certain areas. He reported currently there is a wait list of close to 20 families for Camp Summer Quest. He stated staff has accommodated as many individuals as current facilities can allow yet we are still unable to meet demand. He stated the only way to accommodate more is to expand the picnic shelter in Community Park. He said outdoor sheltered space to accommodate 128 campers and staff in one location, which would approach 150 individuals, has been maximized. He reported in staff's opinion, this is not a trend as the Recreation Department staff been able to secure more counsellors to grow the program from under 100 campers a few years ago to about 120 the last few years to 128 this year, with another 20 on the wait list for most weeks of the summer. He said there is certainly an unmet need with summer camp and the only way to accommodate is to invest money in facility expansion, which he feels critics don't want to hear. He said staff will be working on a report that he is confident will demonstrate a relatively quick return on investment in a capital improvement from the added revenue Camp Summer Quest can generate with additional campers. He added that at last month's Board Meeting, there was a resident present who asked for facility improvements and a free fitness membership because of the number of classes she takes. He said staff is continually challenged with residents supportive of growth and reduced user fees but criticized for spending and relying too much on tax revenue. He mentioned staff's concern with the mandatory minimum wage increase, saying over 300 seasonal and part time employees will be paid up to 50% more in a few years with no new revenue.

C. Discovery Playground

President Cook stated this was covered under presentations and asked if there was any other comment. Director Garvy asked if there were any reservations with moving forward in June with ordering the equipment as presented. Commissioner Altpeter said she is fully supportive and is not in favor of reducing or eliminating any components. Commissioner Richter agreed as did President Cook. Director Garvy thanked the Board for their support and said staff will finalize the equipment list and present a recommendation to purchase the equipment at the meeting of June 20.

D. Arboretum Woods Parks/Warrenville Road Bridge Underpass

Director Garvy reviewed the memo in the board packet. Commissioner Altpeter stated she is concerned if the Village will continue to make this project and a connection a priority, especially if they experience board turnover. Commissioner Olson said he understands that concern but would like to acknowledge some progress, specifically their finding favor in the Park District's request for funding for the Rott Creek project. He added that the neighbors most impacted are supportive, which is the driving factor for him. He said it's difficult to support given the recent past, but the letter from the HOA president gives him confidence that if it comes to fruition it will be a good thing. Commissioner Altpeter agreed with the improved relations, but said she fears that the Park District will hear concerns from the neighbors that there are unwanted people in the park, saying we've heard similar concerns in other situations. Commissioner Olson asked about indemnification and insurance moving forward, to which Director Garvy replied all of those concerns can be worked out in an intergovernmental agreement, should the parties involved find the connection feasible, which will be determined in the coming months. Commissioner Richter stated he is largely in agreement with Commissioner Olson, and if the only issue at this time is the 4(f) letter, he is comfortable with keeping this phase of the project moving forward. President Cook said he agrees, too but emphasized the need at the next crossroads for assurances that the Village of Lisle will in fact make a connection on both sides. Director Garvy suggested that when that next step comes, he can ask a representative from the Village to attend a Park Board meeting to provide clarity and answer any questions the Park Board may have.

Superintendent Cerutti provided an update on encroachment issues in the Parks, saying that at a minimum, 90% of the issues are coming from Green Trails. He explained the amount of time spent by he and Parks Manager Hamilton in addressing encroachments is excessive. Director Garvy agreed saying what makes matters worse is when neighbors are approached; often times staff is criticized or ignored. He said staff will be working with the Green Trails Improvement Association and the Village of Lisle to help address this growing concern.

President Cook asked for confirmation on Director Garvy's report on the Christkindl Market. Director Garvy stated they had met with the group and determined the Park District does not have an appropriate location to host such an event.

President Cook complimented Manager Shamberg on the new menu at Wheatstack. Commissioner Altpeter said she agrees. President Cook also complimented Superintendent Leone for the shred event, saying it was the largest one to date. Superintendent Leone said it was and they also collected \$723.25 in donations.

Director Garvy provided an update on the Parks Department vehicle and equipment storage facility soil samples. He reported the samples taken from alternative locations were not much better than the originals. He said staff is recommending they schedule a meeting with the architects and engineers to reevaluate all of the options with the hope others can be identified that can reduce the projected costs. Commissioner Olson stated maybe the Village of Lisle would consider the cost benefit of sharing facilities, knowing they have considered building a new public works facility. Director Garvy reported he and Public Works Director Elias have discussed that but there does not appear to be adequate space on their current property to accommodate all of their needs, let alone trying to add another 7,000 plus square feet of space for the Park District. He said he will look into it further.

XI. PARTNERS FOR PARKS REPORT

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

XII. SEASPAR REPORT

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

XIII. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President, Commissioner Cook

President Cook reported he attended the Woodridge Park District's recognition of their longtime commissioner Fred Hohnke. He added that he, Commissioner Ferron and Director Garvy attended the SEASPAR Believe & Achieve Banquet. He said it was a wonderful event and complimented SEASPAR staff for their unbelievable passion for what they do for those with special needs.

B. Treasurer, Financial Reports ending April 31, 2019

Superintendent Silver stated the District's investments are all collateralized or FDIC insured. He reported the IMRF fund shows \$25,000 less in expenses which is due to the rate decrease which in turn is due to the Park District having made additional payments in previous years.

Commissioner Altpeter reported she recently attended the Illinois Association of Park District's Legislative Conference in Springfield, IL, saying it was very informative, she was able to have exchanges with our legislators, specifically Representative Anne Stava-Murray. She said there was a lot of discussion on the minimum wage increase.

C. Commissioners' Reports

XIV. ADJOURN OPEN MEETING

Commissioner Olson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. Commissioner Richter seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.