

THE LISLE PARK DISTRICT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS REGULAR MEETING- Remote via Zoom August 19, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: President Richter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Director Garvy Called Roll: Commissioners Present: Richter

Costello Hummel Wessel

Commissioners Absent: Altpeter

Staff Present:

Director of Parks & Recreation Garvy Superintendent of Finance Silver Superintendent of Recreation Pratscher Superintendent of Parks Cerutti Assistant Superintendent of Recreation Dale Cultural Arts, Rental & Office Manager Nadeau Parks Manager Hamilton Facilities Maintenance Cockerill Facilities Maintenance Quinn

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

President Richter led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PRESENTATIONS

A. Bob K. Recreation Scholarships

Superintendent Cerutti gave a history of Bob Kuzmicki and how the scholarship started. Sheila Cockerill read the thank you notes from the scholarship winners, Hannah Bauer and Noelyn Zink.

B. Mr. Bill Littell, US Pickleball Association

Mr. Littell thanked the board for approving the installation of the two pickleball courts at Abbeywood Park. He said he also would like the board to consider putting a hub of six to eight courts in somewhere versus replicating Abbeywood, saying that while the two courts at Abbeywood are very much appreciated, pickleball is a much more social sport and multiple courts will provide the experience most pickleball players prefer as he has seen in multiple other neighboring communities. Director Garvy said the District will be having a Master Plan performed in 2022 and assuming that shows community demand, the park district will likely prioritize a multiple court project soon thereafter. The Board directed staff to investigate the costs of a multiple court complex.

C. Mr. Tom Duffy and President Dave Richter – Outdoor Fitness Stations

Mr. Duffy provided a handout and presented on updating and replacing the current outdoor fitness equipment in Community Park. He explained the proposed equipment is versatile, will serve a variety of individuals with varying levels of fitness and abilities, is very low maintenance, doesn't take away any green space, and is a nice way for people to work out outside. Director Garvy stated these components' popularity are on the rise as evidenced by the request of Arbor View Park neighbors to have some installed as part of that park's renovations. He explained the cost of the equipment is projected at just over \$24,000 and he feels he can fundraise at least half. Discussion ensued with unanimous consensus being for staff to include an allocation of \$10,000 in the District's 2022 budget with Mr. Duffy coordinating fundraising for the remaining.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

V. APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

Commissioner Hummel moved to approve the meeting agenda for the regular meeting for Thursday, August 19, 2021. Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

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

VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Hummel moved to approve consent agenda items A through E.

- A. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of July 15, 2021.
- B. Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of July 26, 2021.
- C. Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of July 27, 2021.
- D. Approve August 2021 Voucher List in the amount of \$150,125.72.
- E. Award the 2021 Asphalt Pathway Repairs contract to Murphy Construction Services, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$62,113.00.

Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hummel, Wessel, Costello, Richter

Absent: Altpeter. Nays: None.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

Communications are included in the board packet.

- A. Resident thank you to Parks Department staff.
- B. Woodridge Park District thank you
- C. Lisle Park District/Representative Costa Howard Community Blood Drive

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

None.

X.STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports have been submitted and included in the Board Packet and staff is happy to answer any questions.

- A. Community Park Boat Launch Status
- B. Public Access to the DuPage River

Director Garvy reviewed his memo and discussed resolutions that other Park Districts have recently adopted regarding public access to the DuPage River. Discussion ensued regarding public vs. private access. Commissioner Hummel said he would like language in a resolution that speaks to respecting private property rights. Commissioner Wessel said as a park district, he thinks the board needs to be in favor of allowing responsible public access. Commissioner Costello suggested that after the board adopts a resolution, that it is provided to local legislators with a request to introduce legislation to memorialize it. Director Garvy stated he will take the feedback provided and will present a resolution for the Park Board to consider at their meeting of September 16.

XI.PARTNERS FOR PARKS REPORT

The Partners for Parks Report is included in the Board Packet.

XII.SEASPAR REPORT

The SEASPAR report is included in the Board Packet.

XIII. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President Richter

President Richter welcomed new Commissioner, John Costello to the board.

i. Video Recording of Board Meetings

Commissioner Hummel asked for Park Board meetings to be recorded, saying he feels it helps with community engagement and transparency. He said most units of local government in Lisle currently record and stream their meetings. He said when he was on the library board, it was not very expensive to set up and coordinate.

Commissioner Richter said he looked into view counts of Naperville Park District meetings and when compared to Lisle's population, it would translate to fewer than seven views for the Lisle Park District. He said he feels recording meetings can result in people not speaking their minds freely for fear of video clips being taken out of context. He said he opposes the idea but is open to further discussions.

Commissioner Costello stated transparency is always good and under the Open Meetings Act anyone can record the meeting, saying that's the public's right. He said they should consider the cost benefit as to how many views it would receive compared to the cost of the equipment and hosting, in addition to accommodating the hearing impaired and other accommodations that would be required.

Commissioner Wessel stated he agrees that transparency is always good, but when things are posted online, they are often taken out of context.

Commissioner Hummel said the library approved it and he doesn't think it stifled any dialogue, and he hasn't seen statements taken out of context at the library or village. He suggested speaking with the library director about logistics.

President Richter suggested the board to table it for now, asked others to think about it further and it can be revisited at a future meeting.

B. Treasurer, Commissioner Wessel

i. Financial Reports ending, July 31, 2021

Superintendent Silver reported the investments are all collateralized or insured. He reported the Winfield Bond is at 4% for 75 days and the District made about \$1,200. He said the District is financially sound and said he is happy to answer any questions.

C. Commissioners' Reports.

Commissioner Wessel reported he enjoyed the swim season and his son is really enjoying the programs.

Commissioner Hummel stated he was unhappy to still see vandalism in the parks. He reported he visited a number of parks and viewed outdoor fitness equipment at parks in Westmont and Downers Grove. He said he attended the opening remarks at the Home Depot project at the Museums at Lisle Station Park, the Kiwanis Senior Picnic, and watched a 16-inch softball tournament in Forest Park. He reported some of the village's current projects including a responsible bidders ordinance, and the redevelopment of downtown, saying he voted against the TIF when he was on the library board. He said if the village continues with pursuing a residential development within the TIF, he thinks that is something the park district should discuss in the future.

XIV. CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Wessel moved to enter into closed session pursuant to section (c)(21): Discussion of minutes lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by section 2.06. Commissioner Costello seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote at 8:25 p.m.

XV. OPEN MEETING

The Board returned to open session at 8:30 pm.

XVI. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Roll Call:

Present: Wessel, Hummel, Costello, and Richter.

Absent: Altpeter.

Director Garvy stated the Board was in closed session pursuant to Section 2(c)21.

XVII. ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

A. Approval of certain closed session meeting minutes Commissioner Hummel moved to approve the closed session meeting minutes of February 18, 2021; July 26, 2021; and July 27, 2021. Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

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

B. Release of certain closed session meeting minutes Commissioner Hummel moved to release the closed session meeting minutes of November 12, 2020; January 21, 2021; February 18, 2021; July 26, 2021; and July 27, 2021. Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

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

C. Authorization of the destruction of certain verbatim recordings of closed session meetings.

Commissioner Hummel moved to authorize the destruction of the verbatim recordings of the closed session meetings of September 19, 2019 and December 19, 2019. Commissioner Costello seconded the motion.

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

XVIII. ADJOURN OPEN MEETING

Commissioner Wessel moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:32 pm. Commissioner Costello seconded the motion.

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