



**THE LISLE PARK DISTRICT
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING
April 20, 2023**

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

Director Garvy Called Roll:

Commissioners Present:

Altpeter
Costello
Hummel
Wessel

Staff Present:

Director of Parks & Recreation
Superintendent of Parks
Superintendent of Recreation
Cultural Arts, Rental & Office Manager
Human Resources Manager

Garvy
Cerutti
Pratscher
Nadeau
Welge

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

President Altpeter led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. REMOTE ATTENDANCE AUTHORIZATION

None.

IV. PRESENTATIONS

A. Gentle Learning Preschool Teacher Nancy Staib's Retirement
Superintendent Pratscher said a few words in recognition of Mrs. Staib' 20 years of service, saying she has shown resilience, understanding, and love to around 1,000 families in her classroom over the years. Early Childhood Manager Jehs echo's Superintendent Pratscher's words and added that she will miss her laughter, shoes, and art projects. Jehs presented Staib with a crystal apple for her 20 years of service. President Altpeter congratulated Mrs. Staib. Director Garvy thanked Mrs. Staib for her years of service and said he is proud to work with her.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

VI. APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

Commissioner Hummel moved to approve the meeting agenda for the regular meeting for Thursday, April 20, 2023. Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

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

VII. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Hummel moved to approve consent agenda items A, C, D, E, F, and G inclusive of the voucher list in the amount of \$243,470.20.

A. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 16, 2023.

C. Approve the April 2023 Voucher List in the amount of \$243,470.20.

D. Approve License Agreement between the Lisle Park District and the Village of Lisle for a July 3, 2023 Fireworks Display in Community Park.

E. Permit the attendance of President Altpeter at the Illinois Association of Park Districts' Legislative Reception and Conference on May 2-3, 2023 in Springfield, IL.

F. Permit the attendance of pending Commissioners Dombroski and Tapella at the Illinois Association of Park Districts' New Commissioner Boot Camp on May 22 in Naperville Illinois.

G. Award the Community Park East Pathway Replacement project to Obsidian Asphalt Paving in an amount not to exceed \$54,995.50.

Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hummel, Wessel, Costello, Altpeter

Absent: None.

Motion Passed.

B. Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of March 29, 2023.

Commissioner Hummel moved to approve item B with an amendment to page 6 of the minutes, changing, "Commission Hummel asked where pickleball was on the priority list" to "Commissioner Hummel questioned why pickleball wasn't higher on the list."

Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

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

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Strategic Plan Adoption

President Altpeter stated the Strategic Master Plan report and memo is included in the board packet, and said the plan is not an all or nothing thing, but something staff and board will prioritize moving forward.

Commissioner Hummel stated on page 17- he doesn't like the language "pass a referendum." President Altpeter stated that statement is nothing more than "if you decide to go the route of funding what the community has said they want, this is how to do it." She said the consultants' job was to identify what the community prioritizes and to offer recommendations on how to achieve that. She said this is not endorsing a referendum, but rather acknowledging it is one way to achieve the recommendations in the plan. Commissioner Wessel said he's comfortable with it because it's not an action, but a way to meet what the community says they want. Commissioner Costello added there are other ways to get funding such as donations and public-private partnerships, but a referendum is the most frequently used and is put forth to the electorate for a vote. He said he does not object to the use of that language.

Commissioner Hummel said "Pass" is the trigger word and he thinks that is electioneering. Commissioner Costello said this is not electioneering and cited an example of an elected official distributing cookies at a polling place as electioneering. He said in his years of prosecuting these sorts of actions, the use of "pass a referendum" is not electioneering. Commissioner Hummel said the plan can use the word "explore" a referendum. President Altpeter said the word "explore" doesn't accomplish the recommendations in the plan. Director Garvy stated in his opinion, he recommends the language stays as-is because the community needs to know that if the community wants all these things from the survey, they will need to pay more than they are currently. He said staff is not

recommending a referendum, but if people want to pay for what they have said they want, a referendum is the way to do it.

President Altpeter added this is just a report and the future Park Board will need to decide how to implement it. She said this is a working handbook of what our constituents want us to do; where we focus and where resources should be allocated. She said we may not agree with everything, but it's a working document for the next ten years.

Commissioner Costello moved to adopt the Strategic Master Plan as presented.

Commissioner Wessel Seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Costello, Wessel, Altpeter

Nay: Hummel

Absent: None.

Motion Passed.

Commissioner Hummel said he voted no because he only objects to the use of the word "pass."

Director Garvy stated staff will work with the consulting team to finalize the Capital Improvement Plan and action plan over the next couple of weeks, and the final report and executive summary will be posted to the District's website.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Employee Handbook Revisions

Director Garvy said Superintendent of Human Resources Welge is here if the board has any questions. President Altpeter thanked Commissioner Hummel for suggesting no apparel with political messaging be added to the dress code.

Commissioner Hummel moved to adopt the revisions to the Lisle Park District Employee Handbook as presented. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Costello.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hummel, Costello, Wessel, Altpeter

Nay: None.

Absent: None.

Motion passed.

B. Connelly Park Tennis Court Repairs and Maintenance

Commissioner Wessel asked if we repaint all the tennis courts with pickleball lines. Superintendent Cerutti stated the District does, they have both tennis and pickleball lines.

Commissioner Wessel moved to award the 2023 Connelly Tennis Court repairs and Maintenance project to Chicagoland Paving from Lake Zurich, IL for an amount not to exceed \$75,000 and to accept the alternate pricing to replace the chain link fencing for an amount not to exceed \$5,500.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hummel

Roll Call:

Ayes: Wessel, Hummel, Costello, Altpeter

Nay: None.

Absent: None.

Motion passed.

XI. STAFF REPORTS

A. Tate Woods Park Design Services

Director Garvy reported the Tate Woods Park Renovations memo is included in the board packet. He said the first meeting with the neighbors will be on May 4th at 6:00 pm and staff will provide an update for the board at their meeting of May 18th where he will be looking for direction on setting a project budget. In June there will be a focus group meeting and Upland designs presentation. Discussion ensued with the unanimous consensus being an unwillingness to include permanent bathrooms if they are indeed expected to cost \$400,000.

B. Benson Property – Pulte Homes Development Park Donation

Director Garvy stated his memo is included in the board packet and explained there is a small portion on both sides of the development that falls within the Woodridge Park District. He said the intent of the builder is to have that small area annexed into Lisle Park District so the entire development is served by the Lisle Park District. He said Pulte will be working with Woodridge Park District on that part of the project and that he will keep the board updated.

Commissioner Hummel asked if there are levy problems there and Director Garvy said no, not that he has been made aware of. He asked if Director Garvy would ask that a no fishing sign be installed on the bridge over the river, and that a no outlet sign be installed as well so people know Summerhill Drive is not a through street.

President Altpeter said she wants to make sure the Lisle Park District is listed on the development agreement between Pulte and the Villages of Woodridge and Lisle as the recipients of the required park land/cash donation so the impact fees go directly to the park district and not to the villages to then be turned over to us. Director Garvy said he will make that request.

Director Garvy referenced a written report he provided the park board on April 19 regarding the Committee on Local Government Efficiency Act the park district is required to form in accordance with recently adopted legislation. Director Garvy reported the committee needs to consist of the current board, two citizens, and the agency administrator, and recommended Superintendent of Recreation & Marketing Pratscher also be considered since there will be a fair amount of administrative work required. President Altpeter agreed and said she would prefer people with knowledge of intergovernmental operations, who are non-confrontational, pro-collaboration, and preferably not another elected official. Director Garvy asked if anyone has any recommendation, to please share with President Altpeter as she will be the one to appoint them. Commissioner Costello suggested the board consider someone like Mike Connelly or Joe Broda. Director Garvy said the deadline to appoint this committee is June 10, so the park board should consider this appointment at their meeting of May 18.

XII. SEASPAR REPORT

The SEASPAR report is included in the Board Packet.

XIII. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President Altpeter

President Altpeter thanked Commissioner Costello for stepping up to fill former President Don Cook's seat. She said Commissioner Costello's attention to detail was an asset to the District, thanked him and said he will be missed. Director Garvy also thanked

Commissioner Costello and said the District will be planting a tree in Community Park as a thank you.

B. Treasurer, Commissioner Wessel

i. Financial Reports ending March 31, 2023

Commissioner Wessel said all investments are FDIC insured and/or collateralized. Commissioner Wessel said he is impressed with all the camp numbers. Director Garvy stated the recreation programming summer registration is off the charts. Superintendent Pratscher added that the camp registration is at an all-time high, but the District has limitations on staffing and space, but staff are working to accommodate as many as they can. Director Garvy reminded everyone the revenue for camps will not show up on the financials until the program starts.

C. Commissioners' Reports.

Commissioner Hummel talked about an email he received from the 202 Environmental Club and had previously asked Director Garvy if we could have more recycling in the parks. Superintendent Cerutti added that the problem is if someone puts non-recycling in the can the whole thing has to be considered as trash and the District gets a fine. He said this has happened previously and as a result, recycling efforts have been limited to facilities and some special events. He said the District can add recycling cans to the picnic shelters to see how that goes.

XIV. ADJOURN OPEN MEETING

Commissioner Costello moved to adjourn the regular board meeting. Commissioner Wessel seconded.

There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote at 8:04 p.m.