

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT
Zoom Meeting Call in (312) 626-6799
Meeting ID: 840 9160 6022; Password 576362643
April 13, 2021 at 7 p.m.

President Leno called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioners Present

W. Ploger
B. Owen
R. Nesvacil
T. Gelinas
M. Leno

Commissioners Absent

STAFF PRESENT: Carrie Fullerton, Executive Director; Brian Meyer, Director of Recreation and Facilities; Jason Myers, Director of Finance and Personnel; Ben Rea, Director of Parks and Planning; and Kendra Maher, Recording Secretary.

Other Staff on Zoom call: Steve Neill, Kristy McCann, Cari Boyle, Dan Schoeneberg, Jeff Everson, Kyle Donahue, Nick Wirth, Steve Dietz, and Tim Govern.

Others on Zoom call: Melissa Cayer and Jen Kim, residents.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Resident M. Cayer stated that the Park District has asked for liquor license fees to be waived by the Village of Arlington Heights for Arlington Lakes Golf Course, Heritage Tennis Club, and Nickol Knoll Golf Course. Ms. Cayer asked the District not to use tax dollars for alcohol sales.

MINUTES

No discussion.

Comr. Nesvacil moved, seconded by Comr. Owen, to approve the March 23, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes.

Roll was called with:

Ayes – Nesvacil, Owen, Gelinas, Ploger, Leno

Nays – None

Absent – None

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0; MOTION CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS & INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Financial Forecast

No discussion.

Fee Recommendations

Kyle Donahue, Cultural Arts Supervisor and Kristy McCann, Supt. of Recreation Programs presented the proposed 2021/22 fiscal year fee recommendations for Dance, Performing Arts, Art & Arts Alive Camp.

Dan Schoeneberg, Museum Administrator presented the proposed 2021/22 fiscal year fee recommendations for the Arlington Heights Historical Museum.

Athletic Supervisors Nick Wirth, Cari Boyle, and Steve Dietz presented the proposed 2021/22 fiscal year fee recommendations for Aces House & Travel Soccer, Youth Basketball, T-Ball, Melas Softball Leagues, Melas Weekend Rental Revenue, and Athletic Field & Gym Rentals.

Resident M. Cayer shared that the dance recitals could be done on the football fields or tennis courts like they did back in the 1960's.

OLD BUSINESS

2021/2022 Budget

Dir. Myers expressed that at this time if any of the Board has questions about the budget, please ask. The Public Hearing was sent to be published in the newspaper, on April 8, 2021, and will also be posted on the website. The public hearing will be held prior to the Board Meeting on April 27, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS

Adopt Temporary Rules for Public Participation

Dir. Myers explained the District will be conducting the annual Public Hearing on the 2021/2022 Annual Budget, and with meetings still being held via Zoom, staff are recommending the continuation of temporary rules for public participation at Public Hearings.

President Leno clarified that this motion was for the Public Hearing only, and does not apply to the regular board meetings. Dir. Myers confirmed that is correct.

Vice President Gelinas moved, seconded by Comr. Ploger, to approve to extend the temporary rules to allow public input during public hearings in 2021 while meetings are conducted via Zoom. Public comment can be left at 847-577-3007 by 5 pm on the Tuesday of the public hearing. Any comments pertaining to the Public Hearing will be played during the meeting. Next, public comment can be emailed to recordingsecretary@ahpd.org. Any email that arrives by 5 pm on the Tuesday of the public hearing will be read during the

meeting. Finally, public comment will be made available via video/phone conference on Zoom. This information shall be made available in the Public Hearing Notice and on the Public Hearing Agenda.

Roll was called with:

Ayes – Gelinas, Ploger, Owen, Nesvacil, Leno

Nays – None

Absent – None

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0; MOTION CARRIED

Park District Advisory Committees

Exec. Dir. Fullerton explained that over the past five years it has become apparent that the functionality and effectiveness of the Museum Advisory Committee has diminished. The needs of the museum and the dynamics of community involvement have changed dramatically since the committee's inception. As it currently stands, the Museum Advisory Committee focuses on overall partner logistical efforts within the facility. Additionally, methods to gather community input have changed and allow for more voices to be heard through the use of internet based technology.

Staff feel they can continue to have these meetings by eliminating citizen volunteers, and adding another Historical Society Member.

The Golf Advisory Committee has not been able to meet over the last year due to COVID. Staff would like to change to a less formal structure by having two focus groups each year with up to 25 participants who represent leagues and permanent tee times to evaluate and make suggestions about course operations.

President Leno asked about the IGA and the Museum Advisory Committee and their partnered structure. Dan Schoeneberg confirmed that the IGA and the Museum Advisory Committee are not tied together.

Vice President Gelinas and Comr. Owen asked that the members of these committees be contacted by staff on the decision to make changes to the structure of these committees first hand, and thank them for their past commitments to serve these committees.

Comr. Ploger supported this change and asked that perhaps a Village's events staff member could join the Museum Advisory Board to help with collaboration.

Comr. Nesvacil suggested having the schools be involved to help develop both the museum and golf course.

Vice President Gelinas moved, seconded by Comr. Ploger to populate the Museum Advisory Board with partner representatives and additional Historical Society members and to dissolve the Golf Advisory Board in its current format and direct staff to formulate and conduct a bi-annual Golf Focus Group.

Roll was called with:

Ayes – Gelinias, Ploger, Nesvacil, Owen, Leno

Nays – None

Absent – None

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0; MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Reports

Comr. Owen complimented all who were involved with the vaccine clinic at the ARC, everyone did a phenomenal job, the relationship that was developed with Jewel/Osco is exactly what was needed to give back to the community.

Comr. Nesvacil echoed Comr. Owen, sharing that it was awesome to see the gleaming faces of relief coming in to receive to vaccine. Kudos to all the staff that was involved making phone calls to residents who did not have access to the internet to get an appointment on their own. A tremendous effort by all staff, and residents are very appreciative. Hope that we can leverage the Jewel/Osco relationship to bring another clinic to the community.

Comr. Ploger shared that the vaccine clinic was one of his proudest moments as a commissioner in what we were able to do for others. It is a great way to go out, thanks to everyone.

Vice President Gelinias thanked staff for giving 1170 people the opportunity to be vaccinated, it was a great effort by all.

President Leno also thanked all involved in making the vaccine clinic possible. The vision when we built the ARC was for one stop shopping, to give back to all in the community. The relationship that was obtained with Jewel/Osco, Rotary made it all possible.

MOVED INTO CLOSED SESSION

Comr. Nesvacil moved, seconded by Vice President Gelinias to hold Closed Session for the Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the AHPD – 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1), Potential Acquisition of Real Estate 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6) at 8:39 p.m.

Roll was called with:

Ayes – Nesvacil, Gelinias, Ploger, Owen, Leno

Nays – None

Absent – Nesvacil, Leno

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0; MOTION CARRIED

RECONVENED TO REGULAR MEETING

At 8:54 p.m. the Regular Meeting was reconvened and the following were present:

Board: Nesvacil, Ploger, Owen, Gelinas, Leno
Staff: Fullerton, Rea, Myers, Maher
Resident: Cayer and Kim

No action was taken from Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Gelinas moved, seconded by Comr. Ploger to adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

Roll was called with:

Ayes – Gelinas, Ploger, Owen, Nesvacil, Leno

Nays – None

Absent – None

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0; MOTION CARRIED

Maryfran H. Leno, President
Board of Commissioners
Arlington Heights Park District

Carrie A. Fullerton, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
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Date Approved