



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT
Administration Center
410 N. Arlington Heights Road
October 24, 2023 at 6:30pm

President Leno called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:30pm

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioners Present

M. Leno
T. Gelinis
R. Nesvacil
B. Owen

Commissioners Absent

J. Supplitt

Staff Present: Carrie Fullerton, Executive Director; Brian Meyer, Director of Recreation and Facilities; Ben Rea, Director of Parks and Planning; Jason Myers, Director of Finance and Personnel; Amy Lewandowski, Director of Marketing and Community Engagement; and Kathy Lydon, Recording Secretary.

Other Staff in Attendance: Superintendent Matt Turinsky

Others in Attendance: Attorney Andrew Paine (via zoom)

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice President Gelinis moved, seconded by Commissioner Nesvacil, to approve the September 19, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes, and the September 26, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes. On a voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

PRESENTATIONS & INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

DISTINGUISHED BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD – GFOA

Director Myers shared that the District received this award for the twenty-second time.

SEPTEMBER, 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT

Director Myers presented the Financial Report for September 2023.

OLD BUSINESS

HEALTH INSURANCE UPDATE

Director Myers said staff received information today from Stumm Insurance that Blue Cross Blue Shield, after some negotiations, came back with a net rate increase of 1.8% to premiums. The 2024 Employee Health Insurance will be presented for approval at the November 14 Board Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Attorney Paine reviewed some of the changes that were made to both agreements. He stated the goal was to consolidate the previous intergovernmental agreements with the school district into one master document.

APPROVAL OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS WITH SCHOOL DISTRICT 25

Vice President Gelinas moved, seconded by Commissioner Nesvacil, to approve and sign the Intergovernmental Agreements with School District 25 for Shared Use of Facilities and the Lease Agreement (Dryden Playground), as presented. On a voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Attorney Paine left the meeting at 6:46pm.

APPROVAL OF TRACTOR PURCHASE

Superintendent Turinsky said this new tractor will replace a tractor purchased in the year 2000 that has reached the end of its useful life. Superintendent Turinsky added the snow pusher that will be purchased will be helpful clearing snow from the larger parking lots. The old equipment will be added to the surplus, and eventually put up for auction.

Commissioner Owen moved, seconded by Commissioner Nesvacil, to approve the purchase of Kubota L Series Tractor/Loader from the Sourcewell Purchasing Cooperative, contract # 031121, and 8' Skid Steer Snow Pusher from Burriss Equipment Co. Joliet, IL. in the total amount of \$63,771.22

Roll was called with:

Ayes –Owen, Nesvacil, Gelinas, Leno

Nays – None

Absent – Supplitt

Ayes – 4; Nays – 0; MOTION CARRIED

CONSIDERATION OF CONCRETE BIDS

Director Rea said the concrete bids came in much higher than what was budgeted. He recommended rejecting the bids, and going out to bid again in January or February in hopes of getting better pricing.

Vice President Gelinas moved, seconded by Commissioner Owen to reject the base bids and alternates 1– 4 as submitted by Innovation Landscape and GC Designs and direct staff to rebid the projects at a later date. On a voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION R-10-23

Vice President Gelinas moved, seconded by Commissioner Nesvacil to approve Resolution R-10-23 that calls a public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell, not to exceed \$3,500,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds for the purposes and projects, for the payment of outstanding obligations of the District and for the payment of the expense's incident thereto.

Roll was called with:

Ayes – Gelinias, Nesvacil, Owen, Leno

Nays – None

Absent – Supplitt

Ayes – 4; Nays – 0; MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION R-11-23 – TRUTH IN TAXATION

Director Myers said staff is recommending 8.06% increase in the tax levy in order to capture any new growth in the area.

Vice President Gelinias moved, seconded by Commissioner Owen, to approve Resolution R-11-23 of the Proposed Tax Levy for the Tax Year 2023. On a voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER, 2023 VOUCHER

Commissioner Nesvacil moved, seconded by Commissioner Owen, to approve the Voucher Listing for the month of September, 2023, in the amount of \$1,869,133.76 and the payroll and payroll related expense distribution for the month of September, 2023 for \$1,121,236.96.

Roll was called with:

Ayes – Nesvacil, Owen, Gelinias, Leno

Nays – None

Absent – Supplitt

Ayes – 4; Nays – 0; MOTION CARRIED

PARK FOUNDATION REPORT

Director Lewandowski said Foundation members are working on sending out thank you letters to sponsors, and some golfers. Foundation members will be passing out candy at the Trunk or Treat event on Saturday.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Fullerton updated the Board on the following:

- Congratulations to Vice President Gelinias on ten years of service, and Commissioner Nesvacil on twenty years of service on the Park District Board.
- The Joint Meeting with the Library board takes place on Saturday, October 28.
- The closing for the 750 W. Northwest Highway property is November 3.
- Regarding a resident's concerns about organic practices in the parks, Superintendent Turinsky and Director Rea have been putting together a draft plan for a pilot project to use organic products at Greenbrier Park.
- If any Commissioner is planning on attending IPRA Conference in January, please let Kathy know as soon as possible.
- Executive Director Fullerton asked if any Commissioners would like to be a part of the interviews for Construction Managers and Bond Consultants. Commissioner Owen would like to be included in the Bond Consultant interviews. President Leno stated in the past a committee was formed for the Construction Manager interviews, and she would like to be on the committee. Vice President Gelinias said he would be on both. Per our attorney, an RFQ is not required because they are professional services.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- Vice President Gelinas thanked Director Myers for setting up the IAPD event Friday night.
- Commissioner Owen attended the first annual Oktoberfest Golf Outing, along with 82 other golfers. He said everyone involved did a great job.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Owen moved, seconded by Vice President Gelinas, to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:08pm. On a voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Carrie A. Fullerton, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
Arlington Heights Park District

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

Date Approved