

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS of the Park District of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois was held in the Administration Building of the Park District of Forest Park, 7501 Harrison Street, Forest Park, Illinois at 6:30 p.m. on May 18, 2017.

ROLL CALL: President Doss chaired the meeting, calling it to order at 6:00 p.m. Commissioners Doss, McDermott, Walsh and Doss answered present. Commissioner Sansone was an excused absence. Also present were Assistant Director Steve Thomas, Treasurer Joe Murray and Secretary Chris Richards. Residents Chris Walsh and Mike Thompson were also in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion was made by Commissioner Entler, seconded by Commissioner Walsh, to approve the agenda. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Entler, McDermott, Walsh and Doss; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioner Sansone.

MINUTES:

-Motion was made by Commissioner Entler, seconded by Commissioner Walsh, to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2017 Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Entler, Walsh and Doss; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioner Sansone; Abstained: Commissioner McDermott.

-Motion was made by Commissioner Entler, seconded by Commissioner Walsh, to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2017 Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Entler, Walsh and Doss; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioner Sansone; Abstained: Commissioner McDermott.

CORRESPONDENCE:

-None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

-Chris Walsh addressed the Board asking that they reconsider their decision to deny his request to again host a Wounded Warrior Tournament that he has previously held here at the Park for a number of years. He said that he was aware of a number of problems that occurred in the past but asked that the Board approve the request one more time to give him the opportunity to rectify the issues of the past.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

-Treasurer Murray reviewed the disbursements for April and May 2017: computer generated checks totaled \$257,293.34 and manual checks totaled \$7,331.03 for a grand total of 264,624.37 in expenses submitted for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Entler, seconded by Commissioner McDermott, to approve disbursements for April and May 2017. Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Entler, McDermott, Walsh and Doss; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioner Sansone.

-Joe reviewed financial statements for the close of April 2017 the end of the fiscal year, noting that the balance on account as of April 30, 2017 was \$5,945,736.26. The Money Market fund shows a balance of \$902,010.06 as of 5/16/17 with an additional \$200,013.15 in the OSLAD Money Market Account and the Illinois Park District Liquid Asset Fund shows a balance of \$4,367,791.57 in the Bond Account with an additional \$426,558.79 in the DCEO account. Motion was made by Commissioner Walsh, seconded by Commissioner McDermott to approve the financial statements for the close of April 2017. . Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Entler, McDermott, Walsh and Doss; Nays: None; Absent: Commissioner Sansone.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS REPORT:

-None.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

-Assistant Director Thomas reported that the All School Picnic was successfully held today. He reported that the Celebrating Seniors Lunch that is scheduled for May 24, 2017 is now taking a waiting list having reached the maximum enrollment of 85 participants. Finally he noted that the pool was open for the picnic today and will be ready on opening day on May 27th.

-Commissioner McDermott asked if any more research had been done with regard to replacing the feature removed in the play park. Steve said that Larry Buckley has been having difficulty finding something that will fit in the area, but they are continuing to look.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

-Director Piekarz was not in attendance, but his written report provided a brief status of the Roos Property Development Project and also information on naming rights.

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF PARK DISTRICTS REPORT.

-Commissioner Entler said that IAPD has published its annual Buyers Guide so that might be a good resource for the playground equipment. He reported that attendance at the Legislative Conference was good at 340. He also noted that new sessions of the Commissioners Bootcamp have been planned if anyone is interested.

PARK DISTRICT OF FOREST PARK FOUNDATION REPORT.

-Assistant Director Thomas reported that there will be a Foundation meeting this evening. They will be focusing on recruitment of large donors and will also be raffling tickets for the Cubs game on August 14, 2017. Commissioner Entler said that, with the Board's approval, the Foundation Board would like to run split the pot raffles during this year's tournament again.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

-None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:




-None.

NEW BUSINESS:

-None.

ADJOURNMENT:

-Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner McDermott at 6:15 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Entler. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent:1.

Submitted by:  Secretary
Approved:  Board of Park Commissioners
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Date: 4/15/17