

THE LISLE PARK DISTRICT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS REGULAR MEETING November 16, 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 Remote: (7:02 p.m.) Altpeter

Staff Present:

Director of Parks & Recreation Garvy
Superintendent of Finance Silver
Superintendent of Recreation Pratscher
Cultural Arts, Rental & Office Manager Nadeau
Assistant Superintendent of Recreation Dale

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

President Richter led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PRESENTATIONS

None.

III. REMOTE ATTENDANCE AUTHORIZATION

A. Permit the attendance and participation of Commissioner Altpeter by remote means. In anticipation of Commissioner Altpeter's remote attendance, a zoom link had been provided.

Commissioner Hummel moved to permit Commissioner Altpeter's attendance at the November 16, 2021 meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners by remote means in accordance with Section 7 of the Open Meetings Act and the Lisle Park District Remote Attendance Policy. Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hummel, Wessel, Costello, Richter

Absent: None. Nays: None.

Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Commissioner Altpeter was added in the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Peter Bakas, President of Green Trails Improvement Association spoke on the good working relationship between the Lisle Park District and Green Trails Association. He wanted to let the District know that the Association is going to start addressing encroachments on their common areas. Director Garvy stated the park district currently deals with encroachments onto District property regularly and offered to assist in anyway the association sees fit. He suggested the park district and association draft a joint letter to be published in an upcoming issue of their newsletter. Commissioner Wessel stated he is a resident of Green Trails and would be happy to attend a meeting as a liaison between District and Association. President Richter thanked Mr. Bakas and the Association for sending copies of the Green Trails Pathfinder to the District.

V. APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

Commissioner Hummel moved to approve the meeting agenda for the regular meeting for Thursday, November 16, 2021. Commissioner Altpeter seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hummel, Altpeter, Costello, Wessel, Richter

Absent: None. Nays: None.

Motion passed.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Costello moved to approve consent agenda items A through C.

A. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 16, 2021.

- B. Approve November 2021 Voucher List in the amount of \$228,199.04.
- C. Approve the 2022 Regular meeting dates of the Board of Park Commissioners.

Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion. Commissioner Hummel asked to amend the minutes to strike the back half of a sentence halfway down on Page 6 of minutes that reads, "and he's bringing it up again here."

Commissioner Costello and Commissioner Wessel accepted Commissioner Hummel's change to amend the motion to include a revision to the minutes.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Costello, Wessel, Hummel, Altpeter, Richter

Absent: None. Nays: None.

Motion passed.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. 2022 Budget – Review and Discussion

Director Garvy stated that the memo is in the board packet and staff is happy to answer any questions.

President Richter suggested having the drinking fountain as an alternate bid item at Arbor View Park due to the projected cost of close to \$16,000. He said he thinks people tend to bring water bottles wherever they go now, so it's not necessary at a

neighborhood park. Director Garvy said the board can decide on the drinking fountain once bids are received and they learn of the total cost of the entire project.

President Richter asked if there have been any injuries from the rubber surface at Discovery Playground since one that occurred last summer. Director Garvy stated no injuries have been reported. Commissioner Wessel asked if the cost of the poured in place surfacing is expected to go up. Director Garvy stated he will have a better idea in the next few weeks, and before the bid in January or February.

President Richter asked how long Community Park ballfield 5 has been flooding. Director Garvy stated it's always flooded but has been more noticeable the last 7 or 8 years after the dugouts and adjacent concrete bleacher pads were installed. Commissioner Altpeter stated that it's the premier girls' softball field; however, it is noticeable even for walkers in the park and when it floods it goes over the pathway and walkers must go into wet grass to get around it.

Commissioner Hummel asked if the recreation registration software could be postponed for a year if costs continue to rise, saying then those funds could go towards Arbor View Park or the softball field improvements if the District had to prioritize. Commissioner Wessel pointed out that eTrak is very cumbersome, citing he couldn't even change his own address from one house in Lisle to another. Superintendent Pratscher stated the system is difficult at best to use, on both the customer side and staff side. He said staff has found creative work arounds for now but customers continue to struggle with the online registration and setting up accounts. He said CivicRec is trying to break into the Illinois market so the District has been able to leverage that for competitive pricing and delaying the project for a year would likely lose the current favorable and discounted pricing.

Commissioner Costello stated these projects are identified in the budget and asked if a given project needs additional funding, it would result in either shorting another project somewhere or come out of fund balance, as staff is not seeking additional revenue. Director Garvy said that is correct.

Superintendent Pratscher pointed out the registration software is budgeted within the recreation fund.

Commissioner Altpeter stated that the current software is hard to use for the public and staff and has been a burden in more ways than one. President Richter said he supports moving forward with the software purchase.

Director Garvy stated Superintendent Silver posted the Budget & Appropriations Ordinance late last week, so it will be on display for more than 30 days. He reported there will be two meetings in December, one at 6:45 p.m. to conduct a public hearing for the budget and appropriations ordinance and for its approval, followed by the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution 111621 – A Resolution determining funds estimated to be raised by taxation for the year 2021.

Commissioner Wessel moved to adopt Resolution 111621 – A Resolution determining funds estimated to be raised by taxation for the year 2021. Commissioner Costello seconded the motion. Commissioner Hummel asked if this resolution was approving the tax levy itself, to which Superintendent Silver answered it does not.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Costello, Wessel, Hummel, Altpeter, Richter

Absent: None. Nays: None.

Motion passed.

B. New Recreation Registration Software – Discussion and possible action Commissioner Hummel asked if this will make the new Registration & Recreation Assistants' job easier. Superintendent Pratscher stated it will, and right now all registrations, phone and in person, feed through the one central location and this will help streamline the process. Commissioner Hummel asked how many registrations are done in person vs. online. Superintendent Pratscher replied he can get the exact numbers, but he thinks it's about 50/50 and has been increasing over the past couple of years.

Commissioner Altpeter moved to authorize the purchase of the CivicRec Recreation Management Software in the amount of \$50,571, which is inclusive of implementation fees and year one of the annual service. Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Altpeter, Wessel, Costello, Hummel, Richter

Absent: None. Nays: None.

Motion passed.

X.STAFF REPORTS

Commissioner Hummel asked about the divots being repaired in the golf report and if that project is now completed. Superintendent Silver stated divot repairs are an ongoing project anytime golfers are on the course.

Commissioner Hummel asked about the dead trees being removed and replaced. Superintendent Silver stated 36 have already been removed and the rest will be done in phases. He said they intend on replacing most of them, especially those along the #2 fairway along Four Lakes Drive. Director Garvy added the District wants to be good neighbors and have a buffer of trees between the course and the homes. Commissioner Hummel asked if re- building the bunkers was a big project. Silver stated it's a large and disruptive job, but not a very costly one.

XI.PARTNERS FOR PARKS REPORT

Director Garvy reported the foundation is currently thinking of fundraising ideas for the summer concert series and recommended they be given right of first refusal to adopt these events as opportunities for the foundation. He said the foundation's main purpose is to provide scholarships for families and to offset park district costs for certain projects, so the thinks this is in both parties' best interest. Commissioner Wessel said that sounds like a very logical approach. President Richter agreed.

XII.SEASPAR REPORT

XIII. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President Richter

President Richter reported he attended the Village of Lisle pumpkin recycling event as a volunteer, and he attended the Veterans Day Ceremony saying it was nice to have the band in person and the event was very well received by those in attendance.

B. Treasurer, Commissioner Wessel

i. Financial Reports ending October 31, 2021,

Commissioner Wessel reported that while he could not attend Monster Madness, he observed a lot of people parking up and down the streets in his neighborhood and walking to and from the event. He said he heard nothing but positive feedback.

Superintendent Silver reported the district's investments are all collateralized or insured. He reported the fund balances look large because the tax dollars were received in September and they will be spent down as they have traditionally. He said he will be making the final payment to IMRF in accordance with past practices, and the enterprise fund is doing well, citing the restaurant license agreement as a large contributing factor.

C. Commissioners' Reports.

Commissioner Altpeter stated the Veterans Memorial Ceremony was wonderful and that she heard from several people Monster Madness was a great event.

XIV. ADJOURN OPEN MEETING

Commissioner Wessel moved to adjourn the open meeting. Commissioner Hummel seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Wessel, Hummel, Costello, Altpeter, Richter

Absent: None. Nays: None.

Motion passed at 7:56 p.m.