



**THE LISLE PARK DISTRICT
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, November 16, 2023
7:00 p.m.**

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
Wessel
Hummel
Commissioners Absent: Dombroski
Tapella

Staff Present Included: Director of Parks & Recreation Garvy
Superintendent of Finance, Golf Operations & IT Silver
Superintendent of Recreation & Marketing Pratscher
Superintendent of Parks & Facilities Cerutti
Assistant Superintendent of Recreation Dale

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Stringini's Gentle Learning Preschool class led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. President Altpeter thanked the group for attending and presented the students with a certificate of achievement.

III. PRESENTATIONS

President Altpeter was recognized for 10 years serving the community on the Lisle Park District Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Wessel thanked President Altpeter for her service and influencing him to serve the community as a Park Commissioner. Director Garvy noted that President Altpeter's impact on the community surpassed her efforts on the Board of Park Commissioners, serving on multiple committees over the last twenty years. Director Garvy detailed the vast number of projects and accolades that the Park District accomplished during her tenure as a Park Board Commissioner. Director Garvy noted that her encouragement, support, and networking has benefited the District and community.

Director Garvy read prepared statements from past Park Board Presidents, Dave Richter and Don Cook, which also thanked President Altpeter for her service.

Commissioner Wessel and Director Garvy presented President Altpeter with a plaque from the Illinois Association of Park Districts to commemorate her 10 years of service as a Park Board commissioner.

President Altpeter thanked all those in attendance for their support over the years and for taking the time to attend tonight's meeting.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Neil Buchelt, 2025 Middleton, Avenue, Lisle, IL. Mr. Buchelt thanked President Altpeter for her efforts to the community. He stated that on a professional and personal level, both through his time as previous Park Board Commissioner and a Lisle Park District resident, he appreciates her efforts toward the community.

Mr. Dan Burris 5336 Westview Lane, Lisle, IL. Mr. Burris inquired on the usage plans for the Community Park Fitness space once the facility closes in 2024. President Altpeter stated public comment is not generally a time for the park board to engage in conversation, and suggested Mr. Burris contact Director Garvy for details on the potential future use of the space.

President Altpeter asked if there was anyone else in the audience to speak. No other audience members stepped forward.

V. APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

Commissioner Hummel moved to approve the meeting agenda. Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Altpeter, Hummel, Wessel

Absent: Dombroski, Tapella

Motion Passed.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Hummel moved to approve the Consent Agenda items, including the voucher list in the amount of \$423,745.13. Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Altpeter, Hummel, Wessel

Absent: Dombroski, Tapella

Motion Passed.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

Operation Support Our Troops – Park District Donation of Candy

President Altpeter stated that candy donations will continue until Monday, November 20, 2023. Director Garvy shared that the updated total of candy donations has surpassed 400 pounds at the time of the meeting.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2024 Budget Draft – Discussion

Commissioner Hummel stated that he is not sure if including a \$25,000 engineering survey for a bridge at Hitchcock Woods is worth including in the budget if the project is anticipated to cost between \$200,000-\$300,000. President Altpeter stated that she believes the engineering survey is worth keeping in the budget for further board discussion based on the continuous community interest in the project that has been displayed. Director Garvy stated that staff can discuss project possibilities with the civil engineer on how to accomplish the goal of the project while minimizing costs prior to executing any agreement, and that any such agreement would be brought before the Park Board for authorization. Director Garvy also mentioned that there has been persistent interest from the residents about this development and trail connectivity throughout the community.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution 111623 – A Resolution determining funds estimated to be raised by taxation for the year 2023.

Commissioner Hummel clarified that this action does not approve the levy, to which Director Garvy said he is correct, this merely states the levy request does not exceed a 5% increase over the previous year's. Commissioner Wessel moved to approve the Resolution determining the funds estimated to be raised by the taxation for the year 2023. Commissioner Hummel seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Altpeter, Hummel, Wessel

Absent: Dombroski, Tapella

Motion Passed.

B. Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund – fund balance and additional payment discussion

Commissioner Wessel stated that he believes the District should make a payment this year in order to remain under the threshold for tax objections. Commissioner Wessel also stated that if payment was made this year, he would be in support of a \$0.00 levy for 2024 for the IMRF fund. Commissioner Hummel asked Director Garvy if staff had a recommendation. Director Garvy stated staff would still recommend what it recommended previously, which is a \$70,000 additional payment and a \$25,000 levy as that would solve both issues, that of removing the possibility of a tax objection while also reducing and maintaining a fund balance that would be about 6 months of operating expenses. He said he understands the board's position on this matter regardless.

President Altpeter stated that she would support a \$0 tax levy for the fund if the Board agreed to make a \$10,000 additional payment this year and asked if there was consensus. Commissioners Hummel and Wessel said OK. President Altpeter then said this will be on the consent agenda for the Regular Meeting in December.

C. Illinois Association of Park Districts' Annual Meeting Designees

Commissioner Hummel moved to designate President Altpeter as the delegate and Commissioner Wessel as the alternate delegate to the Illinois Association of Park Districts' Annual Meeting. Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Altpeter, Hummel, Wessel

Absent: Dombroski, Tapella

Motion Passed.

D. Video Recording and Televising of Board Meetings

Discussion deferred to December 2023 Park Board Meeting due to absences of Commissioners Dombroski and Tapella.

X. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President, Commissioner Altpeter

President Altpeter stated she attended Illinois Association of Park Districts meeting on November 16. The Association is excited for the annual conference in January 2024. President Altpeter encouraged fellow Commissioners to consider attending the conference in future years. President Altpeter also thanked the Commissioners, staff, and audience attendees for the

acknowledgment of her 10-year anniversary serving on the Lisle Park District Board of Commissioners.

B. Treasurer, Superintendent Silver

Financial Reports ending October 31, 2023. Superintendent Silver confirmed that all assets are FDIC and/or collateralized. Superintendent Silver stated that October was a tough month for the enterprise fund with the weather, but November has improved, making 2023 another positive year with both River Bend Golf Course and Wheatstack ahead of their 2022 financial performance. He stated that capital expenditures will continue to increase throughout 2023 as projects and payments are finalized. Superintendent Silver also shared that the early stages of the annual financial audit are underway.

XI. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Wessel stated that he attended the Veterans Day Ceremony and complimented the event.

Commissioner Hummel stated that he attended Veterans Day Ceremony, as well as the Monster Madness event at the end of October. Commissioner Hummel also shared that he donated candy for Operation Support Our Troops. He thanked President Altpeter for her years of service.

XII. ADJOURN OPEN MEETING:

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

There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote at 7:42 PM.