

## THE LISLE PARK DISTRICT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS SPECIAL MEETING FEBRUARY 18, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: President Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Lisle Park District Recreation Multipurpose Room, 1925 Ohio Street, Lisle, IL 60532.

Director Garvy Called Roll:	Commissioners Present:	Altpeter Cook Olson Richter
	Commissioner Absent: Also Present:	Ferron
	Director	Garvy

## **II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

## III. MAINTENANCE OF KINDI ACADEMY PLAYGROUND AND GREENSPACE – DISCUSSION

Director Garvy reported that the Village of Lisle Planning & Zoning Commission asked Kindi Academy to get a written position from the Park District relative to the Park District's willingness to maintain the playground equipment and adjacent greenspace at Tate Woods School should Kindi Academy purchase the property. He said he had recently met with representative from Kindi Academy and Park District legal counsel to discuss the possibility of a shared use agreement. He reported that the Board had previously expressed concern with dedicating public funds to maintain private property and that Park District legal counsel advised against doing so unless there was a tangible public benefit offered in return. Director Garvy reported the meeting with Kindi Academy had resulted in very positive dialogue but due to Kindi Academy's intended use of the facility and the Park District needs, a tangible public benefit could not be identified.

Commissioner Olson said he appreciates the efforts of staff to find a solution. He said he was supportive of exploring the possibility because Tate Woods Park on Yackley is near the school but it is a little bit of a walk. He said he imagines some neighbors have become used to the school's playground. He stated the mayor had previously said the Village is in the park business and suggested the Planning and Zoning Commission may want to recommend that the Village of Lisle provide the maintenance and insurance coverage.

Commissioner Richter said the same people wanting the Lisle Park District to expend public funds on private property are the first people to castigate us. He said they have put the Park District in a no win situation and thinks this position they have put Kindi Academy in is just as shameful.

President Cook said he is glad staff was able to meet with Kindi Academy and said he is confident that in the future they and the Park District can have a good relationship. He said he agrees with Commissioner Olson's and Richter's comments about the planning and zoning commission placing the Park District in a no win situation.

## IV. ADJOURN SPECIAL MEETING

Commissioner Olson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 pm and Commissioner Richter seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.