

**THE LISLE PARK DISTRICT
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REGULAR MEETING
January 16, 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 Ferron Olson Richter
	Also Present:	
	Director	Garvy
	Superintendent of Recreation	Pratscher
	Superintendent of Finance	Silver
	Cultural Arts, Rental & Office Manager	Nadeau
	Superintendent of Restaurant & Golf	Shamberg
	Superintendent of Marketing & Fund Development	Leone
	Superintendent of Parks	Cerutti
	Museum Curator	Gibson
	Recreation and Fitness Manager	Jayne

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Cook led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PRESENTATIONS

Commissioner Cook presented the 2019 photo contest winners to the audience and Board. He thanked all the winners for their participation.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

V. APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

Commissioner Altpeter moved to approve the meeting agenda for the regular meeting for Thursday, January 16, 2020 with an addition of item C under staff reports, Tate Woods School playground discussion. Commissioner Richter seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Altpeter moved to approve consent agenda items A, B, C, D, E and F.

- A. Approve the Minutes of Special Meeting of December 19, 2019.
- B. Approve the Minutes of Regular Meeting of December 19, 2019.
- C. Approve the December January 2020 Voucher List in the amount of \$216,181.85.
- D. Approve the reservation of June 29, 2020 to July 6, 2020 for the annual Eyes to the Skies Festival in Community Park.

- E. Authorize the purchase of one (1) 2020 Chevy Equinox from National Auto Fleet Group, Watsonville, CA in an amount not to exceed \$22,901.62
- F. Award 2020 Routine Turf Maintenance Services to G and G Lawncare, Inc. in the amount of \$4,420 per mow cycle for the 2020, 2021 and 2022 seasons.

Commissioner Richter seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Altpeter, Richter, Olson, Ferron, Cook

Absent: None

Nays: None

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

None.

X. STAFF REPORTS

A. Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Lisle Park District and Lisle Community Unit School District 202 – discussion

Director Garvy stated the memo is in the board packet and he is happy to address any questions or concerns. He said the intent is the agreement will be reviewed on an annual basis due to revenue and overtime fluctuations from year to year.

Commissioner Olson stated he has comfort in the annual renewal but does not want the audit on either end to become too burdensome.

Commissioner Altpeter raised questions regarding the revenue share for circumstances such as using the school for a rain location only and how that affects the revenue percentage that is shared differently than programs consistently housed at a school. Director Garvy replied that it is his belief and understanding that the revenue share would be for programs and activities that are wholly or mostly reliant on school facilities.

B. Strategic Master Plan Development – discussion

Director Garvy stated the memo is in the board packet and he is happy to address any questions or concerns. He reported staff on the review committee is himself, Superintendent Pratscher, Superintendent Leone, Superintendent Silver and Recreation and Fitness Manager Jayne. Commissioner Altpeter and Commissioner Ferron both stated they are interested in being on the committee as well.

C. Tate Woods School – discussion

Director Garvy gave a recap of the Village of Lisle Planning and Zoning Commission meeting from the previous evening. He reported Kindi Academy's legal counsel previously contacted him inquiring about the Park District's willingness to maintain the playground and open space on the school property, to which he reported he replied that the Park District is not interested in maintaining private property and could not readily justify that allocation of resources. He said he had asked about sub dividing the property and giving the playground and adjacent turf area to the Park District but the

owner doesn't appear interested in sub dividing it. Director Garvy stated that the owner is willing to allow unrestricted public access to the park but only if the Park District would assume its maintenance and the accompanying liability. It was pointed out that it is a slippery slope whenever a public entity takes on the responsibility of maintaining private property, even if there is a perceived public benefit.

Commissioner Altpeter said she is concerned with the cost to maintain the private property, the accompanying liability exposure, and stated there is already a park within walking distance to that neighborhood.

Commissioner Olson said he is open to whatever accommodations are within reason, whether a transfer of parcel or long term lease. He stated he would like the District to explore it the best they can. He is surprised that we live in a community where the Planning and Zoning board struggles with a school site that has been operating as a school for decades continuing to be operated a school. He stated he is concerned if the Park District maintains it, what's to stop another private entity with a park or other amenity with a perceived public benefit asking the Park District to maintain it as well. He said he feels there still should be a conversation about it.

Director Garvy said it was brought up at the Planning and Zoning about the drainage tile from the playground daylighting on private property at the fenceline to the east of the school parcel. He said he does not believe that to be true as it was also stated that the existing fence separating the properties is between five and 15 feet onto the school property, so even if the drain tile extends to the fence, it remains on the school parcel by between five and 15 feet. Superintendent Cerutti said he doesn't believe it is on the property line but he will verify once the ground thaws. He said if it was misplaced, the Parks Department will act to rectify it promptly.

Director Garvy recommended that himself, Park District legal counsel, Kindi Academy, and their counsel meet to discuss this in more detail to see if there are any opportunities to work something out.

Commissioner Olson suggested that when Director Garvy meets with counsel that all pertinent facts are pointed out. He believes Planning and Zoning is trying to find reasons not to approve it. He asked if Kindi Academy wants the Park District to maintain the site due to Tort Immunity, to which Director Garvy said he believes that to be the case. He added that the assumption is that their insurance would not cover public use and therefore is the reason they are asking the Park District to step in. He reported tort immunity only applies to property owned or leased by a public body and there would need to be some sort of transfer of ownership or lease agreement.

President Cook asked if and when Kindi Academy takes it over will they fence it off. Director Garvy said he has not had that discussion but believes it would probably be in their best interest.

President Cook stated he feels the park is the number one priority, but he would hate to see the District have to jump through hoops with Planning and Zoning or set a precedent with maintaining private property.

Director Garvy said will meet with both counsels and Kindi Academy and report back to the board. He asked about the willingness of the Park Board to conduct a Special Meeting if needed. The general consensus was yes.

Superintendent Shamberg reported there is a correction to his board report, the compared to year, listed as 2017 should be 2018.

President Cook asked what the "Friends of the Museum" is. Museum Manager Gibson explained the program is sponsorships and donations.

Commissioner Altpeter thanked Recreation and Fitness Manager Jayne for a great job at the Fitness Center.

Commissioner Altpeter asked for an update on the Heritage Society agreement and the new committee set up. Superintendent Pratscher reported he has had communication with Society board member Joe Bennett and is hoping to attend their upcoming meeting to introduce himself to those he has not met and to stress the Park District's continued commitment to the Society and site. He said it is important to get off on the right foot, to get the joint committee formed, a list of key holders and to foster open communication. He said this first meeting will be telling, as it relates to the Society's willingness to comply with the terms of the agreement but he is hopeful we can get off on the right foot.

XI. PARTNERS FOR PARKS REPORT

Superintendent Leone's foundation report is included in the Board Packet

XII. SEASPAR REPORT

The SEASPAR report is included in the Board Packet.

XIII. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President, Commissioner Cook

President Cook reported he attended the Chamber of Commerce State of the Village Luncheon and volunteered at the museum.

B. Treasurer, Financial Reports ending November 30, 2018

Superintendent Silver stated the District's investments are all collateralized or FDIC insured. He reported the District's financial position is comparable to 2018 at this time and the District stayed within budget overall.

C. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Altpeter reported she attended the Chamber of Commerce State of the Village Luncheon, the Partners for Parks board meeting and Itty Bitty New Years. Commissioner Olson reported he volunteered at the museum and thanked staff for their work there. Commissioner Richter attended the Chamber of Commerce State of the Village Luncheon as well.

XIV. Adjourn OPEN MEETING

Commissioner Olson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 pm and Commissioner Richter seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.