



**THE LISLE PARK DISTRICT
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REGULAR MEETING
July 20, 2023**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: President Altpeter called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Director Garvy Called Roll:

Commissioners Present:

Altpeter
Hummel
Wessel

Commissioners Absent:

Dombroski
Tapella

Staff Present:

Director of Parks & Recreation

Garvy

Superintendent of Parks

Cerutti

Superintendent of Recreation

Pratscher

Superintendent of Finance

Silver

Cultural Arts, Rental & Office Manager

Nadeau

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Altpeter led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. PRESENTATIONS

None.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Vitautas Matulyauskas – 6282 Timberview Drive

Mr. Matulyauskas stated the pickleball courts were a bad decision at Abbeywood Park. He said the neighbors never objected to a wall, they objected to the proposed wall saying it would damage the fence and he cited a conversation he had with a sound expert. He said he is disappointed the park district is not willing to mandate the use of quiet paddles, and stated the Lisle Park District's pickleball instructor neglected to report noise would be an issue, that he gave wrong data to staff and has manipulated public opinion. Mr. Matulyauskas said Director Garvy has used delay, distort and distract tactics. He said his wife suffers from fibromyalgia, has noise sensitivity, and if the quiet paddles work as intended, their implementation should be enforced.

Bill Littell – USA Pickleball Ambassador and Lisle Park District Pickleball Instructor

Mr. Littell said he didn't know why he is the subject of Mr. Matulyauskas' ire and a lot of accusations were just made. He said he and the pickleball community are generally supportive of many ideas the neighbors have made and cited some measures already taken. He said in addition, he tries to have his clinic participants play on the court furthest from Mr. Matulyauskas' home when possible, and summarized his experience with the paddle sleeves. He reported they are detrimental to player mechanics and safety because they add spring and velocity, aggravate pre-existing wrist conditions because of their added weight, they are illegal in tournament play, and more. He said they are interested in working with neighbors, but this situation is frustrating for everyone.

Mr. Matulyauskas stood to speak again, and President Altpeter said he already had his five minutes. Mr. Matulyauskas said he is not being treated fairly because he was not given a 30 second warning on his time limit like Mr. Littell received. President Altpeter said he can speak for an additional 30 seconds. Mr. Matulyauskas said Mr. Littell misstated the facts and asked that this issue be put on the next meeting agenda.

Lorraine Krzywosc, 5539 Rainer Drive, Lise

Ms. Krzywosc said the park district has put forth a tremendous effort with this issue and said the paddle sleeve changed the game for her and said it is like putting a pad on a baseball bat or tennis racket. She said enforcement would be a nightmare and a high cost. She said Mr. Littell regularly makes attempts to limit the impact, he informs all clinic participants of the rules, the sign on the fence, and gives reminders of being considerate towards the neighbors. She thanked the park board for all they have done and asked when enough will be enough.

Margarite Matulyauskas, 6282 Timberview Drive

Ms. Matulyauskas said the paddle sleeves might change the game, but pickleball is changing her life and her health. She said they do not open their windows, have put blinds and heavy curtains up, she cannot rest in her bedroom, and goes to the back of the house but noise is unbearable. She said she is developing fibromyalgia, cannot sleep or live peacefully, and the pickleball courts changed her life. She said pickleball can be played anywhere, but this is my house and my life.

VI. APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

Commissioner Hummel moved to approve the meeting agenda for the regular meeting for Thursday, July 20, 2023. Commissioner Wessel seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hummel, Wessel, Altpeter

Absent: Dombroski, Tapella

Motion Passed.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Wessel moved to approve consent agenda items A though E.

A. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of June 15, 2023.

B. Approve the July 2023 Voucher List in the amount of \$596,98.68.

C. Resolution 072023 – A Resolution to approve amendments to the joint agreement for the Southeast Association for Special Parks and Recreation (SEASPAR).

D. OSLAD Grant Program Resolution of Authorization – Tate Woods Park.

E. Award the 2023 Asphalt Pathways Repairs project to Murphy Construction Services from Burr Ridge, IL for an amount no to exceed \$113,060.00.

F. Award the 2023 Asphalt Pathway Sealcoat and Crackfill Maintenance project to Murphy Construction Services from Burr Ridge, IL for an amount not to exceed \$72,635.00.

Commissioner Hummel seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hummel, Wessel, Altpeter

Absent: Tapella, Dombroski

Motion Passed.

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Right-of-Way Encroachment License Agreement Between the Village of Lisle and Lisle Park District – Tate Woods Park/Oldham Avenue Right-of-Way

Commissioner Hummel moved to approve the Right-of-Way Encroachment License Agreement Between the Village of Lisle and Lisle Park District – Tate Woods Park/Oldham Avenue Right-of-Way. Commissioner Wessel Seconded.

There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

X. NEW BUSINESS

None.

XI. STAFF REPORTS

A. Recreation Department: Structure and Strategy Presentation

Superintendent Pratscher presented an update regarding the recreation department's structure and strategy on how to best address the recommendations from the newly adopted strategic master plan, including a multi-year plan for each core program area with revenue projections and tangible steps to achieve the goals of the plan. He reported the plan includes the reassignment of certain responsibilities within the department and the addition of an athletics and fitness manager position, all in an effort to align district resources to best respond to community demand and capitalize on additional non-tax revenue for the park district.

XIII. SEASPAR REPORT

The SEASPAR report is included in the Board Packet.

XIV. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President Altpeter

President Altpeter reported she participated in the annual Kiwanis picnic and thanked Manager Breihan for all her efforts. She said she also attended the July 3rd concert and fireworks and the 4th of July Parade, both of which were very well attended. She said she is planning to volunteer at the remaining concerts and thanked staff for volunteering their time, especially for evening events that sacrifice family time to make the Lisle Park District such a successful organization.

President Altpeter asked if there was any interest from other commissioners in adding pickleball to a future agenda. Commissioner Wessel said he believes the park district has done all it is willing to do at this time and is not interested in having it be an agenda item in the future. Commissioner Hummel said he agrees with Commissioner Wessel. President Altpeter said with no desire to add it to a future agenda, she wants staff to turn its attention to other park district matters including the implementation of the strategic master plan and the Tate Woods Park renovations and grant application. She asked Director Garvy if he understood, to which Director Garvy replied he does.

B. Treasurer, Superintendent Silver

i. Financial Reports ending June 30, 2023

Superintendent Silver reported all park district investments are FDIC insured and/or collateralized. He reported the enterprise fund is doing well with the golf course \$114,000 higher in revenue than the same time last year. He invited the commissioners to a tour at their convenience to show off the terrific course conditions. Superintendent Silver reported the rest of the park district is generally status quo.

Commissioner Hummel asked how the golf course handled the recent rains, to which Superintendent Silver replied it handled it well without any problems. Commissioner Hummel asked about water costs during times of low precipitation, and Superintendent Silver reported the only costs for water are really the pump because course irrigation comes from a well.

C. Commissioners' Reports.

Commissioner Wessel reported he attended the concerts and the 4th of July parade and said the concerts were a lot of fun. He said on a personal note, his son loves Camp Summer Quest, he is amazed with the effort staff puts forth on a daily basis, and he thanked his son's counselor Michelle specifically.

XIV. 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 7:46 pm.