Regular Meeting July 27, 2015

At the call of the President Glen Marcum, the Joliet Park District Board of Commissioners met for a Regular Meeting in the Board Room of the Presence Saint Joseph Inwood Athletic Club, 3000 West Jefferson Street, Joliet, IL. The meeting began at 5:00pm

## Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Gulas.

President Marcum led a moment of silence in memory of Joliet Park District employee Larry Burich's mother, Marilyn Burich.

Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Marcum, Schultz, Broderick, Gould, Gulas

Commissioners Absent: None

A. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 22, 2015 and the Special Meetings of July 13, 2015 and July 14, 2015

A motion was made by Commissioner Gulas, seconded by Commissioner Broderick, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 22, 2015 and the Special Meetings of July 13, 2015 and July 14, 2015. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor Nays: None

# B. Approval of the bills and payroll for the month of June 2015

A motion was made by Vice President Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Mutz, to approve the bills and payroll for the month of June 2015. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor Nays: None

### C. Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2015

Director of Finance Matt Pehle presented the Treasurer's report for the month of June 2015 as follows:

Cash on hand beginning of month:

Total Receipts during month:

S 4,910,851.59

Total Disbursements during month:

Cash on hand end of month:

Total Investments:

S16,108,337.20

Total Cash and Investments:

\$17,886,697.56

Mr. Pehle noted that the operating fund balance at the end was \$2,100,639.24 compared to last year's \$1,988,627.72. The Joliet Park District has received 49% of property taxes and disbursements were down from last year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mutz, seconded by Vice President Schultz, to approve the Treasurer's Report for June 2015. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor Nays: None

## D. Opportunity For The Public To Speak - 3 minute time limit

Joseph Belman thanked the Joliet Park District for how wonderful Desmond Park looked and thanked the Commissioners who came out to Joseph L Belman Field opening day ceremony. Mr. Belman continued to say that the improvements to the park have been great for the community. President Marcum thanked Mr. Belman for all of his work and dedication to the community and the children.

Father Lescher thanked the Board for the work on the Nowell Park Recreation Center design.

#### E. Communications

1. Chief Executive Officer's Correspondence

Dominic Egizio, Chief Executive Officer, informed the Board that the Inwood Golf Course will be hosting an IAPD golf outing for the first time on Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Egizio invited the Commissioners to participate in the outing.

Mr. Egizio informed the Board about the possibility of the property tax freeze and how it would affect the Joliet Park District. Mr. Egizio also stated that there has been discussion in Springfield regarding possible consolidation of local government in Illinois and how it might impact park districts.

## F. Action Items

- 1. Old Business
  - a. Nowell Park Recreation Center Design

A design of the Nowell Park Recreation Center was presented to the Board for a vote. The same design was presentation to the community during Special Meetings on July 13<sup>th</sup> and July 14<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made by Vice President Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Gulas, to approve the Nowell Park Recreation Center design. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor

Nays: None

b. Nowell Park Recreation Center - Construction Manager Contract Mr. Egizio noted that at the March 16, 2015 Special Meeting, the Board approved Mr. Egizio to negotiate a contract, subject to attorney review, with construction manager, Henry Bros. Co. Mr. Egizio presented the Board the final contract for Henry Bros. Co. for the East Side Community Center.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mutz, seconded by Vice President Schultz to approve the Henry Bros Co. contract for the Nowell Park Recreation Center. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor

Nays: None

c. Inwood Indoor Training Facility- Construction Manager Contract Mr. Egizio noted that at the March 16, 2015 Special Meeting, the Board approved Mr. Egizio to negotiate a contract, subject to attorney review, with construction manager, Henry Bros. Co. Mr. Egizio presented the Board the final contract for Henry Bros. Co. for the Inwood Indoor Training Facility.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gulas, seconded by Commissioner Broderick to approve the Henry Bros Co. contract for the Inwood Indoor Training Facility. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor Nays: None

#### 2. New Business

Mr. Egizio informed the Board that he received a letter from the Forest Park Neighborhood Council requesting that the Joliet Park District continue to work on Forest Park. Mr. Egizio introduced Garland Mays, President of the Forest Park Neighborhood Council. Mr. Mays commended the Joliet Park District for the past work on the park. Mr. Mays asked the Board to consider adding a bathroom facility with running water, pavilion and a basketball court. Mr. Mays stated that a basketball court cost \$15,000.00 and his organization has received a

Forest Park – Forest Park Neighborhood Council Request

donation of \$7,500.00. Mr. Mays asked the Joliet Park District to pay the remaining \$7,500.00. Mr. Mays noted that the improvements to the park have made a positive impact on the quality of life in the community and would like to see the improvements continue by the Joliet Park District honoring the three request.

Mr. Egizio stated that there needs to be further review on adding a bathroom before a decision could be made.

A motion was made by Commissioner Broderick, seconded by Commissioner Gulas, to approve matching the donation of \$7,500.00 for two half basketball courts and installing a pavilion. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor Nays: None

#### b. Pilcher Park – Concept for Roads

Mr. Egizio stated that the Joliet Park District has been working on designs for reworking the roads in Pilcher Park. Mr. Egizio introduced Rodney Tonelli from Ruettiger, Tonelli and Associates. Mr. Tonelli presented two options to the Board for the rehabilitation of the Pilcher Park roads. Option One would leave the roads as they are and perform yearly maintenance and repairs to the roads. Option Two would change the one way road in front of the Nature Center to a two way road and then change the one way road behind the Nature Center to a trail. Option Two would be more cost effective because it would eliminate the cost to repair water damage roads. Option two would have some tree impact to widen the road to two lanes. Twenty four trees would need to be removed. Both options included additional parking and security gates.

Residents at the meeting expressed concerns about eliminating the section of the road. There was questions about why the Board did not come out to the community with the plan before a vote was taken. A resident expressed how the trails and roads have been neglected and not maintained.

Lynn Gow, Joliet resident, asked about keeping pavilions and adding additional pavilions. Ms. Gow also agreed that the plans should be brought out to the community.

Mr. Egizio agreed that an additional pavilion should be added to the park.

A motion was made by Vice President Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Broderick, to approve Option 2 for the Pilcher Park road renovation. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor

Nays: None

c. Pilcher Park and Hoberg Tract – LWCF Act 6(f)(3) Boundary Mr. Egizio stated that we are in the final steps for the Hoberg Tract OSLAD Grant application. Mr. Egizio introduced Katie Zaban, Nature Center Superintendent. Ms. Zaban explained that the boundary is for additional protection to the land within the border. The land will only be used for outdoor recreation. Ms. Zaban stated it is the staff's recommendation to accept the Pilcher Park and Hoberg Tract 6(f)(3) boundary.

A motion was made by Commissioner Broderick, seconded by Commissioner Mutz, to approve Pilcher Park and Hoberg Tract 6(f)(3) boundary. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor

Nays: None

Rita Renwick, Illinois Audubon Society, spoke to the Board about the great improvements that are being made to Pilcher Park for now and the future. President Marcum thanked Ms. Renwick for all her work with the Hoberg Tract property.

# d. Collins Street Prison Redevelopment

Mr. Egizio updated the Board on the Collins Street Prison project by presenting drawings of the potential redevelopment. Mr. Egizio noted that he is not asking for a vote at this time. Mr. Egizio asked for comments from the Board to see if the Joliet Park District is still interested in participating. The Board felt that there is still a lot of work that needs to be done before the Joliet Park District would be open to participate. Mr. Egizio said that he will keep the Board informed of any updates.

#### e. Committee Appointments

# 1. Policy

President Marcum stated that the Policy Committee with be developing park board policies. This committee is similar to other park districts.

A motion was made by Vice President Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Gulas, to form a Policy Committee. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor

Nays: None

President Marcum appointed Commissioner Broderick and Commissioner Gulas to the Policy Committee.

## 2. Joliet Regional Airport

President Marcum appointed Commissioner Mutz and Vice President Schultz to the Joliet Regional Airport Committee.

#### 3. Joliet Park Foundation

President Marcum appointed Commissioner Gulas to serve with him on the Joliet Park Foundation Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mutz, seconded by Vice President Schultz, to approve the committee appointments. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: All in favor

Nays: None

#### G. Board Comment

- 1. Committee Report
  - a. Joliet Park Foundation

The minutes of the May 13, 2015 Joliet Park Foundation meeting were submitted to the Board.

President Marcum informed the Board that the Moonlight Golf Outing is Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at Inwood Golf Course.

### b. Joliet Regional Airport

Commissioner Broderick stated that the Joliet Regional Airport Festival is Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Egizio informed the Board that the Airport Festival will be trying something new this year by including food trucks.

Commissioner Mutz thanked everyone for all their hard work on the Taste of Joliet.

President Marcum commended Terry Keigher, Director of Recreation, and Josh Barry, Superintendent of Recreation, on a great job with the City Tournament.

Commissioner Schultz recognized the staff for an excellent job with the Sundowner 5k.

Mr. Egizio stated that the stadium light project should be completed by August 20<sup>th</sup>.

Joe Hammer, Ruettiger, Tonelli and Associates, updated the Board on the traffic light project. The completion of the project will be mid-August to the end of August.

H. Executive Session: Pending Litigation; Executive Session Meeting Minutes Review At 6:38pm, a motion was made by Commissioner Gulas, seconded by Commissioner Broderick, to suspend the Regular Meeting and move into Executive Sessions to discuss Pending Litigation and Executive Session Meeting Minutes Review. The motion unanimously carried.

#### I. Action from Executive Session

At 6:44pm, a motion was made by Commissioner Gulas to keep all Executive Session meeting minutes closed. Her motion was seconded by Vice President Schultz and it unanimously carried.

### J. Adjournment

At 6:45pm, with all agenda items discussed, a motion was made by Commissioner Mutz, seconded by Vice President Schultz, to adjourn the meeting. The motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Talarico Board Secretary