

Regular Meeting

August 28, 2023

A. Call to Order & Pledge to the Flag

At the call of the President, Sue Gulas, the Joliet Park District Board of Commissioners met for a Regular Meeting in the Board Room of the Inwood Athletic Club, 3000 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, IL. The meeting began at 5:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

B. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Mutz, Perez, Raasch, Tatro, Gulas

Commissioners Absent: None

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

When given the opportunity to comment no one from the public came forward to address the Board.

D. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session of July 24, 2023 and the work session of August 1, 2023

A motion was made by President Gulas, seconded by Commissioner Mutz, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session of July 24, 2023 and the work session of August 1, 2023. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Mutz, Perez, Raasch, Tatro

Nays: None

E. Approval of the bills and payroll for the month of July, 2023

A motion was made by President Gulas, seconded by Commissioner Raasch to approve the bills and payroll for the month of July, 2023 in the amount of \$1,752,056.60. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Raasch, Perez, Mutz, Tatro

Nays: None

F. Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2023.

Glenn Kelley, Director of Finance, gave the Treasurer's report for the end of month of July 2023 as follows:

Cash on hand beginning of month:	\$	9,767,475.49
Total Receipts:	\$	18,142,229.02
Total Disbursements:	\$	16,117,214.81
Cash on hand end of month:	\$	9,875,883.51
Total Investments:	\$	7,484,077.18

Total Cash & Investments: \$ 17,359,960.69

Vice President Tatro made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2023. Commissioner Perez seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Tatro, Perez, Raasch, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

#### G. Communications

##### 1. POS Presentation - Namscorp

Mr. Barry Hutchings, Executive Director of Namscorp explained that Namscorp has been working with the Joliet Park District for approximately 8 years. Namscorp is a Chicago/Oak Brook based technology company with an emphasis on customer service. Eighty percent of their business is in Chicagoland, they see their clients weekly and can arrive in 20-30 minutes for service calls. Namscorp developed a POS system approximately 1.5 years ago, it is on its second version. NamsPOS is cloud based system with many built in modules. Chris Bell, our Namscorp representative expressed that he brings technology and solutions to merchants. NamsPOS works with almost any device, it is an app that will work on a variety of hardware. This is not a typical POS, it is fully customizable, it is easy to use, it is IPAD driven, it has full till management, fully EMV compliant, accommodates a non-cash adjustment that is certified by VISA/MC, and it tracks inventory. Support for NamsPOS starts at the beginning with setting up the program. Hardware is the Park District's choice. The system allows tips. Mr. Bell discussed their collaboration with Sportsman, our existing software, in making the payment process work more smoothly.

##### 2. Executive Director Correspondence

Mr. Brad Staab, Executive Director, has received quotes for the painting of the Joliet Regional Airport, the price is a little high so Mr. Staab is working to reduce the and expects painting to start soon after Airport Fest. The project should be complete in 3 weeks.

Mr. Staab thanked staff for great summer camps at Pilcher Park Nature Center, Nowell Park Recreation Center and the Kathy Green Multi-Purpose Center. Both the campers and their parents were happy. Good luck to Katie Zaban, Nature Center Superintendent and to Karen Cooper, Recreation Superintendent at the Kathy Green Multi-Purpose Center as their Pre-schools are starting.

The Parkwood Park dedication that was scheduled for August 12 was rained out and has been re-scheduled to occur on September 16, 2023 at 1:00PM.

##### 3. Staff Reports

Mr. John Ekstrom, Director of Parks/Golf Grounds updated the board on the Inwood Drive project at Inwood Golf Club with recommendation from the engineer to do this project in the spring with the parking lot project.

Mr. Ekstrom informed the board that the irrigation design for both Inwood Golf Club and Woodruff Golf Club is done. The irrigation designer is currently working on the appropriate sprinkler heads for each location.

Mr. Ekstrom mentioned that the Barber & Oberwortmann Horticultural Center remodeling is progressing, staff is currently working on duct work and electrical work.

Mr. Ekstrom explained that Inwood Golf Club would be aerated next week providing the weather cooperates.

Mr. Ekstrom mentioned that he met with Jay Darnell regarding dugouts at the Harlow Lockwood Softball Fields and is working with Robert Talarico, Athletic Superintendent, with regard to scheduling the project.

Mr. Glenn Kelley, Director of Finance, informed the Board that all of the cameras have been delivered. The only cameras remaining to be installed are at the Joliet Regional Airport and Nowell Park Recreation Center, both of these locations should be completed by the end of the week. There is a camera on the scoreboard at Joliet Memorial Stadium facing the skate park. The next area to address with cameras is the Park Services facility where some vandalism has occurred.

Mr. Kelley updated the board on our POS system. Namscorp gave a presentation earlier this evening. Commissioner Perez brought another vendor, Toast in for a meeting last week. Mr. Kelley intends to have three quotes and a recommendation later this fall.

Ms. Teri Talarico, Director of Operations, informed the Board that the bid opening for the HVAC de-humidification unit for the pool will be Wednesday. This was delayed as language in the bid documents needed to be amended to include the Will County ARPA funds.

Ms. Talarico announced that Inwood Athletic Club starts their membership sale this Friday.

Ms. Talarico mentioned that Gloria Dollinger, Nutritionist, is offering Fall Nutrition classes. The first in the series booked to capacity, the room was change to allow more people to attend and that is also booked with a waiting list.

Ms. Talarico announced that Rise and Ride will take place on September 24<sup>th</sup> starting between 8:00 and 9:00AM, this is a bicycle ride through Pilcher Park, starting and ending at the Pilcher Park Nature Center.

Ms. Talarico informed the board that the Inwood Athletic Club Fitness team is currently working on their fall marketing and programming; Love the gym you're in(wood). The team is collaborating with Emediate Cure and the Inwood Athletic Club marketing will be displayed on the screens in Emediate Cure locations.

Ms. Talarico updated the board on the Pilcher Park Nature Center Little Sprouts Early Learning Center, their morning classes are full for both fall and spring and the afternoon classes have a few openings. Their parent and tot classes are close to being full. The bid opening for the exterior renovation at the Pilcher Park Nature Center will be Wednesday September 20<sup>th</sup> with that information coming back to the Board in September.

Lastly, the Park District met with Wright Construction Services to review the bid information for the chillers and rubber flooring for the Ice Arena project. These bids should be published next week.

Mr. Staab gave the Director of Recreation report and thanked Laura Brumfiel, Recreation Superintendent and Casey O'Connell, Recreation Superintendent for providing their information. Sunshine and Rainbows Learning Center begins Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> with the All School Meet & Greet. Scholastic Book Fair is the week of September 25<sup>th</sup>. Touch a Truck is scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>. At Nowell Park Recreation Center, Kids at Hart before/after school program has 39 participants. Camp Bravehart ended with summer with 112 campers. The Nowell Fitness center has 394 current members and rentals have begun being scheduled. At the Joliet Memorial Stadium, T-ball just finished with a successful season this past Saturday. Fall soccer will start September 9<sup>th</sup> with 325 participants registered and Joliet Catholic Academy's first home football game is this Friday.

#### H. Action Items

##### 1. Old Business

There was no old business.

##### 2. New Business

- a. Intergovernmental Agreement between Joliet Township Government and Joliet Park District for the lease of Joliet Park District Hartman Recreation Center

Mr. Staab stated that the lease is for a term of 6 months with a rental amount of \$15,000.00 per month. Mr. Staab feels this will be good for both Joliet Township Government and the Joliet Park District. The Joliet Township Government needed the building because they have limited space in their current location.

President Gulas made the motion to accept the Intergovernmental Agreement between Joliet Township Government and Joliet Park District for the lease of Joliet Park District Hartman

Recreation Center pending final legal approval. Commissioner Mutz seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Mutz, Perez, Raasch Tatro

Nays: None

I. Board Comment

1. Committee Report

a. Joliet Park Foundation

President Gulas reported the next Joliet Park Foundation meeting is September 13<sup>th</sup>.

2. Joliet Regional Airport

Commissioner Raasch reported that Jennifer McFarland, Airport Superintendent has communicated with the City of Joliet regarding the 3-story U-Haul proposal located in the flight pattern. The City of Joliet agrees that this cannot be approved without FAA approval.

President Gulas mentioned the Concert in the Park and the Porch in Park Fest, for which we provide the park and garbage cans, were both great events. President Gulas thanked Ms. O'Connell, on a great job with the Concerts in the Park this year. President Gulas has visited the Barber & Oberwortmann Horticultural Center and progress has been made.

Commissioner Perez thanked Ms. O'Connell and her team for offering an excellent summer camp. His daughter attended camp this summer and gave it raving reviews.

J. Executive Session: The Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of a Specific Employee or Legal Counsel for the Park District; Purchase or Lease of Real Property for the Use of the Park District, Including Meetings Held for the Purpose of Discussing Whether a Particular Parcel Should be Acquired; The Setting of a Price for Sale or Lease of Property Owned by the Park District; Pending Litigation; Probable or Imminent Litigation

At 5:55pm, a motion was made by President Gulas, seconded by Vice President Tatro, to go into Executive Session per the Open Meeting Act to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee of the Park District, Section 2(c)(1); to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the Park District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired, Section 2(c)(5); to discuss the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the Park District, Section 2(c)(6); and, to discuss pending litigation or probable or imminent litigation, Section 2(c)(11). The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Tatro, Raasch, Mutz, Perez

Nays: None

At 6:38pm, a motion was made by Commissioner Mutz and seconded by President Gulas, to reconvene to Open Session. The motion was carried as follows:

Ayes: Mutz, Gulas, Perez, Raasch, Tatro

Nays: None

K. Adjournment

With all agenda items discussed, a motion to adjourn was made by President Gulas. The motion was seconded by Vice President Tatro, and it carried unanimously. The time was 6:38pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Kasprisin  
Recording Secretary