

Regular Meeting
July 27, 2020

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 led by Commissioner Tatro.

B. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Paul, Tatro, Clement, Gulas

Commissioners Absent: Jobe-Gavin

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

When given the opportunity for the public to speak, no one came forward to address the Board.

D. Approval of the Minutes of Regular Meeting of June 22, 2020

A motion was made by President Gulas, seconded by Commissioner Tatro, to approve the minutes of Regular Meeting of June 22, 2020. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Paul, Tatro, Clement

Nays: None

Absent: Jobe-Gavin

E. Approval of the bills and payroll for the month of June 2020 - \$1,432,266.71

A motion was made by President Gulas, seconded by Commissioner Jobe-Gavin, to approve the bills and payroll for the month of June 2020. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Tatro, Paul, Clement

Nays: None

Absent: Jobe-Gavin

F. Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2020.

Lisa Banovetz, Director of Finance & Human Resources, gave the Treasurer's report for the month of June 2020 as follows:

Cash on hand beginning of month:	\$ 597,658.96
Total Receipts during month:	\$ 4,854,327.54
Total Disbursements during month:	\$ 1,184,331.62
Cash on hand end of month:	\$ 2,933,071.67
Investments during month:	\$ 5,684,913.93

Ms. Banovetz noted that out of the total receipts for the month of June, 4.4 million was from the tax levy.

President Gulas made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2020 as

presented. Vice President Clement seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Clement, Paul, Tatro
Nays: None
Absent: Jobe-Gavin

G. Communications

1. Executive Director Correspondence

Executive Director Mr. Staab thanked and commended all staff for the past four months and the challenges they faced due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

2. Staff Reports

Terry Keigher, Director of Recreation, noted that there are twenty children enrolled in summer camp at Nowell Park Recreation Center and the Nowell Park fitness center has 470 memberships.

Mr. Keigher announced that Toy Story 4 will be shown at Inwood Park on Friday, July 31.

Mr. Keigher stated that there are 125 children in the summer camps at the Kathy Green Multi-Purpose Center.

Mr. Keigher updated the Board on the remote learning at the local school districts and how that is affecting the park district programs.

Mr. Keigher announced that another Concert in the Park was scheduled on October 2.

Mr. Keigher stated that softball and kickball leagues started with 64 teams and there are four teams for a little league program.

John Ekstrom, Director of Parks & Golf Grounds, stated that there was a hand rail installed at the West Park disc golf course.

Mr. Ekstrom informed the Board that Katie Zaban, Nature Center Superintendent, and he participated in a Zoom meeting with Will County Department of Transportation regarding a Gougar Road expansion project. The first phase would be from Rt. 6 to Francis Rd., which is near Woodruff Golf Course and the Bird Haven Greenhouse and Horticultural Center. Mr. Ekstrom will keep the Board posted as details are known.

Mr. Ekstrom updated the Board on the Grove Road Phase II project. The pavilion is being installed followed by the playground.

H. Action Items

1. Old Business

a. Approval of Workers Compensation Settlement Agreement

Agenda item, Approval of Workers Compensation Settlement Agreement, was moved to after the Executive Session.

2. New Business

- a. Approval of Construction and Use Agreement between the Joliet Park District and Redbirds Baseball, Inc. – Inwood Sports Complex

President Gulas made a motion to table agenda item, Approval of Construction and Use Agreement between the Joliet Park District and Redbirds Baseball, Inc. – Inwood Sports Complex, until the next Board meeting. Commissioner Paul seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Paul, Tatro, Clement

Nays: None

Absent: Jobe-Gavin

- b. Bids

1. Award of Inwood Softball Fields (Turf) Project – Hoppy’s Landscaping, Inc. – \$764,566.00

President Gulas made a motion to table agenda item, Award of Inwood Softball Fields (Turf) Project – Hoppy’s Landscaping, Inc. – \$764,566.00, until the next Board meeting. Commissioner Tatro seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Tatro, Paul, Clement

Nays: None

Absent: Jobe-Gavin

I. Board Comments

President Gulas thanked park district staff on behalf the Park Board of Commissioners for all the adjustments and hard work dedicated to managing all the programs and facilities according to the Covid-19 regulations and guidelines.

President Gulas announced that the Joliet Park Foundation will hold the Moonlight Golf Scramble on September 12. President Gulas noted that the event will only hold the golf portion of the event due to the Covid-19 restrictions and guidelines.

President Gulas stated that the Concert in the Park on July 17 was a success. The weather and band were great and people were spread out acknowledging everyone’s “personal space”.

President Gulas thanked Park Services for the installation of the fence near the Dock at Inwood’s patio.

President Gulas read two correspondence from Amanda Moretti and Sue Bornhofen praising the Sunshine & Rainbow staff on a successful graduation event.

Vice President Clement stated that he received a call from an Inwood Athletic Club (IAC) member regarding closing the IAC for a few days after a member tested positive to COVID-19. The member commended staff on how they handled the situation and was impressed that she received an email and a personal phone call.

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 5:21pm a motion was made by President Gulas, seconded by Vice President Clement, 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, Clement, Tatro, Paul
Nays: None
Absent: Jobe-Gavin

K. Reconvene to Open Session

At 6:23pm a motion was made by President Gulas and seconded by Commissioner Tatro, to reconvene to Open Session. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Tatro, Paul, Clement
Nays: None
Absent: Jobe-Gavin

L. Action from Executive Session

President Gulas made a motion to approve the Workers Compensation Settlement Agreement as presented. Vice President Clement seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Gulas, Clement, Tatro, Paul
Nays: None
Absent: Jobe-Gavin

There was a brief discussion regarding the Rat Hockey program and how it will be scheduled according to the COVID-19 guidelines and regulations.

M. Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Talarico
Recording Secretary