

Regular Meeting

April 26, 2021

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 Clement.

B. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Tatro, Paul, Jobe-Gavin, Clement, 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 March 22, 2021

A motion was made by Commissioner Tatro, seconded by Commissioner Paul, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session of March 22, 2021. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Tatro, Paul, Jobe-Gavin, Clement, Gulas

Nays: None

E. Approval of the bills and payroll for the month of March 2021 - \$1,752,878.96

A motion was made by Commissioner Jobe-Gavin, seconded by Vice President Clement, to approve the bills and payroll for the month of March 2021. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Jobe-Gavin, Clement, Paul, Tatro, Gulas

Nays: None

F. Treasurer's Report for the month of March 2021.

Brad Staab, Executive Director, gave the Treasurer's report for the end of month of March 2021 as follows:

Cash on hand beginning of month:	\$	143,488.97
Cash on hand end of month:	\$	1,145,785.25
Total Investments:	\$	3,816,719.51
Total YTD Receipts:	\$	11,061,598.31
Total YTD Expenditures:	\$	13,766,550.25

Commissioner Paul made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of March 2021. Commissioner Jobe-Gavin seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Paul, Jobe-Gavin, Tatro, Clement, Gulas

Nays: None

#### G. Communications

##### 1. Steve Jamnik, Busey Bank

It was noted that Director of Finance & Human Resources Lisa Banovetz initiated an investment review of the Joliet Park District. Steve Jamnik, Bret Peterson, and Taylor Morgan from Busey Bank presented to the Board what services Busey Bank can offer. There was a discussion on fees and corporate bonds. Mr. Staab stated that staff will make a recommendation to the Board in the next few months regarding the Joliet Park District investment accounts.

##### 2. Executive Director Correspondence

Executive Director Brad Staab announced that a small group of staff celebrated Kathy Green Multi-Purpose Center's full-time custodian Kevyn Felker on his retirement. Mr. Felker served the Joliet Park District for over 30 years. Mr. Staab thanked Mr. Felker for his dedication and service.

Mr. Staab informed the Board that staff sent a letter to Joliet Township Government Supervisor, Dan Vera, requesting a \$10,000 donation for the Hartman Recreation Center. Staff is hoping to hear back from Mr. Vera tomorrow.

Mr. Staab thanked Director of Recreation Terry Keigher, Recreation Superintendent Casey O'Connell, and other recreation staff members for pitching in and helping with the Inwood Sports Complex, Mission Blvd. fields, Joliet Memorial Stadium and athletic programs. Mr. Staab noted that park services is building two ticket booths for the baseball/softball fields. Mr. Staab thanked Park Services for all their work at the baseball/softball fields.

Mr. Staab announced that Bird Haven Greenhouse will host the plant sale this weekend and thanked the fulltime staff who are volunteering to help with the sale.

##### 3. Staff Reports

John Ekstrom, Director of Parks & Golf Grounds, thanked Park Services for all their work at the Inwood Sports Complex. Park Services has worked many hours getting the facility ready for the baseball tournaments. It was stated that the pile of dirt will be removed early next week.

Mr. Ekstrom announced that park mowing has begun and aeration will be completed at Wedgewood Golf Course on Wednesday, April 28.

Mr. Ekstrom stated that speed bumps will be installed at Pilcher Park. This will help with vehicles speeding through the park.

On behalf of Terry Keigher, Director of Recreation, Mr. Staab gave the following report: Recreation registration is up however staffing has been difficult. Possibly due to the current unemployment benefits and other establishments paying more per hour than the Park District, there has been less seasonal employees returning and fewer applications. Staff continues to reach out to the community to fill the positions.

Vice President Clement inquired about the pot holes in the main Inwood Complex parking lot. It was noted that staff is aware and they are waiting for the material to fill the holes.

Commissioner Tatro commended staff on how great the baseball/softballs fields look. Mr. Tatro has heard positive comments from the public. Mr. Tatro did request staff to look into accommodations for the umpires and to look into adding a second entrance to the Inwood Sports Complex so the east stadium parking lot can be used to accommodate all the vehicles. There was a discussion regarding vehicles driving too fast through the parking lot.

#### H. Action Items

##### 1. Old Business

There was no old business.

##### 2. New Business

###### a. Approval of First Amendment to Naming Rights Agreement – ATI Physical Therapy

Mr. Staab stated that ATI Physical Therapy has agreed to renew their Naming Rights Agreement for the Inwood Athletic Club for another five years. It was noted that the agreement does not include the Joliet Memorial Stadium, which will be a loss of \$70,000 each year for five years. It was stated that staff is working on another naming rights options for the Joliet Memorial Stadium.

Commissioner Tatro made a motion to approve First Amendment to Naming Rights Agreement with ATI Physical Therapy. Vice President Clement seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Tatro, Clement, Paul, Jobe-Gavin, Gulas

Nays: None

###### b. Approval of Third Amendment to Lease Agreement – ATI Physical Therapy

Mr. Staab presented the Third Amendment to the Lease Agreement with ATI Physical Therapy for the physical therapy space inside the Inwood Athletic Club. The agreement will extend the lease for another five years. Mr. Staab stated that ATI Physical Therapy has been a great partner with the Joliet Park District.

Commissioner Paul made a motion to approve Third Amendment to Lease Agreement with ATI Physical Therapy for the physical therapy space in the Inwood Athletic Club. Commissioner Jobe-Gavin seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

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

c. Resolution 21-202 - Approval of First Amendment to Board Policy Manual  
Mr. Staab noted that there are some revisions to the Board Policy Manual. Attorney Steve Adams stated that revisions were made to add rationale to the Commissioners' activity section. It was noted that no new activities were added and explained that no one from the public/residents are displaced due to Commissioners' activities.

Commissioner Paul made a motion to approve First Amendment to Board Policy Manual.  
Commissioner Jobe-Gavin seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

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

#### H. Board Comment

Vice President Clement stated his last meeting as a Park Board Commissioner is in May and commented how it has been a great four years and thanked staff for the phenomenal work they do.

President Gulas commended the Inwood Golf Manager Brian Legan, staff, and volunteers on a successful Adult Easter Egg Hunt. This was the first normal event since closing due to Covid-19.

President Gulas thanked all staff for pitching in and helping to make sure the Inwood Sports Complex was ready for the baseball and softball season. The bar hours were discussed and it was noted that the bar is open whenever there is a game going on, which is almost every day through the summer.

President Gulas thanked Mr. Staab for all his work including working the Joliet Catholic Academy football game.

President Gulas stated that there was concern about renaming the Harlow Lockwood Softball Fields. It was confirmed that the facility will not be renamed.

Commissioner Tatro inquired why the Inwood Athletic Club (IAC) does not offer the Silver Sneakers Program. Staff stated that they have been in contract with Silver Sneakers and Silver Sneakers recommended not offering the program at this time. Stating that with the extra amenities IAC offers and the cap amount that IAC would receive from the program would be a substantial financial loss to the Park District. It was noted that the Nowell Park Recreation Center does offer the Silver Sneakers program and is seeing many participants.

1. Committee Report

a. Joliet Park Foundation

No Report.

b. Joliet Regional Airport

No Report.

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 5:45pm, a motion was made by President Gulas, seconded by Commissioner 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, Jobe-Gavin, Paul, Clement

Nays: None

K. Reconvene to Open Session

At 6:04pm, a motion was made by Commissioner Tatro and seconded by Commissioner Paul, to reconvene to Open Session. The motion was carried as follows:

Ayes: Tatro, Paul, Jobe-Gavin, Clement, Gulas

Nays: None

L. Action from Executive Session

There was no action.

M. Adjournment

With all agenda items discussed, a motion to adjourn was made by President Gulas. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tatro, and it carried unanimously. The time was 6:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Talarico  
Recording Secretary