

Regular Meeting
August 28, 2017

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: Clement, McGuire, Tatro, Mutz and Gulas

Commissioners Absent: None

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 and Executive Session of July, 24 2017 and Special Meeting of July 31, 2017

A motion was made by Commissioner Tatro, seconded by Commissioner Clement, to approve the Minutes of Regular Meeting and Executive Session of July, 24 2017 and Special Meeting of July 31, 2017. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Tatro, Clement, McGuire, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

E. Approval of the bills and payroll for the month of July 2017 - \$2,927,505.17

A motion was made by Commissioner Clement, seconded by Commissioner McGuire, to approve the bills and payroll for the month of July 2017 in the amount of \$2,927,505.17. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Clement, McGuire, Tatro, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

F. Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2017.

Matt Pehle, Director of Finance, gave the Treasurer's report for the month of July 2017 as follows:

Cash on hand beginning of month:	\$ 2,045,669.84
Total Receipts during month:	\$ 2,364,630.50

Total Disbursements during month:	\$ 2,881,859.54
Cash on hand end of month:	\$ 1,528,440.80
Total Investments:	\$15,747,595.20
Total Cash and Investments:	\$17,276,036.00

Mr. Pehle noted that the Operations Fund is \$1,545,458.73 compared to last year's balance of \$1,905,521.66.

Commissioner McGuire made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2017. Commissioner Tatro seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Ayes: McGuire, Tatro, Clement, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

G. Communications

1. Executive Director Correspondence

Tom Carstens, Executive Director, updated the Board on the Nowell Park Recreation Center. The Bath House demolition is scheduled for September 5 and the groundbreaking ceremony will be September 9, 2017.

Mr. Carstens stated that the closing for the Hoberg property was three weeks ago. A copy of the deed needs to be mailed to Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) in order to process the grant money.

Mr. Carstens updated the Board on the status of the sale of the Wedgewood Golf Course property. The contract should be signed this week.

Mr. Carstens reminder the Board that the Marquette Gardens Park playground ribbon cutting is scheduled for Thursday, August 31.

2. Staff Reports

Mr. Staab, Deputy Director, thanked all the staff for all their hard work. Mr. Staab noted that this summer has been one of the busiest summers that the Park District has had.

Larry Burich, Director of Planning/Parks, updated the Board on the Pilcher Park Phase II project. The completion date is tentatively scheduled for October 1, 2017.

Mr. Burich stated that the Thomas Jefferson School playground and Jennifer Ann Voots playground at Carl Sandburg School are almost complete. They are waiting on the pour n' place surface. Also, the bridge at Inwood Park has been replaced with a culvert and concrete has been poured over it to connect the path.

Terry Keigher, Director of Recreation, informed the Board that Casey O'Connell, Recreation Superintendent, is leading a group of 32 travelers to Vermont, New Hampshire. This is part of the Long Distance Trips program offered by the Recreation Department.

Mr. Keigher stated that there are 200 children registered for the Before and After School program at the Multi-Purpose Center and Hartman Recreation Center. Schools that participate are St. Paul's, Taft, Carl Sandburg, Forest Park, Sator Sanchez, and Pershing. Troy School District transports their students to the Multi-Purpose Center from some of their schools.

Sunshine & Rainbows Learning Center has 197 children registered. The first day of school is September 6.

Ted Brodeur, Director of Revenue Facilities, stated that with the sale of the Wedgewood property, hole 6 will need to be renovated. Once the contract is signed for the sale of the property, the Park District will go out to bid for Wedgewood Golf Course Phase 1 – hole 6.

Mr. Pehle noted that staff will be starting the 2018 budget.

Mr. Pehle updated the Board on the State of Illinois replacement tax estimates. The Joliet Park District has budgeted the replacement tax conservatively.

H. Action Items

1. Old Business

- a. Approve the Naming of the Hartman Recreation Center Activity Room the Ben Moreno Activity Room

President Gulas stated that at the July 24, 2017 Board Meeting, there was a motion to table this agenda item so the new Commissioners had more time to review the naming of the Hartman Recreation Center Activity Room. President Gulas ask if there was a motion to approve the naming of the Hartman Recreation Center Activity Room the Ben Moreno Activity Room.

There was no motion so the matter dies due to lack of motion.

2. New Business

- Approve Ordinance #813 – Establishing Prevailing Wages effective September 1, 2017

Mr. Pehle stated that the state reviewed the Prevailing Wages and updated the rates to be effective September 1, 2017.

Commissioner Tatro made a motion to approve Ordinance #813 – Establishing Prevailing Wages effective September 1, 2017. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Clement and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Tatro, Clement, McGuire, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

- b. Approve Park Board Commissioners' Travel Expense – September 26-28 NRPA Conference – New Orleans, LA

Commissioner Clement made a motion to approve Park Board Commissioners' travel expense for September 26-28 NRPA Conference. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Tatro and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Clement, Tatro, McGuire, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

- c. Request to Rename Oak Valley Park to Semaj Crosby Park – 90 Day Public Notice Posting

President Gulas noted that the Park District was presented with a petition to rename Oak Valley Park to Semaj Crosby Park at its July 24, 2017 regular meeting. Per the Park District's policy for naming parks, the next step is to publicly advertise the request and provide information on when the request will be considered by the Park Board.

President Gulas stated that the notice will be posted at Oak Valley Park. After the notice period, the matter will be placed on a future agenda for Park Board consideration as specified in the notice. It was noted that it has been the precedent to post a notice for public comment and awareness.

Commissioner Clement made a motion to direct staff to post a 90 day Public Notice for the request to rename Oak Valley Park to Semaj Crosby Park. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Tatro and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Clement, Tatro, McGuire, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

For the benefit of the public, President Gulas briefly explained a section of the Park Naming Policy. The Park Board retains full authority with regard to naming parks. When the proposed park name is in honor of a person, the person shall have: demonstrated a continued commitment to the Joliet Park District; or made an exceptional contribution to civic betterment, locally, nationally or internationally. The Board's job is to determine whether the

proposed name change should be approved based on the criteria. The Board will evaluate and decide on the request based on the criteria after the public advertisement period has been completed.

d. Award of Contract

1. Joliet Regional Airport Engineer Three Year Contract –
Hanson Professional Services, Springfield, IL

Commissioner McGuire made a motion to approve staff to move forward and develop a three year contract with Hanson Professional Services for the Joliet Regional Airport Engineer. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Clement and it carried as follows:

Ayes: McGuire, Clement, Tatro, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

I. Board Comment

1. Committee Report

- a. Joliet Park Foundation

President Gulas highlighted two Foundation events; Glen Marcum Moonlight Golf Scramble and Blues & Brews on Rt. 66. President Gulas noted that both events were successful and thanked staff (Teri Talarico, Ted Brodeur, Brian Legan and Jodi Brooker for Moonlight Golf Scramble and Teri Talarico for Blues & Brews).

- b. Joliet Regional Airport

Commissioner Tatro stated that the next committee meeting was cancelled and the next meeting is on September 6, 2017.

President Gulas commended Casey O'Connell on Concerts in the Park. The last concert was the biggest crowd ever and it was a perfect night.

President Gulas thanked staff for a successful Legislative Picnic that was held on August 26.

Vice President Mutz commended staff for a successful June and specifically thanked Park Services and staff that worked on the Inwood Athletic Club during the week closing.

Commissioner McGuire acknowledge the golf course staff for running successful golf outings.

Commissioner Clement also thanked the golf course staff for the success of the FOP Golf Outing along with acknowledging staff for all their hard work on the Inwood Athletic Club, specifically power washing the sidewalks around the building.

- J. Executive Session: The Setting of a Price for Sale or Lease of Property Owned by 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 Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of a Specific Employee or Legal Counsel for the Park District; Pending Litigation; Probable or Imminent Litigation

At 5:27pm a motion was made by Commissioner Tatro, seconded by Commissioner McGuire, to go into Executive Session for the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of a Specific Employee or Legal Counsel for the Park District 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1); 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 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5); the Setting of a Price for Sale or Lease of Property Owned by the Park District 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6); Pending Litigation or Probable or Imminent Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11). The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Tatro, McGuire, Clement, Mutz, Gulas
Nays: None

- K. Reconvene to Open Session

At 5:54pm a motion was made by Commissioner Tatro and seconded by Commissioner McGuire, to reconvene to Open Session. The motion unanimously carried.

- L. Action from Executive Session

No action was taken.

- M. Adjournment

With all agenda items discussed, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Tatro. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Clement and it carried unanimously. The time was 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Talarico
Recording Secretary