

Regular Meeting  
February 22, 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 Paul.

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 Special Meeting of January 13, 2021, Regular Meeting and Executive Session of January 25, 2021 and Special Meeting of February 1, 2021

A motion was made by Vice President Clement, seconded by Commissioner Paul, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of January 13, 2021, Regular Meeting and Executive Session of January 25, 2021 and Special Meeting of February 1, 2021. The motion carried as follows:

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

Nays: None

E. Approval of the bills and payroll for the month of January 2021 - \$3,833,837.37

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

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

Nays: None

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

Lisa Banovetz, Director of Finance & Human Resources, gave the Treasurer's report for the end of month of January 2021 as follows:

Cash on hand beginning of month:	\$	1,025,345.90
Total Receipts:	\$	617,996.31
Total Disbursements:	\$	3,466,715.24
Cash on hand end of month:	\$	528,535.09
Total Investments:	\$	4,476,169.41

Ms. Banovetz noted that there were bond payments, which increased expenditures for the month of January.

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

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

#### G. Communications

##### 1. Executive Director Correspondence

Executive Director Brad Staab informed the Board that the Inwood Athletic Club and Nowell Park Recreation Center will kick off the Donate Your Weight program on March 1. For every pound lost, one dollar will be donated toward the sponsorship of a mobile pantry from the Northern Illinois Food Bank.

Mr. Staab stated that a committee will begin planning the Joliet Park District's 100 anniversary, which will begin in 2022.

Mr. Staab noted that there are two naming rights agreement with ATI Physical Therapy for the Inwood Athletic Club and the Joliet Memorial Stadium. ATI confirmed that they are interested in renewing the agreements for another five years.

Mr. Staab stated that staff is working on a Request for Proposals for catering services at the Barber & Oberwortmann Horticultural Center. The current contract with Cutting Edge was extended for one year and will expire December 31, 2021.

Mr. Staab congratulated Donald Dickinson who will retire on February 26, 2021 after working at the park district for 30 years.

Mr. Staab publicly thanked Church Street Brewing Company. The company recently donated \$672 worth of hand sanitizer for the park district to use at the facilities.

Mr. Staab thanked Ms. Banovetz for all her work on the bond rating process. The Joliet Park District's bond rating went up based on the proactive decisions that the park district made during the COVID-19 pandemic. Last year the rating was BB- and went up to a stable rating.

Mr. Staab thanked Park Services and staff who worked on snow removal. It was noted that there was over twenty-three inches of snow in February.

##### 2. Staff Reports

Terry Keigher, Director of Recreation, announced that the Channahon Park District Board decided to continue the SRJC relationship with the Joliet Park District. A contract will be brought to both boards for approval. Commissioner Clement suggested sending a thank you note to the Channahon Park District Board for continuing the partnership.

John Ekstrom, Director of Golf Grounds & Parks, thank Park Services for their hard work on the snow removal.

Mr. Ekstrom stated that the Inwood Sports Complex project continues. The backstop poles will be installed next week.

H. Action Items

1. Old Business

There was no old business.

2. New Business

a. Approval of Ordinance #841 – Cash Contribution in Lieu of Land – Timber Pointe

Mr. Staab stated that the agreement is for cash contribution in lieu of land at Timber Pointe development in the amount \$185,000. It was noted that Ed Mattox waived the requirement on how the funds should be used per the City's land cash ordinance. All monies contributed may be used by the District to offset any expenditures related to public recreation with no restrictions.

President Gulas made a motion to approve Ordinance #841 – Cash Contribution in Lieu of Land for the Timber Pointe development in the amount of \$185,000. Commissioner Tatro seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

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

Nays: None

I. Board Comment

1. Committee Report

a. Joliet Park Foundation

No Report.

2. Joliet Regional Airport

No Report.

President Gulas thanked Park Services for their work on the Inwood Sports Complex concession stand. She stated that it is very exciting to see the progress and the community it talking about the new addition.

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 5:17pm, 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, Paul, Jobe-Gavin, Clement

Nays: None

K. Reconvene to Open Session

At 5:49pm, a motion was made by President Gulas and seconded by Commissioner Tatro, to reconvene to Open Session. The motion was carried as follows:

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

Nays: None

L. Action from Executive Session

There was no action.

The Board briefly discussed the gaming license for Wedgewood and Inwood Golf Club and what signatures and information is needed to renew the license. It was agreed that staff and the park district attorney would look into the requirements and reach out to board members once information was known.

M. Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Talarico  
Recording Secretary