

Regular Meeting

July 24, 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 Mutz.

B. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Clement, McGuire, Tatro, Mutz and Gulas

Commissioners Absent: None

There was a moment of silence for Kathy Green, SRJC/Recreation Superintendent, who passed away on Monday, June 26, 2017.

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

Amy Sanchez, 1616 Stratford Court, came before the Board and made a request that the Board consider and approve renaming Oak Valley Park, located in the Preston Heights neighborhood at Zarley Blvd. and Walden St. in Joliet, IL, to Semaj Crosby Park. Ms. Sanchez stated that Semaj Crosby was a 16 month old infant who was found deceased on April 26, 2017. Ms. Sanchez informed the Board that Semaj's death brought together the community and the impact of the infant's death reached State level by possibly changing legislation intended for DCFS to better protect children like Semaj Crosby.

President Gulas stated that the Board would take the request into consideration. It was noted that Board Secretary Tom Carstens took physical ownership of the petition, to rename Oak Valley Park to Semaj Crosby Park, in excess of 500 signatures.

D. Approval of the Minutes of Special Meeting of June 13, 2017 and Regular Meeting of June 19, 2017

A motion was made by Commissioner Clement, seconded by Commissioner McGuire, to approve the Minutes of Special Meeting of June 13, 2017 and Regular Meeting of June 19, 2017. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Clement, McGuire, Tatro, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

E. Approval of the bills and payroll for the month of June 2017 - \$2,169,165.68

A motion was made by Commissioner Tatro, seconded by Commissioner Mutz, to approve the bills and payroll for the month of June 2017 in the amount of \$2,169,165.68. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Tatro, Mutz, McGuire, Clement, Gulas

Nays: None

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

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

Cash on hand beginning of month:	\$ 67,901.40
Total Receipts during month:	\$ 5,490,688.98
Total Disbursements during month:	\$ 3,512,920.54
Cash on hand end of month:	\$ 2,045,669.84
Total Investments:	\$16,660,923.66
Total Cash and Investments:	\$18,706,593.50

Mr. Pehle noted that the Operations Fund is \$2,062,684.22 compared to last year's balance of \$2,265,776.11. The Operations Fund is down over \$200,000.00 due to the property tax schedule however June was the most successful June that the Park District has had in several years.

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

Ayes: Clement, Tatro, McGuire, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

G. Communications

1. Executive Director Correspondence

Tom Carstens, Executive Director, stated that Taste of Joliet was a huge success and weather was great. Mr. Carstens recognized staff for the outstanding work and execution of the event along with the Commissioners who volunteered. Mr. Carstens also recognized Brad Staab for the great job in selecting the entertainment.

2. Staff Reports

Mr. Staab, Deputy Director, thanked all the departments, with a Special mention to Park Services, for the hard work during the month of June. Mr. Staab also thanked the Board for their support.

Larry Burich, Director of Planning/Parks, updated the Board on Pilcher Park Phase II. All roads that were able to get paved are complete, the completion and installation of the bridges is not definite at this time and staff is looking into power supply to the security gates.

Mr. Pehle noted that the State approved a budget which included an increase to the income tax.

Mr. Carstens noted that Terry Keigher, Director of Recreation, has been working closely with staff since the passing of Kathy Green.

H. Action Items

1. Old Business

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

Mr. Carstens stated that a request was brought to the Board in September 2016 to recognize Ben Moreno in some way for his work with the boxing program. At the March 27, 2017 Regular Meeting staff recommended that the Hartman Recreation Center Activity Room be named the Ben Moreno Activity Room. However, per the Joliet Park District's *Naming of Park Property, Facilities and Features Located within the Parks Policy*, a public notice of the naming of the Activity Room needs to be posted for 90 days for public comment.

Commissioner Clement made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Tatro, to table agenda item to "Approve the Naming of the Hartman Recreation Center Activity Room the Ben Moreno Activity Room" so the new Board has time to gather information and consider the request. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Clement, Tatro, McGuire, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

2. New Business

Resolution #17-184 – Social Media Policy

Mr. Carstens informed the Board that the Joliet Park District does not have a Social Media Policy for the District's current social media channels like Facebook and Instagram. The policy will be a disclaimer for all the District's social sites.

Vice President Mutz made a motion to approve Resolution #17-184 – Social Media Policy. His motion was seconded by Commissioner McGuire and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Mutz, McGuire, Clement, Tatro, Gulas

Nays: None

- b. Bid & Award of Contract – 2017 West Park Renovation – Burla Construction, Inc. – \$897,601.25

Mr. Burich stated that this was the second time that the project went out to bid. Staff's Recommendation is to award the project to Burla Construction, Inc., for the base bid amount of \$897,601.25.

Commissioner Clement made a motion to approve Staff's recommendation and award the project to Burla Construction, Inc., for the base bid amount of \$897,601.25. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Tatro and it carried as follows:

Ayes: Clement, Tatro, McGuire, Mutz, Gulas

Nays: None

I. Board Comment

1. Committee Report

a. Joliet Park Foundation

President Gulas informed Board that the Foundation's Taste of Joliet 50/50 Raffle was successful, although no one has claimed the prize as of today.

President Gulas stated that the Foundation's Glen Marcum Moonlight Golf Scramble is August 5. The cost to golf is \$75 or wine and beer tasting - Happy Hour is \$25. Also mentioned was the Foundation's Blues and Brews event on August 12, 2017.

b. Joliet Regional Airport

Commissioner Tatro stated that the next committee meeting is on August 2, 2017.

The Board commended staff, volunteers and the sponsors for a very successful Taste of Joliet.

President Gulas and Commissioner Clement thanked staff for an outstanding job with the Sundowner and stated that there were many positive comments regarding the new course for the Sundowner. President Gulas noted that Donna Gale, Fitness Coordinator, wanted to specifically thanked Park Services for all of their hard work in preparing for the race.

- 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 5:32pm 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 5:56pm a motion was made by Commissioner Clement and seconded by Commissioner McGuire, to reconvene to Open Session. The motion unanimously carried.

L. Action from Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

M. Adjournment

With all agenda items discussed, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Tatro. His motion was seconded by Commissioner McGuire and it carried unanimously. The time was 5:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Talarico
Recording Secretary