

Regular Meeting
October 26, 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 Paul.

B. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Paul, Gulas
Present Remotely: Tatro, Jobe-Gavin, Clement
Commissioners Absent: None

Note: In responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and most recent positive cases, the Joliet Park District is addressing the important responsibility to limit circumstances that might allow for the spread of the COVID-19 virus while fulfilling our obligation to comply with the transparency and openness requirements of the Open Meetings Act. Due to the size of the conference room and essential staff attending, the in-person attendance requirement for members of the Joliet Park Board of Commissioners is suspended and commissioners may attend by remote participation via computer or phone using the Zoom application.

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

No public comment was received by email, written submission, or in person.

D. Approval of the Minutes of Regular Meeting and Executive Session of September 28, 2020

A motion was made by President Gulas, seconded by Commissioner Paul, to approve the minutes of Regular Meeting and Executive Session of September 28, 2020. The motion carried as follows:

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

E. Approval of the bills and payroll for the month of September 2020 - \$1,092,158.36

A motion was made by President Gulas, seconded by Vice President Clement, to approve the bills and payroll for the month of September 2020. The motion carried as follows:

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

F. Change Orders and Agreements

1. FieldTurf USA, Inc. – Inwood Sports Complex Turf Project – \$78,207.73

2. Hoppy's Landscaping, Inc. – Inwood Sports Complex Turf Project – \$197,750.00

Brad Staab, Executive Director, informed the Board that the change orders are to increase the size of the arch on the six infields for the Inwood Sports Complex turf project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Paul, seconded by Commissioner Tatro, to approve the change orders for FieldTurf USA and Hoppy's Landscaping as presented. The motion carried as follows:

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

G. Treasurer's Report for the month of September 2020.

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

Cash on hand beginning of month:	\$ 692,807.34
Total Receipts during month:	\$ 21,010,463.12
Total Disbursements during month:	\$ 16,567,758.71
Cash on hand end of month:	\$ 489,987.40
Investments during month:	\$ 9,737,847.81

Commissioner Paul made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of September 2020 as presented. Commissioner Jobe-Gavin seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

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

H. Communications

1. Executive Director Correspondence

Brad Staab, Executive Director, announced that the park district will receive \$2.50 per capita from the Cares Act Fund, which was determined by the Will County Board Ad Hoc Committee. Mr. Staab stated that this is very good news however it does not cover all of the park district's COVID-19 expenses and revenue loss of three million dollars. Staff will continue to work with Will County and other sources for additional funding.

The Board was updated on the Timber Pointe property. Two appraisals have been ordered, which will be paid by Ed Mattox and his company. Once the appraisals are received, the cash in lieu of land donation will be determined and brought to the Board.

2. Staff Reports

Terry Keigher, Recreation Superintendent, stated the Athletic Superintendent Blaine Kline and Mr. Keigher are meeting with current Inwood Sports Complex (ISC) renters/users to go over the new schedule for 2021, which includes Primetime Tournaments. It was noted that long term renter, Frank Walz, who organizes the girls' fast-pitch league, will no longer be able to use the ISC due to scheduling conflicts.

Mr. Keigher announced that Karen Cooper, Recreation Superintendent, organized a trunk and treat event that was well attended. Special thanks to Park Services and Marcia Hurley, Bird Haven Greenhouse Horticultural Coordinator, for participating in the event.

John Ekstrom, Director of Parks & Golf Grounds, stated that the construction on the ISC fields continues. It was noted that FieldTurf will be coming at the end of the week to begin the installation of the new turf.

Mr. Ekstrom updated the Board on the Bird Haven Greenhouse Renovation project (Museum Grant). The first scope of work will be the replacement of the ceiling glass in the Ron Dodd Showroom. The glass will be completed before the Poinsettia Show begins.

Mr. Ekstrom stated that the playground at Grove Road Park (OSLAD Grant) will be completed in spring 2021.

I. Action Items

1. Old Business

There was no Old Business

2. New Business

a. Approval of Tyler Technologies Contract

Ms. Banovetz stated that the Tyler Technologies program will be used for finance and payroll. The program is cloud based, which will be more efficient than paper and will allow staff to work from home during the pandemic if there is another stay at home order.

Vice President Clement made a motion to approve the Tyler Technologies contract pending attorney's review and approval. Commissioner Tatro seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

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

Nays: None

b. Ordinance No. 838 – Providing for the Levying, Assessment, and Collection of Taxes for the Year 2020

Ms. Banovetz noted that the District is levying just under 5% in the amount of \$6,494,229.00. Since the amount is under 5% the publication and hearing of Truth in Taxation is not necessary.

Commissioner Paul made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 838 – Providing for the Levying, Assessment, and Collection of Taxes for the Year 2020. Vice President Clement seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

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

Nays: None

J. Board Comments

President Gulas noted that due to the loss revenue and expenses from the pandemic, Mr. Staab, Ms. Banovetz and Ms. Talarico have been working endlessly with Will County on the CARES ACT funding and other sources for financial relief for the District. President Gulas encourage all Commissioners to reach out to the Will County board members and express our concerns about the state of the Joliet Park District.

K. 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

There was no Executive Session.

L. Reconvene to Open Session

There was no Executive Session.

M. Action from Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

N. 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 5:32pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Talarico
Recording Secretary