

**GRAYSLAKE COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT
PARK BOARD MEETING**

July 17, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Ryan. Upon roll call the following were:

PRESENT: Commissioners Kennedy, Larson, Lashbrook, Powell, Rodas, Ryan, Toth. Staff: Splitt, Regnier, VanZant. Guest Andrew Payne. Board Recording Secretary Shari Raven.

MOTION: by Powell that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the July 17, 2019 Park Board Meeting Agenda as presented. Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Splitt introduced Andrew Payne of Tressler LLP, the district's new legal counsel who were appointed at the May 15th Annual Park Board meeting. Board Members welcomed Andrew to the district.

MOTION: by Larson that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the Consent Agenda to include the Payment of Bills and Payroll from 6/20/19 thru 7/17/19 in the amount of \$472,816.22 and approval of the June 19, 2019 Park Board Meeting Minutes. Second by Lashbrook. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Board discussed the staff recommendation for the 2019 Friends of the Park Award. Charlotte Renehan is a lifelong resident of Grayslake and the president of the Grayslake Historical Society, has always been a strong supporter of the Park District. Charlotte was instrumental in the Park District's current exhibit at the Heritage Museum. "Where the Fun Grows, 60 Years of the Grayslake Community Park District". Charlotte has worked with staff to organize and provide special events, trips and programs to the Park District for many years; she even was an employee of the Park District during her teenage years working at summer camps and running arts and crafts programs. We feel she is the most deserving of this award for her continued support and commitment to the community and to the Grayslake Park District.

MOTION: by Rodas to award the 2019 Friends of the Park Award to Charlotte Renehan. Second by Powell. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Board Members reviewed the final updated plan that the district will be submitting for an OSLAD Grant based on our last meetings discussion. The plan is currently on display at the Rec Center as well as at the Library and we are asking the public for their feedback. Dana has also posted the plan on our website as well as on social media.

Our goal is to have the application completed and sent to the DNR by August 9th. All applications are due no later than 5:00pm on August 19th.

The board reviewed the report of the Executive Director.

Splitt stated she has been notified by the Village that they are working with the Alter group to bring a water main down Alleghany Rd. The watermain would be located along the western portion of Alleghany Park. The Alter group will be putting together a draft of an easement agreement within the next 4-6 weeks. Construction is anticipated to begin in the spring of 2020.

Splitt and Regnier will be meeting with State Representative Sam Yingling on Monday, July 22nd to tour our facilities and parks to discuss the Park Districts future needs.

The Chamber's annual Summer Days parade will be held on Saturday, August 17th. The parade will begin promptly at 6:30pm from the Grayslake Central High School parking lot. This year's theme is "Celebrating Summer in Grayslake". Board Members should let Splitt know if they can attend.

SRACLC'S annual golf outing will be held on Thursday, September 12th at Steeple Chase Golf Club in Mundelein. Shotgun start will begin promptly at 12:30pm. Board Members should let Splitt know if they can attend.

The board reviewed the report of the Superintendent of Recreation.

The annual family picnic and fireworks event was successful even with the heat. The entire staff did a great job. Food and business vendors have been sent an event survey which we hope to receive feedback to improve the event. Next year's event is scheduled for Saturday, June 27, 2020.

Tryouts for the 2020 Pride Travel Softball teams will be taking place at the end of July/beginning of August. We are hoping to field teams for a variety of age groups. Pride Boot Camp will also be held the last 2 weeks of July which prepares the girls for actual tryouts.

Regnier stated we've enlisted help from Parker, the Park and Rec Monkey, to help us celebrate National Park Rec Month. Parker has been visiting Grayslake parks to highlight all the fun and games in our parks. We have been promoting IPRA's Unplug Illinois Campaign by encouraging people to step away from their screens and head outside.

The Park District will be partnering with SRACLC again to offer the Birdie Buddies event on Thursday, August 15 from 5:30-8:00pm. This unique golf outing pairs a member of the community with a Special Olympic golfer for the fun 9-hole scramble

event located at the Grayslake Golf Course. We are in need of community golfers for this event.

Regnier stated that June was a very busy month at the golf course with the launch of their new website www.grayslakegolfcourse.com. The course had 1,762 rounds played this month.

Upcoming Golf Tournaments: Summer Medley on Saturday, August 10 and Birdie Buddies on Thursday, August 15.

The board reviewed the report of the Superintendent of Parks.

Vocke stated they recently repaved the bike path/trail at Sunrise Park. The park is completely done and open to the public.

The board reviewed the Finance Report.

VanZant stated that our property tax collections to date have totaled 47% of the budget and distributed across funds for which a tax was levied. The auditors have completed the 2018-2019 fiscal year-end audit and should have the draft prepared by the end of the month.

Ryan announced the August 21, 2019 Park Board Meeting will be at 7:00pm.

MOTION: by Larson to adjourn at 7:30pm. Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Adjourned 7:30pm.

Ray Larson, Secretary
Board of Commissioners