

**GRAYSLAKE COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT  
PARK BOARD MEETING**

June 16, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by President Ryan. Upon roll call the following were:

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Deal, Kennedy, Larson, Lashbrook, Rodas, Ryan, Toth. Staff: Splitt. (Absent: Regnier, VanZant) Guest: Michele Bauman. Board Recording Secretary Shari Raven.

**MOTION:** by Deal that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the June 16, 2021 Park Board Meeting Agenda as presented. Second by Kennedy. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted “aye” No nays. Motion passed.

Ryan introduced guest Michele Bauman, the newly elected Avon Township Supervisor. She is looking forward to promoting an intergovernmental relationship with the Park District and other governmental municipalities going forward. The board congratulated her on her new position.

**MOTION:** by Larson that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the Consent Agenda to include the Payment of Bills and Payroll from 05-20-21 thru 06-16-21 in the amount of \$408,084.66, approval of the May 19, 2021 Budget & Appropriation Hearing Minutes, The May 19, 2021 Park Board Meeting Minutes as well as the May 19, 2021 Annual Park Board Meeting Minutes. Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted “aye” No nays. Motion passed.

Each year the district nominates a community member, community group, volunteer or employee who has provided outstanding service or volunteer work for the district/community for the annual prestigious friends of the park award. The staff has discussed it and would like to nominate the following community member for this year’s award. Mary Klees is the Grayslake resident who spearheaded the idea of creating a bike share program back in 2017 and remained dedicated to seeing this program come to life in Grayslake. Mary put an extreme amount of time and energy into this idea and if it wasn’t for her vision, dedication and hard work, Splitt doesn’t believe that this program would exist in our community.

**MOTION:** by Rodas that the Park Board of Commissioners award the 2021 Friends of the Park Award to Mary Klees. Second by Lashbrook. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted “aye” No nays. Motion passed.

The board reviewed the report of the Executive Director.

The annual golf outing benefit supporting SRACLC will be taking place on Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at Steeple Chase Golf Club. Board Members should let Splitt know if they can attend.

The annual Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing will be taking place on Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup> at Noon at Stonewall Orchard Golf Club. The Chamber will be sponsoring our Family Picnic/Fireworks event again this year for \$4,000.

Splitt had a meeting with legal counsel Tressler on June 17<sup>th</sup> to receive a status report on the attorney review of our personnel policy. She is hoping to present to the board at the July Park Meeting.

Splitt has not received any additional correspondence from the representative from North Bridge Church in Antioch regarding the land donation. They were looking to donate the property located at the NW corner of Washington and Lancer Lane adjacent to Valley Forge Park. Splitt will keep the board updated going forward.

Splitt reviewed the Superintendent of Recreation report in lieu of Regnier's absence.

Splitt stated the Summer Fun 2021 Camp Season is in full swing. Registration is continuing to be strong and campers are enjoying their outings to the pool and around town.

The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual George Weinert Fishing Derby was held on Saturday June 5, 2021. It was a huge success with 130 fishermen in attendance. The event had 3 sponsors: Ortho Specialist of Lake Co, Better Homes and Gardens and the Weinert Family which helped to provide t-shirts, breakfast, raffle prizes and trophies.

Our annual family picnic and fireworks will be taking place on Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup> from 3-10pm. Currently we have 12 food vendors with Light the Lamp and Glunz Family Winery attending this year's event. This year we will be hosting two bands: Vinyl Goldmine from 5-7pm and Goo Roo's from 7:30pm-9:30pm.

Splitt stated that staff is excited to welcome Mr. Paul Price as the Park District's new Marketing and Communication Specialist. Paul has been with the Park District for 3 years. Paul is currently leading Smart Start Golf, Jr. Golf Camp, and has coached In-House basketball team for two seasons. Paul has been working with the village on their digital platform and is currently President of the Grayslake Art Alliance.

June begins the season of Jr. Golf league, lessons, and camps.

Upcoming Golf Tournaments:

Red, White & Blue on Saturday July 19<sup>th</sup>

Birdie Buddies- August 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:30am-8:00pm at the Golf Course.

The board reviewed the report of the Business Manager.

The auditors, Lauterbach & Amen will begin the preliminary audit on July 14-15. The final draft of the audit will be available October 15, with final approval at the November Board Meeting.

VanZant stated that one year after the COVID stay at home order, the front office is still closing at 5pm weekdays and is closed on Saturdays and we will continue to monitor the need and adjust appropriately.

Ryan stated the July 21, 2021 Park Board Meeting will be at 7:00pm.

**MOTION:** by Larson to adjourn at 7:20pm. Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Adjourned 7:20pm

Ray Larson, Secretary  
Board of Commissioners