

GRAYSLAKE COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT PARK BOARD MEETING

January 19, 2022

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

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

MOTION: by Kennedy that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the January 19, 2022 Park Board Meeting Agenda as presented. Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted “aye” No nays. Motion passed.

MOTION: by Toth that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the Consent Agenda to include:

-The Payment of Bills and Payroll from 11-18-21 thru 01-19-22 in the amount of \$603,241.60

-Approval of the November 17, 2021 Park Board Meeting Minutes

-Approval of the December 15, 2021 Special Board Meeting Minutes

-Approval of but not public release of the December 15, 2021 Closed Session Minutes

-Approval of the IAPD Conference Travel/Training Expense Summary

Second by Kennedy. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted “aye” No nays. Motion passed.

Splitt reviewed for Board Members the proposed IGA with District 46 for the Joint Use of Facilities and Fields.

Some of the key points of the IGA include:

-There will be no fees charged for either party for use of buildings and grounds.

-The agreement will be for 5 years.

-The agreement will cover our affiliates as well as SRACLC if they ever needed to utilize the school facilities.

-It covers all liability coverage requirements and indemnification aspects.

The Board of Education and D46 will be reviewing the IGA in early February with possible approval at their February 16th meeting. Splitt will bring this back for approval at the February 16th Park Board Meeting pending legal review.

Board Members reviewed the pay request #2 from Evans & Sons Blacktop, Inc. for a total of \$25,739.93 for the Central Park Pickle Courts Project. This pay request covers the fencing that was completed in November. The project is over 80% complete with the remainder of the project set to be completed in the spring.

MOTION: by Rodas that the Park Board of Commissioners approve pay request #2 from Evans and Son Blacktop, Inc. for a total of \$25,739.93 for the Central Park Pickle Ball Courts Project. Second by Deal. Upon roll call all park Board Members voted “aye” No nays. Motion passed.

The board reviewed the report of the Executive Director.

The district will be sending 5 staff and 1 board member to attend the IAPD/IPRA Annual State Conference which will be taking place at the Hyatt Regency Chicago on Thursday-Saturday, January 27-29.

The district received its annual \$1,500 loss control award for maintaining excellence in our loss prevention efforts from our most recent risk management review. Regnier has done an excellent job with overseeing our risk management and the PDRMA required trainings and other requirements.

Splitt and VanZant have been working with legal counsel throughout the past 9 months on updating our Personnel Policy Manual. They will be putting together an executive summary of the major changes and present the draft to the board at the February 2, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Grayslake resident, Jill Koch has purchased the district a new Little Free Library to replace the one in Central Park. Grayslake resident, Kris Hartman and her family have agreed to “adopt” the LFL and keep it stocked with new books throughout the year. In addition, Kris has volunteered to refurbish the old LFL that is currently in Central Park and then we are going to place that one at Cullen Park later this spring. This is a wonderful amenity to add to our parks as many residents utilize it.

The district has recently updated their Covid protocols and guidelines for both employees and participants to align with the new CDC and IDPH guidelines for isolation and quarantine time.

The board reviewed the report of the Superintendent of Recreation.

Regnier stated that the Summer Camp Program Guide is in development and will be posted online on February 8. Staff are currently working on Spring programming since that program guide will be online as of March 8.

The 24th Annual Daddy Daughter Dance will be hosted at Maravela's Banquet Facility on Saturday, January 29. Currently there are 72 young ladies that are registered with their dads to dance the night away.

In terms of web traffic, the average number of monthly users, new users, sessions and page views has all increased by double digits. This increase can be attributed to the following two categories: Social Media and Email Marketing.

The Golf Course and the Clubhouse are closed until the end of February. We will have two season pass promotions, New Year's Special the beginning of January and the second special in mid-March.

Splitt reviewed the Superintendent of Park's report.

Maintenance staff has been busy clearing the West Trail Natural Area of Buckthorn and any other evasive species. The area next to be cleared is some willows taking over an area of Creekside wetland.

Staff has been re-painting and repairing all picnic tables. Fixed all sets of wood bleachers, repainted frames and replaced all boards. Repainting and repairing all wood garage cylinders.

The board reviewed the report of the Business Manager.

VanZant stated that 58% of the fiscal year has passed as of the end of December. Property Tax revenues are as expected. Program revenue is very strong considering the uncertainty of COVID.

Ryan announced the February 2, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting will be at 7:00pm. The February 16, 2022 Park Board Meeting will be at 7:00pm.

MOTION: by Larson to go into Executive Session at 7:24pm for the purpose of land sale/acquisition as per section 206 of 5 ILCS 120/1 (C)(5). Second by Kennedy. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

MOTION: by Larson to go back into Regular Session at 8:09pm. Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

MOTION: by Deal to adjourn at 8:10pm. Second by Kennedy. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Adjourned 8:10pm.

Ray Larson, Secretary
Board of Commissioners