

**GRAYSLAKE COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT  
PARK BOARD MEETING**

April 19, 2023

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. Guest: Liz Wiczer. Board Recording Secretary Shari Raven.

**MOTION:** by Deal that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the April 19, 2023 Park Board Meeting Agenda as presented. Second by Kennedy. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted “aye” No nays. Motion passed.

Comments from the public: Resident Liz Wiczer asked questions about the Alleghany Park Bike Path, Jones Island and School District 46.

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

-The Payment of Bills and Payroll from 3-16-23 thru 04-19-23 in the amount of \$330,588.03

-Approval of the March 15, 2023 Park Board Meeting Minutes

-Approval of the IAPD Legislative Conference Travel & Training Expense Summary

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

Board Members reviewed the draft of the meeting schedule from June, 2023 through May, 2024. Splitt proposes to keep the meeting schedule the same as the past fiscal year. The board would hold their regular monthly board meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month (excluding December) and would schedule 2 Committee of the Whole (COW) meetings in November and May. If additional meetings are needed the board can decide to schedule them on an as needed basis through a public notice. This will be brought back to the board meeting in May for board approval.

Board Members reviewed the 1<sup>st</sup> draft of the proposed FY 2023/2024 Budget.

The budget went on public display on April 17<sup>th</sup> at the Administrative front office. As per the law, the budget does need to be on public display for 30 days prior to the Budget and Appropriation Hearing which is scheduled for 6:45pm on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

A more detailed fund by fund report will be provided for the May COW meeting where the budget will be discussed in more detail.

Board Members reviewed the resolution recommending the transfer of \$250,000 from the Recreation Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund. This transfer was budgeted for and will be used to pay the debt service loan for the purchase and renovation of the new maintenance facility.

**MOTION:** by Deal that the Park Board of Commissioners approve Resolution R23-01 for the Transfer of Fund Balances as presented. Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted “aye” No nays. Motion passed.

The board reviewed the report of the Executive Director.

Splitt reminded board members to please complete their statement of economic interest. This must be completed no later than May 1st or the district will be fined.

Splitt spoke with Mike Ellis recently and he stated that the Village has received approval from IDOT to move forward with the bike path plans to Alleghany Park. The Village will be finalizing the engineering plans this year and the bike path is slated for Construction in 2024.

The Parks department has completed their move into their new facility. The two remaining punch list items should be completed in the next couple of weeks. The final paving is scheduled for next Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup> and the Fire Alarm Annunciator panel should be arriving by the first week in May. Once both of those items are complete, Hezner will apply for final occupancy with the Village.

The board reviewed the report of the Superintendent of Recreation.

Regnier stated that Registration for summer programs begins May 9<sup>th</sup>.

Spring registration has been strong with 49% of our programs running at over 46% capacity per program. As expected little soccer league, t-ball are very popular along with volleyball. Parent Tot, Early Childhood and Youth Sports have excellent registration numbers. Staff are preparing for dance recital, preschool graduation, concessions to open and summer staff trainings to begin.

### **Upcoming Events:**

George Weinert Fishing Derby: Saturday, June 10 from 8-10am at Jones Island Park  
Bourbon & Wine Golf Outing at Grayslake Golf Course: Friday, May 12, Tee Times 1pm & 4pm  
Summer Kick-Off Dance: Wednesday, June 21 from 12-2pm at Jones Island  
Taste of Grayslake: Saturday, June 24 from 3-10pm at Central Park

Splitt reviewed the Superintendent of Parks report in lieu of Vocke's absence. The Aquatic Bathroom/Concession Building area floors were re-done back in February with a 25 year warranty.

Last week the drain, stone, and 180 yards of mulch were installed at Chesapeake Landings Playground. Staff will be finishing up the rest of the mulch, restoration, seed and straw blanket in the next week or two.

The board reviewed the report of the Business Manager.

VanZant stated that as of the end of March 83.33% of the fiscal year is complete. Misc. revenue is over budget due to one-time nonrecurring return of Net Position from PDRMA. Program revenue is at 108% of budget YTD due to unexpected pent up demand after COVID.

VanZant mentioned the new Fifth Third P-Card rebate for 2022 was \$358.41 which is equal to 1.21% of our total spend since the district started using the card in October 2022. These funds will be dedicated to fund the Park District's Grant-in-Aid program that provides financial assistance to aid families who are unable to participate in park activities due to lower income, illness in the family, unexpected and temporary debt situations, etc.

**MOTION:** by Deal to go into Executive Session at 7:20pm for the purpose of: Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes as per Section 206 of 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(21). Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Executive Session 7:20pm

**MOTION:** by Larson to go in Open Session at 7:25pm. Second by Kennedy. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

**MOTION:** by Kennedy to release the following closed session minutes: October 20, 2022. All other minutes on file will remain closed and all audio recordings older than 18 months can be destroyed. Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Ryan announced the May 3, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting will be at 7:00pm. The May 17, 2023 Annual Park Board Meeting will be at 7:00pm.

**MOTION:** by Kennedy to adjourn at 7:27pm. Second by Rodas. Upon roll call all Park Board Members voted "aye" No nays. Motion passed.

Adjourned 7:27pm.

Ray Larson, Secretary  
Board of Commissioners