

**Park District of Franklin Park  
Board of Park Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, January 24, 2017; Community Center  
MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

President O'Connell called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Physically Present: Commissioners Gilbert Hagerstrom, Michael A. Vonesh, Susan E. O'Connell, Mark K. White and Joseph E. Zinga.

Also Present: Maria Laskowski, Human Resources Manager; Stephanie Bersani, Superintendent of Finance & Technology; Jackie Iovinelli, Superintendent of Recreation; JoAnne Donoulis, North Park Manager; Kevin Meyers, Ice Arena Manager; Nathan Wick, Superintendent of Parks and Thomas Hoffman, Attorney.  
Absent: Joseph D. Modrich, Director of Parks & Recreation and Crystal Gromala, Communications & Marketing Manager.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Additions, Corrections and Deletions to the Agenda**

No additions, corrections or deletions were made to the Agenda.

**Presentation / Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated December 13, 2016**

Motion #1 by Commissioner Vonesh, second by Commissioner White to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated December 13, 2016.

Manager Laskowski stated that Secretary Signature Name was incorrect and has already made correction.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners Hagerstrom, yes; Vonesh, yes; O'Connell, yes; Zinga, yes; Zinga, yes. Motion carried.

**Presentation / Approval of Manual Bill Listing dated December, 2016 in the amount of \$268,011.86**

Motion #2 by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner Zinga to approve the December, 2016 Manual Bill Listing in the amount of \$268,011.86.

The Manual Bill listings were reviewed.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners Vonesh, yes; O'Connell, yes; White, yes; Zinga, yes; Hagerstrom, yes. Motion carried.

**Presentation / Approval of System Bill Listing dated January, 2017 in the amount of \$110,540.29**

Motion #3 by Commissioner Hagerstrom, second by Commissioner Zinga to approve the January, 2017 System Bill Listing in the amount of \$110,540.29.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners O'Connell, yes; White, yes; Zinga, yes; Hagerstrom, yes; Vonesh, yes. Motion carried.

**Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

### **Reports of Officers and Commissioners**

Commissioner Hagerstrom shared his sympathies with Superintendent Iovinelli on passing of her father-in-law. He also commented that Sunset Property looks good.

President O'Connell stated that she appreciates the opportunity to go to conference. She attended a lot of great sessions and the closing session was very good.

### **Recess for Public Comment at 7:10 p.m.**

President O'Connell recessed for Public Comment at 7:11 p.m.

No public comment.

### **Reconvene at 7:12 p.m.**

President O'Connell reconvened at 7:12 p.m.

### **Staff Reports:**

#### *Director*

Director Modrich is doing well. Staff will report on his behalf on items on the Agenda.

#### *Ice Arena*

Manager Meyers reported that he has been busy inputting information into the database for new software. Staff is also working on the budgets. Hockey season is coming to an end with playoffs being scheduled in February. A discussion was held regarding the Jersey Bid information he shared with the Board. Commissioner Zinga just feels that it seems odd that no matter who is in Pro Shop, they always get the bid. Commissioner Hagerstrom stated that in that business no one will try to come and take their business.

President O'Connell asked if the Special Needs Competition was well attended. Manager Meyers reported that there were some really good players on the sled hockey team this year. Commissioner Zinga commented on the nice job on new platform for awards.

#### *North Park*

Manager Donoulis reported that Cook County has been using the Sports Arena for the last eight years for Election Training. This year they are booked for 40 hours.

Manager Donoulis thanked the Board for allowing her to attend the conference. It was a good weekend for her to getaway and staff was able to handle the Dance Rentals all weekend.

Manager Donoulis commented that both Fire Department Retirees on our Board are champions of the Park District. They have supported North Park with holding their retirement parties there. She thanked them publicly. Commissioner Vonesh thanked Manager Donoulis and her staff for their work for the party. A great time was had by all and he appreciates it.

#### *Superintendent of Parks*

Superintendent Wick reported that staff has been catching up with picking up parks due to the nicer weather. He is working on budgets and overseeing projects. He spoke with several contacts at the conference regarding projects we are working on so we can proceed with bid packets.

Commissioner Zinga asked if we have looked into HVAC for the Sunflower Nature Center. Superintendent Wick stated that Manager Menolascina is looking into different options.

#### *Marketing & Communications Manager*

Manager Gromala is not in attendance due to the passing of her grandmother. Superintendent Iovinelli reported that we won third place on the Street Dance Banner submitted for the Agency Showcase at Conference.

### *Superintendent of Finance*

Superintendent Bersani reported that Max Galaxy training is ongoing. Staff has been exceptional in training with two-weeks to be ready for the trainer, Gina Acker who will be here on February 6.

Superintendent Bersani is trying to get Budget Maestro Software up and running and ready for the Budget process. She will be sending out W'2 by end of next week.

### *Superintendent of Recreation*

Superintendent Iovinelli thanked the Board for their support and time to do family stuff. The Recreation Department staff is working on budgets. Dan LoCascio has been a big help with registration program.

Superintendent Iovinelli reported that the Winter / Spring Dance Program registration is at about 100 versus 80 last year. Staff is working on Daddy Daughter Date night scheduled for next weekend, with numbers consistent with last years.

Superintendent Iovinelli shared that we received our accreditation from PDRMA. Staff and Commissioners will all be receiving jackets.

### *WSSRA*

Marianne Burko will be presenting at our February Board Meeting.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### *Affordable Care Act (ACA)*

Manager Laskowski spoke with Jim Patrician from Coordinated Benefits at conference. He does not know what's going to happen with the new President.

#### *Maple Park*

Motion #4 by Commissioner Hagerstrom, second by Commissioner Vonesh to approve that the Director be authorized to make the following determination ("the determination") in writing that the Maple Park Project Change Order #4B dated December 8, 2016, be approved for electrical work related to the supply upgrade for Maple Park power/lighting, including a new and relocated access pole, all work and materials provided by Jasco Electric & Elanar Construction Company in the amount of \$4,602. It is hereby determined that this Change Order is in the best interests of the Park District of Franklin Park Maple Park Project consistent with the provisions of 720 ILCS 5/33-E-9 and further moved, that after such written determination is made, said change order shall be executed on behalf of, and delivered by, the Park District by its Director."

Superintendent Wick explained that we originally planned to use the pole in the alley when Jasco met with ComEd, they said pole is not suited for additional line because it needs to be replaced, we will use a pole on our property.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners White, yes; Zinga, yes; Hagerstrom, yes; Vonesh, yes; O'Connell, yes. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wick contracted with Haney to remove five trees at end of the property. It has given the park a different look. We will be replacing with different trees.

Superintendent Wick received email from Rocket Ship manufacture. They agree it is unacceptable and are already working with Brian from Suburban Welding for his opinion.

#### *North Park Emergency Center*

Manager Laskowski will add to Sidebar Items.

#### *Community Center Renovations*

Superintendent Wick reviewed the plans and there are things that he needs to go through.

*3701 Sunset Property*

Nothing to report.

*East Leyden Project / Preschool Partnership*

A discussion was held. The Board feels it is not something the Park District would like to pursue.

**New Business:**

*Ice Arena Locker Room Addition*

We budgeted \$25,000 originally looking at need for a place for girls to change. That was the initial thought. We will look at other possibilities and options. A lot of the cost is utilities. There is a need for. A discussion was held. Staff will look at other options. Commissioner White suggested sturdy drywall in place of masonry walls. Superintendent Wick will look into.

**Suggested Motions:**

No suggested motions.

**Required Signatures**

Manager Laskowski received the required signatures.

**Closed Session to discuss Land Acquisition 2(c)5, Personnel 2(c)1 and Pending Litigation 2(c)2**

Motion #5 by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner Vonesh to enter into Closed Session to discuss Land Acquisition 2(c)5, Personnel 2(c)1 and Pending Litigation 2(c)11.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners Zinga, yes; Hagerstrom, yes; Vonesh, yes; O'Connell, yes; White, yes. Motion carried.

**Rise Out of Closed Session**

Motion #6 by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner Vonesh to rise out of Closed Session.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners Hagerstrom, yes; Vonesh, yes; O'Connell, yes; White, yes; Zinga, yes. Motion carried.

**Take action, if any, on matters discussed in Closed Session**

Commissioner White reminded the Board to bring their calendars to the March Board Meeting for schedule Budget Review Meeting dates.

**Adjourn at 8:57 p.m.**

Motion #7 by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner Zinga to adjourn at 8:57 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners Vonesh, yes; O'Connell, yes; White, yes; Zinga, yes; Hagerstrom, yes. Motion carried.

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Joseph E. Zinga, Secretary