

**Park District of Franklin Park
Board of Park Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 28, 2020; 7:00 p.m.
Community Center & Remote Locations
MINUTES**

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.

President Vonesh called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Remotely Present via Zoom: Commissioners AnneMarie Casas, Susan E. O'Connell, Michael A. Vonesh and Joseph E. Zinga Mark K. White.

Also Remotely Present via Zoom: Joseph D. Modrich, Director of Parks & Recreation, Thomas Hoffman, Attorney and Maria Laskowski, Human Resources Manager.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions, Corrections and Deletions to the Agenda

There were no Additions, Corrections or Deletions to the Agenda.

Presentation / Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated March 24, 2020

Motion #1 by Commissioner O'Connell, second by Commissioner Zinga to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated March 24, 2020.

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

Presentation / Approval of Manual Bill Listing dated March, 2020 in the amount of \$237,815.26

Motion #2 by Commissioner O'Connell, second by Commissioner Casas to approve the March, 2020 Manual Bill Listing in the amount of \$237,815.26.

The Manual Bill Listing was reviewed.

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

Presentation / Approval of System Bill Listing dated April, 2020 in the amount of \$54,426.24

Motion #3 by Commissioner Casas, second by Commissioner O'Connell to approve the April, 2020 System Bill Listing in the amount of \$54,426.24.

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

Correspondence

No correspondence.

Reports of Officers and Commissioners

Commissioner O'Connell thanked staff, she knows it's a lot of work to keep the Board posted, and keep everything clean and busy.

Commissioner Casas thanked staff for the Easter Bunny Visits. It was very appreciated by the community. Commissioner Casas also loves the ice skaters posts of them recording themselves doing their workouts, and thanking their heroes. The Coaches are also posting things for the skaters. She thanked them for keeping the kids engaged.

Commissioner White thanked staff for what they are doing and keeping everything clean. He is still having a problem with getting texts and emails. Staff will work with Commissioner White to come up with a solution.

Commissioner Zinga stated that it was nice seeing the positive comments on the Easter Bunny Visits on Facebook. He shared that the paper / cardboard bin at North Park is overflowing. Director Modrich will have staff call for pickup. Commissioner Zinga likes what Manager Galassini is posting on Facebook getting the word out.

President Vonesh also echoed everyone's comments. He thanked staff and Director Modrich for the ongoing communication and hopes we are able to get back to order soon.

Recess for Public Comment at 7:23 p.m.

President Vonesh recessed for Public Comment at 7:23 p.m.

No public comments.

Reconvene at 7:24 p.m.

President Vonesh reconvened the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Staff Reports:

Director

Director Modrich's items are elsewhere on Agenda.

North Park Manager

Director Modrich reported that Manager Selimos is working really hard to see what can be rescheduled. He also has received some new bookings for 2021.

Superintendent of Parks

Director Modrich reported that Superintendent Wick, Ice Arena Manager Meyers and Assistant Manager Monroe are putting lists together on what needs to be done, and how many staff members will be needed to do the items. So some part-time staff members will may be able to do other things if Pool / Day Camp's are delayed.

Marketing & Communication Manager

Director Modrich reported that Manager Galassini is doing a lot of creative work with social media, keeping residents informed. He is watching what other districts are also doing. Commissioner O'Connell likes all the ideas he has been putting on Facebook. The Commissioner's agreed.

Superintendent of Finance & Technology

Superintendent Bersani attended an IGFOA virtual round table that was very interesting, and a lot of ideas were shared. She continues to communicate with Cindy and department managers daily. She will be

reaching out to staff because we need to tailor our budgets. She also has been looking into hazard pay incentive options for employees that are on site working.

Superintendent of Recreation

Director Modrich reported that Superintendent LoCascio has been participating in an amazing amount of meetings not just with our staff but with other districts. He has put a long list together of dates, from pools, to camps, athletics, and dance showing different scenarios. We learned today that we have access to Pietrini, Passow and North School for Daycamp to keep groups small and we will be taking a look at residents versus nonresidents. We don't know what requirements are going to be put in place. Concerts have been moved back to July and August. Learned this afternoon that Vipers are cancelling their season.

Ice Arena Manager

Director Modrich reported that Ice Arena staff have been doing very similar as Recreation. As of this afternoon we know that the equipment and all the metal and supplies will be shipped from May 8-18. The project will begin on May 11. Can have ice back in the building third week in June to first week in July. A lot of time and effort has been put in with the architect to get started.

WSSRA

Director Modrich reported that today they had a long COVID 19 meeting. Some schools are not going to be available at all for them. School District 84 is good that they are. Some districts are already closing facilities for the summer. Going to be in a difficult situation with transportation. Getting very concern.

A discussion was held regarding Pool opening. Concern is locker rooms and Lifeguard safety.

Unfinished Business

Community Center Renovation

Director Modrich explained that they are recommending removing a pane from a window to see if something was left out. We will not agree to unless Kauneer can be here. A discussion was held.

Ice Arena Fire Update

Working with PDRMA.

Ice Arena Structure / Trespa

On hold.

Fitness Center

Superintendent LoCascio is targeting for the summer.

Timber & Hawthorne Parks

Director Modrich stated that we received more paperwork to fill out. Commissioner Zinga asked if we will we have to put project on hold if grants are no longer available. Director Modrich stated that the project is affordable with our current capital project budget. We will have revisit future projects. A discussion was held.

A discussion was held regarding funds.

Hawthorne Park discussion was held regarding making a community garden. The Board would like to keep it a tot park. The Board asked for sketches with both options.

Budget 2020-2021

A discussion was held regarding budget meetings. Director Modrich will have some dates in Friday’s report.

CV-19 Adaptation 2020

A Zoom Franklin Park Community Meeting will be held tomorrow with school districts and village.

Staff Support

A discussion was held. Board will reevaluate at May 26, 2020 Board Meeting.

Motion #4 by Commissioner O’Connell, second by Commissioner Casas to approve an amount not to exceed \$28,628 to support Payroll through May 22, 2020 for part-time staff.

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

New Business:

2020-2021 Board Meeting Schedule

Motion #5 by Commissioner Zinga, second by Commissioner O’Connell to amend the Regular Meetings Schedule of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Park District of Franklin Park for the Fiscal Year commencing May 1, 2020 and ending April 30, 2021.

May 26, 2020 – Community Center	November 24, 2020 – Community Center
June 23, 2020 – Community Center	December 15, 2020 – Community Center
July 28, 2020 – Community Center	January 26, 2021 – Community Center
August 25, 2020 – Community Center	February 23, 2021 – Community Center
September 22, 2020 – Community Center	March 23 2021 – Community Center
October 20, 2020 – Community Center	April 27, 2021 – Community Center

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

Suggested Motions:

No Suggested Motions.

Required Signatures

Manager Laskowski received the required signatures.

Building Permit Fees

Attorney Hoffman is in touch with Village of Franklin Park Attorney, and hopes to have written update sometime next week.

Adjourn at 9:03 p.m.

Motion #6 by Commissioner Zinga, second by Commissioner White to adjourn at 9:03 p.m.

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

Mark K. White, Secretary