

**Park District of Franklin Park  
Board of Park Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, May 26, 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 7:06 p.m.

**Roll Call**

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

Absent: Commissioner Joseph E. Zinga.

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**

Director Modrich added a Closed Session.

**Presentation / Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated April 28, 2020**

Motion #1 by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner O'Connell to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated April 28, 2020.

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

**Presentation / Approval of Manual Bill Listing dated April, 2020 in the amount of \$252,186.60**

Motion #2 by Commissioner O'Connell, second by Commissioner White to approve the April, 2020 Manual Bill Listing in the amount of \$252,186.60.

The Manual Bill Listing was reviewed.

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

**Correspondence**

No correspondence.

**Reports of Officers and Commissioners**

Commissioner O'Connell thanked everyone for all their hard work and everything they are doing around the district.

Commissioner Casas commented that just looking around the community, with Franklin Park Parades, shows it's a sign that the community wants to get together, community seems eager to participate in things. It was nice that we shared the Hester choir on our Facebook Page. It was a positive thing all members of the community were able to see. The senior skaters tributes the Ice Arena did were very nice, and knows it took a lot of effort to get together.

Commissioner White thanked also thanked everyone for their work.

President Vonesh also thanked everyone working from home and at parks. He hopes we will be able to open soon. He also thanked Manager Galassini for his work keeping residents updated.

**Recess for Public Comment at 7:14 p.m.**

President Vonesh recessed for Public Comment at 7:14 p.m.

**Reconvene at 7:15 p.m.**

President Vonesh reconvened the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

**Discussion of Officer Appointments**

The Board discussed Officer Appointments.

**Adjourn Final Meeting of Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Sine Die (Sign-E-Die).**

Motion #3 by Commissioner O’Connell, second by Commissioner Casas to adjourn the final meeting of fiscal year 2019-2020 Sine Die (Sign-E-Die) at 7:15 p.m.

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

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Mark K. White, Secretary

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**Park District of Franklin Park  
Board of Park Commissioners  
First Regular Meeting of Fiscal Year 2020-2021  
Tuesday, May 26, 2020; 7:00 p.m.  
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MINUTES  
Secretary White Chaired the meeting from this point.**

**Call to Order by Mark K. White, Secretary of the Board at 7:16 p.m.**

Secretary White called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m.

**Roll Call**

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

Absent: Commissioner Joseph E. Zinga

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

**Annual Business Meeting for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

*Election of Officers*

Secretary White called for the election of Officers for the Park District of Franklin Park Board of Park Commissioners for 2020-2021

Motion #1 by Commissioner Vonesh, second by Commissioner Casas to elect by acclamation, Commissioner O’Connell as President of the Park Board for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

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

**President O'Connell Chaired the Meeting from this point.**

Motion #2 by Commissioner Vonesh, second by Commissioner O'Connell to elect by acclamation, Commissioner White as Vice-President of the Park Board for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

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

Motion #3 by Commissioner Casas, second by Commissioner Vonesh to elect by acclamation, Commissioner Zinga as Secretary of the Park Board for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

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

Motion #4 by Commissioner Vonesh, second by Commissioner White to elect by acclamation, Commissioner Casas as Treasurer of the Park Board for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

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

*Appointments for Fiscal Year 2020-2021*

Motion #5 by Commissioner Vonesh, second by Commissioner Casas to authorize the following appointments for Fiscal Year 2020-2021: Aaron Gold, Speer Financial, as the Financial Advisor; Thomas G. Hoffman as the Attorney; Sikich & Gardner as the Auditors.

Voice Vote: 4 ayes; 0 nays. Motion carried.

*Designation of Depositories and Signatures to District Accounts*

Motion #6 by Commissioner Casas, second by Commissioner Vonesh to adopt Resolution 20-21-1/R, a Resolution Designating Depositories for the Treasurer of the Park District of Franklin Park.

Voice Vote: 4 ayes; 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion #7 by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner Vonesh to authorize the following accounts for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 and that these accounts be placed with Glenview State Bank, Glenview, Illinois and Leyden Credit Union, Franklin Park, Illinois: Corporate Account, Revenue Account, Payroll Account, and LPL Financial Investment Account.

Voice Vote: 4 ayes; 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion #8 by Commissioner Vonesh, second by Commissioner White to move to designate any two of the following: AnneMarie Casas, Susan E. O'Connell, Michael A. Vonesh, Mark K. White and Joseph E. Zinga as signatories, both original or by facsimile stamp, on all bank accounts of the District; and further to authorize Director Modrich to use the facsimile stamp on all regular disbursements, and to authorize the Director of Parks & Recreation and the Superintendent of Finance & Technology to deposit and withdraw funds in the Investment Fund, as needed for regular disbursements.

Voice Vote: 4 ayes; 0 nays. Motion carried.

President O'Connell declared the end of the Annual Business Meeting Items for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

**Presentation / Approval of System Bill Listing dated May, 2020 in the amount of \$53,219.72.**

Motion #9 by Commissioner Casas, second by Commissioner Vonesh to approve the May, 2020 System Bill Listing in the amount of \$53,219.72.

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

**Correspondence**

No correspondence.

**Recess for Public Comment at 7:26 p.m.**

President O'Connell recessed for Public Comment at 7:26 p.m.

**Reconvene at 7:27 p.m.**

President O'Connell reconvened the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

**Staff Reports:**

*Director*

Director Modrich's items are later on the Agenda.

*Superintendent of Parks*

Superintendent Wick reported that staff was able to get all the grass cut last week. He is getting ready to have part-time staff start back at work, and having some from other departments help out in Parks.

*Marketing & Communication Manager*

President O'Connell asked Manager Selimos about the outside wedding ceremony. Manager Selimos stated that he was contacted by the bride and was only having a few family members, so we were able to accommodate them.

*Superintendent of Finance & Technology*

Superintendent Bersani thanked everyone for the cookie basket on passing of her grandma. She continues to work on the Budget.

*Superintendent of Recreation*

Director Modrich reported that Superintendent LoCascio contacted PDRMA and spoke with our Representative Mary. They had a conversation regarding opening the Pool, and she was very impressed with the plan we have to start back up.

Superintendent LoCascio and Manager Nelson are working on outdoor Fitness Programs. It's nice to see recreation programs run instead of postponed or cancelled.

*Ice Arena Manager*

Director Modrich reported that the Ice Arena is doing a lot of work also planning for reopening. They are making good progress on shutdown.

*North Park Manager*

Nothing new to report.

*WSSRA*

Director Modrich reported that it's not a good situation right now. Based on difficulty due to population, there will be no live programming this summer. They will be offering some virtual programs. Losing Cicero also has had an impact.

## **Unfinished Business**

### *Community Center Renovation*

Director Modrich reported that door frames are done and completed. A discussion was held.

### *Ice Arena Fire Update*

Director Modrich reported that work has been done on the roof and now working on sidewalls. He started a weekly photo synopsis. A discussion was held. The Ice Arena is still on target to reopen on July 1.

### *Ice Arena Structure / Trespa*

On hold for the time being

### *Fitness Center*

On hold for now.

### *Timber & Hawthorne Parks*

Director Modrich reported that we are receiving conflicting messages. Our plan is to move forward with renovations for Timber Park. The Hawthorne Park Plans were reviewed. A discussion was held regarding community gardens on village property. The majority of the Board suggested trying. Commissioner White suggested having on October Board Meeting to evaluate.

### *Budget 2020-2021*

A Special Board Meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, June 16 at 6:30 p.m. at North Park for Budget Review.

### *CV-19 Adaptation 2020*

Director Modrich reported that the Transition Team will be meeting tomorrow to go over the plans for reopening. We are on the right track on how we are handling.

## **New Business**

No New Business.

## **Suggested Motions**

No Suggested Motions.

## **Required Signatures**

Superintendent Bersani asked if anyone could stop by to sign a check.

## **Building Permit Fees**

A discussion was held. Director Modrich will draft a letter to the Village Board asking for fees to be waived.

## **June 23, 2020 Monthly Board Meeting**

Motion #10 by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner Casas to move the June 23, 2020 Monthly Board meeting location from the Community Center to North Park.

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

## **October 2020 Monthly Board Meeting**

Motion #11 by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner Casas to move the October 2020 Monthly Board Meeting back to the fourth Tuesday of the month, October 27, 2020.

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

**Closed Session**

Motion #12 by Commissioner Casas, second by Commissioner White to discuss to enter into Closed Session at 8:50 p.m. to discuss Land Acquisition 2(c)5, Personnel 2(c)1 and Probable/ Imminent Litigation 2(c)2.

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

**Rise Out of Closed Session**

Motion #13 by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner Vonesh to rise out of Closed Session at 10:14 p.m.

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

**Adjourn at 10:18 p.m.**

Motion #14 by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner Vonesh to adjourn at 10:18 p.m.

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

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Joseph E. Zinga, Secretary