

MINUTES

SPECIAL PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT of La GRANGE PARK 1501 BARNSDALE ROAD, La GRANGE PARK, ILLINOIS February 12, 2024 - 5:30 PM

1. Call to Order & Roll Call:

President Corte called the meeting to order at 5:30. Present were Commissioners Stastny, Zuck and Sauer. Absent was Commissioner Ogden. Additionally present was Executive Director Jessica Cannaday.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. <u>Park District Mission</u>: The Community Park District of La Grange Park supports a healthy and inclusive community by positively impacting physical, social, emotional, and environmental well-being.
- Open Forum

No one was present for open forum.

- 5. Communications/Proclamations/Presentations
- 6. Unfinished Business
- 7. New Business
 - a. Interviewing and selection of Municipal Bond/Financial Advisors
 The board interviewed two companies, Baird (represented by Dalena
 Welkomer, Stephan Roberts, and Adam Holstine) and Meristem Financial
 Advisors (represented by Andy Arndt), in anticipation of issuing \$10.7
 Million in Referendum Bonds. Upon the completion of the interviews, the
 board directed Executive Director Cannaday to move forward with
 obtaining a letter of Engagement from Meristem Financial Advisors.
- 8. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, February 12, 2024 at 6:30pm
- 9. Adjournment

Commissioner Zuck made a motion to adjourn the special meeting at 6:28pm, seconded by Commissioner Stastny. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Approved March 11, 2024



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REGULAR PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT of La GRANGE PARK 1501 BARNSDALE ROAD, La GRANGE PARK, ILLINOIS February 12, 2024 - 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order & Roll Call:

President Corte called the meeting to order at 6:38. Present were Commissioners Stastny, Ogden, Zuck and Sauer. Additionally present were Executive Director Jessica Cannaday, Recreation Manager Jacqueline Newton, Financial Assistant Eric Nelessen of Lauterbach & Amen and Executive Administrative Assistant Laura Raimondi as recorder.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. <u>Park District Mission</u>: The Community Park District of La Grange Park supports a healthy and inclusive community by positively impacting physical, social, emotional, and environmental well-being.

4. Open Forum

No one present for open forum.

5. Approval of the February 12th, 2024 Agenda

Commissioner Stastny made a motion to approve the February 12th, 2024 Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Zuck. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

a. January 8th, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes Commissioner Stastny made a motion to approve the January 8, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Ogden. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

7. Communications/Proclamations/Presentations

Ron from Tria Architects was available via Zoom to discuss the cost of the conceptual design of the Recreation Center. He estimates that the cost of the facility as presented is \$13 million.

8. Staff Recognition

9. Staff Reports

- a. Executive Report
 Executive Director Cannaday presented her report.
- b. Recreation Report
 - Superintendent of Recreation
 Superintendent of Recreation Zak Kerby's report was presented.
 Questions were asked and answered.

- ii. Recreation Manager
 - Recreation Manager Jacqueline Newton presented her report. Questions were asked and answered.
- iii. Marketing and Event Manager Report was presented. Questions were asked and answered.
- c. Parks Report

Superintendent of Parks report was presented. President Corte asked staff to explore the option of getting urinals in the Port o Lets.

d. Financial Reports

Financial consultant Eric Nelessen presented the financial report. Questions were asked and answered.

10. Approve Monthly Disbursements

Commissioner Zuck made a motion to approve monthly disbursements in the amount of \$123,955.86 seconded by Commissioner Stastny. Motion was passed unanimously by roll call vote.

11. Committee Reports

- a. Sustainability
 - i. Arbor Advocates

Commissioner Zuck provided an update on Arbor Advocates meeting. Their first sponsored program is Wednesday March 6th at 7:00 p.m. It will include a presentation on Illinois Soil health.

12. Unfinished Business

- Mandatory Paid Leave
 Going before the County Board February 28th, 2024
- b. Little League Affiliate Agreement Renewal Executive Director Cannaday stated it will be renewed at existing terms.

13. New Business

- a. 2023 Post Issuance Tax Compliance Report
 Executive Director presented the Post Issuance Tax Compliance Report.
- b. 2023/2024 Budget Projections
 Executive Director Cannaday presented year end budget projections.
- c. 2024/2025 Agency Goals

The Board discussed focusing on the Yena Park improvements, recreation center expansion, a 5-year capital plan, and updating the Personnel Policy manuals and General Use Regulations. The Board agreed the district should also develop a Marketing and Branding program and Commissioner Ogden recommended keeping an eye on the Village's work in their re-branding efforts.

d. Recreation Center Expansion Commissioner Stastny requested that Andy Arndt from Meristem Financial Advisorspresent funding options at the next board meeting.

14 Executive Session

At 7:50pm, Commissioner Stastny made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act under Section 2(c)(1) to

discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees and in accordance with the Open Meetings Act Under Section 2(c)(5) to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Ogden and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

15. Reconvene Regular Meeting

President Corte reconvened the Regular Meeting at 8:50pm. Additionally present were commissioners Stastny, Zuck, Ogden, Sauer, and Executive Director Cannaday.

- 16. Action from Executive Session None
- 17. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, April 15, 2024 at 6:30pm

18. Adjournment

At 8:52pm, Commissioner Stastny made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Sauer. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

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