

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLEASANT DALE PARK DISTRICT

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2020 – 6:00 PM

HELD VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE AS PERMITTED BY GUBERNATORIAL DISASTER PROCLAMATION IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 (COVID-10 EXECUTIVE ORDER 5) EXEMPTING THE REQUIREMENT OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT FOR THE PHYSICAL PRESENCE OF THE COMMISSIONERS AT THE MEETING AND PERMITTING COMMISSIONER ATTENDANCE BY VIDEO, AUDIO, OR TELEPHONE ACCESS

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Call to Order/Roll Call: Present: Commissioners: C. J. Johnson, Todd Davis, Kristin Wojtulewicz, Patrick Gierut, and Brad Tertell. Also present: Executive Director Matt Russian & Attorney Joseph Cainkar.
3. Election of Officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer

Nomination for President

MOTION

Mr. Davis made a motion to nominate Mr. C. J. Johnson for President. Seconded by Mr. Tertell. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Nomination for Vice President

MOTION

Mr. Gierut made a motion to nominate Mr. Todd Davis for Vice President. Seconded by Ms. Wojtulewicz. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Nomination for Secretary/Treasurer

MOTION

Mr. Davis made a motion to nominate Mr. Gierut for Secretary/Treasurer. Seconded by Ms. Wojtulewicz. All Ayes. Motion passed.

4. Consent Agenda items a, b & c. Monthly Business (Items a, b & c on the consent agenda will be approved with one motion; Board Members with questions should call Matt prior to the meeting.)

- a. Minutes of the April 8, 2020 meeting
- b. Minutes of the April 17, 2020 special meeting
- c. Financial Statements presented to the Board of Park Commissioners for March 2020 in the amount of \$99,670.42 for accounts payable and \$43,709.35 for employee payroll.

MOTION

Mr. Davis made a motion to approve items a, b & c. Seconded by Mr. Tertell. All Ayes. Motion passed.

5. Open Forum (Limited to 15 minutes, 5 minutes per speaker)
6. Old Business

6A - Update on Walker Park Redevelopment Project

Mr. Russian explained that this project has been held up due to issues regarding the soil in the playground area and the picnic shelter area. Rubino Geotech Company did soil borings and furnished a report. PRI required more information and sent a letter to Kee Construction stating they want to excavate down one foot. They requested that a representative from Rubino Geotech Company be present to give further input. Excavation has continued on the Challenge Course area, but the backstop has not been completed. As far as the playground equipment installation, there seems to be a question regarding water saturation levels in the soil and under the mud slab. There is also a survey discrepancy in the picnic area regarding the elevation.

6B - Update on Soehrman Park Project

Mr. Russian reported that this project is moving along very well. He has been in touch with Countryside City Hall. Four parts of the permit were approved, except the engineering regarding pavers and survey elevations where the CXT restroom is going. Due to this issue, the job was shut down by the Countryside Inspector. There was an extra expense of approximately \$900.00 for engineering permit review. Holes were dug for piers for the shade structure going over outdoor equipment. Due to the rain during this shut down, the holes filled up with water and mud and had to be emptied which resulted in another charge of approximately \$2,500. At this point, the project is costing approximately \$3,500 extra. The project is being worked on and is expected to be done within two weeks.

6C - Board action on Ordinance 2020-02: Ordinance approving an easement agreement by and between the Pleasant Dale Park District and Carriage Way Club Townhome Association to install, operate, and maintain a storm water drainpipe under a portion of Lake Carriage Way Park, Burr Ridge, Cook County, Illinois

Attorney Joseph Cainkar explained that the Association accepted the agreement except with regards to the size of the drainpipe option of 6 inches, which would be done at their expense.

Mr. Gierut questioned whether the Park District has the right to possibly build a walkway over that drainage area.

Attorney Cainkar explained that the Park District has the right to use this area, but exact measurements would have to be discussed because it depends on the measurements and grading requirements. He will suggest that they provide for a foot of clearance.

MOTION

Mr. Tertell made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-02: Ordinance approving an easement agreement by and between the Pleasant Dale Park District and Carriage Way Club Townhome Association to install, operate, and maintain a storm water drainpipe under a portion of Lake Carriage Way Park, Burr Ridge, Cook County, Illinois. Seconded by Mr. Davis. All Ayes. Motion passed.

6D - Board action on Resolution 2020-2: Resolution approving Operating Agreement by and between the Pleasant Dale Park District and the Pleasant Dale Parks Foundation

The Board thanked Attorney Joseph Cainkar for his work on the Operating Agreement.

MOTION

Ms. Wojtulewicz made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2: Resolution approving Operating Agreement by and between the Pleasant Dale Park District and the Pleasant Dale Parks Foundation. Seconded by Mr. Davis. All Ayes. Motion passed.

7. New Business

7A - Board discussion and action on impact of Governor Pritzker’s “Restore Illinois” plan and impact on district staffing, programs, July 3 fireworks, July 4 pancake breakfast, and facility plans

Restore Illinois Plan

There was a brief discussion regarding Phase 2 and Phase 3 with regards to summer camp: 10 person pods, counselors, before and after care, tennis court use, baseball field use, square footage observance, bathroom schedules, suggested dates to start summer camp, legal issues regarding liabilities, COVID form waivers, staff and extra training which may be required.

Mr. Russian will also be in contact with other park districts as to how these issues are being handled. It was suggested that these issues be tabled until the June meeting.

Mr. Russian reported that the Mayor of Burr Ridge and the police asked the Park District to shut down the basketball courts, tennis courts, and the in-line rinks at this time. The walking paths are open, but the fields are closed. Since the CDC considers splash pads to be a playground, they will remain closed.

District Staffing

After a brief discussion, it was decided to pay specific front desk staff until mid-June and address this issue further at the June meeting. Extra Innings staff will be paid through the end of the school year.

July 3 Fireworks

Regarding the July 3, 2020 Fireworks display, the Board suggested moving the date to Labor Day with a date of September 5, 2020. Mr. Russian will contact Rob Novak regarding the suggested date.

Golf Outing

The Board decided to postpone the golf outing indefinitely at this time.

Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast

After a brief discussion it was decided to suggest a drive-through arrangement be made for the pancake breakfast either on July 3, 2020 or September 5, 2020 prior to the anticipated fireworks display.

7B - Board action on FY2021 meeting schedule

MOTION

Mr. Davis made a motion to approve FY2021 meeting schedule. Seconded by Mr. Tertell. All Ayes. Motion passed.

8. Flagg Creek Golf Course Report

Mr. Gierut reported the course opened May 1st. A ranger was present, asked your name, and provided a form with rules and your tee time. Twosomes are scheduled every 15 minutes, and a cart will be provided only if a person has a physical disability.

9. Staff Reports

- a. (Staff reports are provided as information only; Board members with questions - contact Matt prior to the meeting.)**

The Board commended the staff reports.

10. Additional Items

Mr. Russian mentioned that all board members should have received emails regarding the Cook County Statement for Economic Interest and can be filled out online.

The question of two pieces of equipment for the maintenance department which were discussed at a previous meeting have been put on hold for the present time.

11. Board Member Comments

12. Executive Session: (As needed)

13. Adjournment

MOTION

Ms. Wojtulewicz made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Gierut. All Ayes. Motion passed.

(Whereupon the Regular Meeting ended at 7:15 pm)

Reported by Carmella Traverso


