

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CARY PARK DISTRICT, CARY, ILLINOIS, HELD IN THE COMMUNITY
CENTER, 255 BRIARGATE ROAD, CARY, IL
APRIL 26, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Frangiamore called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following Commissioners answered present: Mrs. Hauck, Mr. Stanko, and Mr. Frangiamore.

Commissioners Absent: Mr. Howell and Mr. Renner

Staff

Staff present: Dan Jones, Executive Director; Vicki Krueger, Director of Finance and Administration; Sara Kelly, Superintendent of Recreation; Dave Raica, Director of Planning and Development; Paul Rogus, Superintendent of Park Maintenance; Katie Hughes, Director of Communications and Marketing; Katie Tarosas, Program and Facilities Manager; Erica Hall, Program Manager; Liz Gilroy, Program Manager, and Megan Lee, Recording Secretary.

Guests

**Regan Cossey
Cindy Doetsch
Dorothy Fagerson
Kelly Forney**

**Mike Johnson
Laura Marcanti
Marc Sonderman
Ginger Strader**

Twenty other family and friends of the recipients were in attendance.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

IV. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

V.A. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

IV.A.1 “You Make A Difference” Recognition Presentations. After a brief introduction, Frangiamore turned the floor over to ED Jones. Jones stated that this recognition program has

been occurring annually since 2012, and it is a chance to recognize people who do special things for the community and the Park District. Jones, Director Hughes, and Superintendent Kelly invited each recipient to step forward in front of the group for recognition. Volunteers were introduced individually and each was described with the information submitted to the Park District.

Dorothy Fagerson – Dorothy started as a volunteer at the Kraus Senior Center over twenty-five years ago for the Salvation Army home delivery meal lunch program and then later as the Salvation Army Golden Diners Site Manager. In that capacity she served meals to the seniors at the Senior Center and also oversaw the home delivery program to homebound senior's five days a week all year round. She and the Golden Diners program were a benefit to seniors in our community. She additionally has been a volunteer for the last fifteen years working alongside Jayne Anderson.

Cindy Doetsch – Cindy has tended to at least one demonstration garden at Hoffman Park for several growing seasons and has helped the Park District provide fresh vegetables to the Cary-Grove Food Pantry. In addition to planting, tending, and harvesting the gardens, she also assists when children from the Park District Preschool, campers from the ECHO Extreme Day Camp, and adults from NISRA's Adult Day Program visit. She helps them experience the joy of gardening as they tend to the gardens. Her garden plot out produces most other demonstration plots each growing season, always looks beautiful, and the bounty of organic produce she grows is always well received by the Cary-Grove Food Pantry and the local families it serves.

Regan Cossey – Regan has been a member of the Park District's pool staff for four years, with three of those years as the Head Pool Manager. Regan is a true asset to have on staff and has grown over the years he has worked here. Regan is a tremendous help in preparing the pool to open each season, has an inspirational work ethic, and is a true role model to others on staff.

Kelly Forney – Kelly has been the backbone of the theater program for many years as the Theater Director of our four programs including two theater companies. She has grown the children's theater program which originally started with 12 kids and now has approximately 30 kids. She takes the time to develop each child and recognizes their areas of improvement and celebrates their achievements. She puts in extra effort to build ongoing relationships with the children and their families. By doing this she keeps the children in her programs improve their self-esteem, build confidence, work as a team, and explore their creativity. She has demonstrated outstanding leadership skills, dependability and works very hard to make sure each child has a fun experience and the Theater Company performances are the best.

Mike Johnson – Mike has been involved with Cary-Grove Youth Baseball & Softball since the early 2000's. He has served in various roles within the program and is currently the treasurer for the Crush Tidal Waves girls travel program. His diligence and commitment to straightening out the organizations balance sheet as well as each team's account has made a big difference in how each coach is able to manage their respective team budgets and forecast future expenditures. The added transparency and open line between Mike and the Crush Tidal Waves coaches has nurtured the much needed components of trust and confidence.

Laura Marcanti – Laura was first hired twelve years ago to work in the Extended Time program. Within a year she was promoted to Site Director and is currently the Site Director at Briargate School. Laura is dedicated to making sure children are engaged with a variety of projects, sports, and activities ensuring they enjoy their time at ET KidZone. She also helps with the Day-Off School Program and has been the host for several Park District birthday parties.

Marc Sonderman – Marc has been a part-time custodian at the Community Center for just over a year. He has great customer service skills with both patrons and staff, an excellent work ethic, an amazing attention to detail, and frequently goes above and beyond the normal responsibilities of the position. He is extremely proud of his work and it is reflected in his job performance and has not gone unnoticed by both patrons and staff.

Ginger Strader – Ginger has been involved with the Cary Jr. Trojans for many years. She has volunteered as team Mom during football teams. In 2014 she joined the Junior Trojan Board as the Director of Concessions. In this role, Ginger and her family have worked tirelessly to make the concession program the best in class, the epicenter of a great football experience, and the biggest fundraiser for the last five seasons. In addition to her concession responsibilities, she manages scheduling and time card reporting for the scoreboard and clock operators, and answers many questions on a variety of football related topics such as parking and practice locations. Ginger continued her commitment to the program as Concession Director even though she did not have a son in the program in 2017.

John Liutaud – For 11 years John was the unanimous donor for the cash award at the Bingo events held at the Senior Center. The free event is held three or four times per month with close to 50 participants each time hoping to win \$10-\$75. He had fun thinking of new bingo games with fun trips. He wanted to contribute to the program, but remain anonymous. He was known to all as a caring and generous friend.

Stanko moved to recess the meeting for thirty minutes to allow for refreshments and fellowship with the honorees. Second by Hauck.

Voice vote: Yes – 3. No – None. Motion passed.

Frangiamore called the meeting back to order at 7:50PM.

VI. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

Upon roll call the following Commissioners answered present: Mrs. Hauck, Mr. Stanko, and Mr. Frangiamore.

Commissioners Absent: Mr. Howell and Mr. Renner

Frangiamore explained that this evening the Board has to conduct a Public Hearing concerning the intent of the Board of Park Commissioners to sell \$3,500,000 of General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and

facilities of the District, including, but not limited to, renovations at Lions Park and Kaper Park and for the payment of the expenses thereto.

No public present for comment.

Stanko stated he is very proud of staff and is excited about the improvements that are about to be done at Kaper and Lions Parks. The public is going to be very happy when those park projects are completed. Frangiamore and Hauck agreed with Stanko's statement.

Stanko moved to adjourn the BINA hearing. Second by Hauck.

Voice vote: Yes – 3. No – None. Motion passed.

BINA Hearing adjourned at 7:55PM.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Frangiamore asked if any items were to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

No items were requested for removal.

Hauck moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: VI.A.1 – Approval – Minutes Regular Board Meeting dated March 22, 2018; VI.A.2. – Approval – Minutes Special Meeting dated April 12, 2018; VI.A.3 – Approval – Minutes Committee of the Whole Meeting dated April 19, 2018; VI.A.4 – Approval – April 20, 2018, Disbursements in the Amount of \$186,733.51; and VI.A.5. – Acceptance – Treasurer's Report dated March 31, 2018. Second by Stanko.

Roll call vote: Yes – Stanko, Hauck, and Frangiamore. No – None. Motion carried.

VIII. BUSINESS ITEMS

VIII.A. Any Items Removed From Consent Agenda

None.

VIII.B. Action Items

None.

IX. Executive Director Report

Jones explained that at the Committee of the Whole meeting held on April 19, 2018, the budget for fiscal year 2018-19 was tentatively approved. The budget has been posted for the public to view at the Community Center as well as the website. With the conclusion of the public hearing

tonight, the Park District is one step closer to receiving the bond. The sale of the bonds will take place on May 24 and presented at that evening's Board meeting.

Jones then stated that there have been some updates to the Park District's brochure posted on the website and he encouraged them to view the changes. The changes include being able to directly click on a program barcode that will then add the program directly to a shopping cart. One of the other items is that by clicking on a blue icon next to certain programs or activities videos and/or pictures will appear of those programs or activities.

Jones next updated the Commissioners on Distinguished Accreditation Review. He explained the review will be taking place on May 31. He asked if any Board Members are available at 8:00AM on that morning that it would be nice if they could be present to greet the Committee when they arrive.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Stanko. Second by Hauck.

Voice vote: Yes – 3. No - None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Daniel C. Jones, Secretary
Park District Board of Commissioners