

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 ON
December 19, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. ROLL CALL

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

Commissioners Absent: Mr. Renner and Mrs. Victor

Staff

Staff present: Dan Jones, Executive Director; Vicki Krueger, Director of Finance and Administration; Sara Kelly, Deputy Director; Paul Rogus, Superintendent of Parks and Facility Maintenance; David Raica, Director of Planning & Development, Erica Hall, Superintendent of Recreation; and Megan Lee, Recording Secretary.

Guests

Brian Dawson, Resident
Harry Benstein, Resident

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

IV. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

V. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Stanko said that this year's Merry Cary Parade was very well attended. He also said he received a letter from MCCD regarding the Conservation Congress held bi-yearly in February. Jones explained every two years MCCD hosts a conservation congress and Mr. Stanko has represented the Park District the last two sessions. Jones explained that a credentials certificate, similar to the one done for the IAPD Conference, will be on the Committee of the Whole (COW) agenda for January.

Commissioner Stanko was recognized by members of the Board for his 30 years of service on the Board.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

Stanko moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: VI.A.1 – Approval – Minutes Regular Board Meeting dated November 21, 2019; VI.A.2 – Approval – December 13, 2019, Disbursements in the Amount of \$2,162,048.74; VI.A.3 – Acceptance – Treasurer’s Report dated November 30, 2019; and VI.A.4 – Approval – Purchase of Playground Equipment and Shade Sail via H-GAC Buy cooperative purchasing program from Landscape Structures Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$60,000. Second by Murphy.

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

VI. BUSINESS ITEMS

VI.A. Any Items Removed From Consent Agenda

None.

VII.B. Action Items

VII.B.1 Consider – Submittal of a PARC Grant Program application to seek additional funding to assist with the implementation of the Aquatic Facility Development Project.

Jones stated the next items have to do with the development of the Aquatic Facility at Cary-Grove Park. He then provided a short overview of the PARC Grant Program. He explained how the new Aquatic Facility would replace the existing pool which is 40 years old. The founding Park District residents back in 1971 founded the Park District on the basis of wanting to bring a pool to the community, and the pool was constructed five years after the Park District was founded. The original pool is still the one currently in use. A ground breaking would coincide with the 50th anniversary of the Park District in 2021. Jones explained when the pool was built, it was for a community with a population of 4,500-6,000. The current population of the community is around 22,000. The Board has prepared for the development of a legacy project like a pool, with the development and creation of the Comprehensive Master Plan (CMP) Update. Jones explained the CMP was approved by the Board in 2016 and it contained a lot of public input from both the community and community stakeholders. In the area of facility development two items were most important, an indoor recreation facility and an aquatic facility. The Board then did a Site Master Plan in 2017 of Cary-Grove Park. Hitchcock Design Group assisted the Park District with this process.

Jones stated the Board then worked through a process to choose which of two facilities would be built. To assist with this an Indoor Recreation and Outdoor Aquatic Feasibility Assessment was completed and accepted by the Board on March 28, 2019. A financial analysis was done by Speer Financial, financial consultant, and they explained to the Board funding options for the Park District to implement a project without raising taxes. Jones explained that after all of the reports were provided to the Board, the decision of the Board was to pursue an Aquatic Facility due to funds available.

Murphy thanked Staff for their hard work on making sure the grant application would have the best chance.

Stanko said Jones’ presentation was well done. He said he knows this is a lot to turn over so quickly, but he knows staff works well under pressure and will do a good job and hopefully be successful with their application.

Frangiamore said that he knows staff have put a lot of work into this project, and he thanked staff for their hard work. He stated he really looks forward to input from the different groups on how the pool will be designed.

Murphy moved to direct the Executive Director to submit an application for grant funding via the PARC Grant Program. Second by Stanko.

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

VII.B.2 R-2019-20-05, A Resolution of Authorization to confirm the Cary Park District's participation in the PARC Grant program, as sponsor of the project titled Aquatic Facility Development Project.

Jones stated that on December 3, 2019, the IDNR Illinois Park and Recreational Facility Construction Grant Program (PARC) was released with a deadline of January 21, 2020. He explained that a total of \$25 million was being awarded with 20% of the \$25 million being given to the Chicago Park District. The grant also limits the award recipients to the lesser amount of 75% of total project costs or \$2.5 million.

Jones explained that on December 4, staff emailed IDNR about the project and on December 5 held a phone call with IDNR staff. The staff at IDNR stated that the Aquatic Facility Development Project is eligible for the grant program. The construction cost for the Aquatic Facility Development Project is expected to be around \$9-10 million. Jones stated that in order to apply for the grant, The Board needs to pass a resolution confirming the funding of the project is in order and agreement to follow items identified within the grant program documents if the project is selected.

Stanko moved to approve Resolution R-2019-20-05, a Resolution of Authorization, to confirm the Cary Park District's participation in the PARC Grant program, as sponsor of the project titled Aquatic Facility Development Project. Second by Murphy.

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

Stanko said he is very proud of how the Aquatic Facility Development Project has come about, and the Board and Staff have been thoughtful and thorough in their approach to this project. He also feels that staff have been very methodical on their approach to the project and hiring experienced consulting firms to assist with the process so the Board can make the best choice and do what is best for the constituents.

VII.C. Discussion Items

None.

VIII. Executive Director Report

Jones said that before the end of day on Monday, December 23 he will be sending out a draft of an annexation agreement to the Board. He asked that the Board review it and send any questions they may have about the draft to him. On January 9, 2020 Attorney Puma will attend the COW meeting and will be able to answer any questions the Board may have about the annexation.

Jones stated the sanitary line remediation project is underway at Lions Park. The Board approved three different contingency options to perform the work and the option chosen was the pushing of a 36” pipe with hand mining.

Jones then asked Kelly to give an update on the Early Childhood Center. Kelly said a pre-construction meeting occurred with four of the trades, Lamp, Inc., and Staff. She stated the building permit has been submitted to the Village of Cary. The exterior demolition will start on Monday for the new fencing. She explained in January, bid packet #2 will be presented to the Board. The bid will be open for about four weeks and the results brought before the Board in February.

Murphy asked what would be in bid packet #2, and Raica stated it would include playground installation, certain renovations for the building, concrete and drainage work, and landscape completion.

Murphy then asked about the \$207,000 needed to fix the sanitary line at Lions Park and if this is more than the retainage being held. Jones stated yes and that all the retainage being held will be used for this project. He explained that in addition to the sanitary line remediation at Lions Park, another \$22,000 was required to fix a water line leak at Kaper Park. The dollars required to be spent above the retainage being held will come from \$100,000 of construction contingency identified at the project outset to be used in unforeseen situations.

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Daniel C. Jones, Secretary
Park District Board of Commissioners