

**CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

April 25, 2018

The Champaign Park District Board of Commissioners held a Special Meeting on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bresnan Meeting Center, 706 Kenwood Road, Champaign, Illinois, pursuant to published notice duly given. President Craig W. Hays presided over the meeting.

Present: President Craig W. Hays, Vice President Timothy McMahon, Commissioners Barbara J. Kuhl, Jane L. Solon and Kevin Miller, Attorney Guy Hall, and Treasurer Donna Lawson.

Staff Present: Joe DeLuce, Executive Director, Cindy Harvey, Assistant to the Executive Director/Board Secretary, Andrea Wallace, Director of Finance, Daniel Olson, Director of Operations, Tammy Hoggatt, Director of Human Resources, and Andrew Weiss.

Call to Order

President Hays called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

New Business

Approval of Full-Time Staff Wage Increase for FY19 and Position Classification Caps Increase

Mr. DeLuce presented the report. He stated that staff has done a great job this year and accomplished many objectives. Mr. DeLuce recommended the merit be set at 3.0%.

Commissioner Kuhl made a recommendation to approve a 3.0% merit increase for all qualified FT1 and FT2 employees, and to increase position classification caps by 2.1%. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Miller.

Discussed ensued. Mr. DeLuce stated that the recommendation is to increase the top of the range classification by 2.1%. An employee's increase cannot exceed a total of 3.0%. Further discussion ensued about the impact on the IMRF rate and other matters impacting the rate.

Commissioner Solon stated that staff is doing a good job and she appreciates the list of accomplishments. However, she encouraged staff to seek cost saving methods in order to be able to address more citizens' and staff requests. President Hays concurred with Commissioner Solon. He discussed costs savings on printing services associated with the Martens Center brochure. Mr. DeLuce stated that this directive will be added to the goals.

President Hays called for the vote. The motion passed 5-0.

Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois (U of I) for Summer Employment of Student Athletes

Mr. DeLuce presented the report. He reported that this is usually a one year agreement, however the U of I is requesting a two year agreement. The athletes assist with camps and work at the Sholem Aquatic Center during the summer at no cost to the Park District. Mr. DeLuce reported that staff would like to continue the agreement.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois for Summer Employment of Student Athletes for a two year period. The motion was seconded by Vice President McMahon. The motion passed 4 in favor and none opposed, with Commissioner Miller abstaining due to his employment at the U of I.

Discussion Items

None.

Comments from Commissioners

Commissioner Solon commented on the great banquet held for Champaign-Urbana Special Recreation participants. She stated that the banquet was well organized and the event went well.

President Hays reported that he presented roses to Chaz Ebert during the Ebert Festival. He stated that the Festival went well.

Mr. DeLuce reported that a brochure for the 2018 NRPA Conference was available. He encouraged the Board to let Ms. Harvey know if anyone is interested in attending it. Mr. DeLuce encouraged the Board to attend the Champaign STARS Award on April 26, 2018 at 6 p.m. at the Virginia Theatre. He announced that the Toalson Award will be presented to former commissioner Morgan Powell by Mrs. Deanna Toalson.

Executive Session

Commissioner Kuhl moved as set forth below to convene into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Miller. The motion passed 5-0. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner Miller – yes; Vice President McMahon – yes; President Hays – yes; and Barbara J. Kuhl – yes. The Board convened into Executive Session under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, specifically 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) for the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired; (c)(6) the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body; and (c)(11) to address pending litigation.

Return to Regular Meeting

Following the adjournment of the Executive Session, the Board reconvened in open meeting.

Executive Session Action Items

Resolution Authorizing Unit 4 School District to Undertake Demolition at Spalding Park

No action was taken on this item.

Intergovernmental Agreement for Submission to Unit 4 School District regarding Spalding Park

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement for submission to Unit 4 School District regarding Spalding Park. Discussion ensued and Commissioner Solon withdrew her motion.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for submission to Unit 4 School District regarding Spalding Park and upon approval by Unit 4 with no significant changes, it is to be deemed approved by the Park Board and executed by President Hays.

President Hays reported that Andrea Ruedi, on behalf of Peter Fox, would like to meet with Board members to discuss the ice rink project. Discussion ensued. It was the consensus of the Board to invite Mr. Fox or a representative to a Board meeting to share information regarding the ice rink project. This will allow the information to be shared with the Board and to ask questions.

Adjourn

There being no further items to come before the Board, Commissioner Solon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kuhl. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Craig W. Hays, President

Cindy Harvey, Secretary