

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

May 22, 2019

The Champaign Park District Board of Commissioners held a Special Board Meeting on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bresnan Meeting Center, 706 Kenwood Road, Champaign, Illinois, pursuant to published notice duly given. President Hays presided over the hearing.

Present: President Craig Hays, Vice President Timothy P. McMahon, Jane L. Solon, Treasurer Donna Lawson and Attorney Guy Hall.

Absent: Commissioner Barbara J. Kuhl and Kevin Miller.

Staff Present: Joseph DeLuce, Executive Director, Cindy Harvey, Assistant to the Executive Director/Board Secretary, Andrea Wallace, Director of Finance, and Jameel Jones, Director of Recreation.

Tim Mitchell, reporter with *The News-Gazette*, was in attendance.

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.

Appointment of Officers

Appointment of Treasurer

Commissioner Solon made a motion that Donna Lawson be appointed as Treasurer of the Champaign Park District. The motion was seconded by Vice President McMahon. There were no other nominations. The motion passed 3-0. Attorney Hall then administered the Oath of Office to Treasurer Donna Lawson.

New Business

Approval of a new Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Champaign and the Park District for the Community Matters Program

Mr. Jones presented the report. He reported that the Park District has had prior agreements with the City of Champaign of Champaign Neighborhood Services Department and the Police Department along with other community partners to offer programming to children in the Garden Hills, Bristol Place and Douglass Park areas. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Solon commented that this was a great program and hopes that the Park District reach as many children as possible.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve the Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Champaign and the Park District for the Community Matters Program and authorize the Executive Director to execute the agreement, effective from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. The motion was seconded by Vice President Tim McMahon. The motion passed 3-0.

Approval of an Agreement with the Kiwanis Little League

Mr. Jones presented the report. He reported that agreement with the Kiwanis Little League has been ongoing for several years.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve an agreement with the Kiwanis Little League for a three year term and authorize the Executive Director to execute the agreement. The motion was seconded by Vice President McMahon. The motion passed 3-0.

Approval of an Agreement between the Park District and The Carle Foundation

Mr. DeLuce reported that the agreement has not been signed by Carle. He reported that the major issue is that part of the area is annexed and unannexed, and which party is responsible for maintaining the different areas. Mr. DeLuce stated that Park District will be responsible for paying to maintain the annexed area and Carle will be responsible for paying to maintain the unannexed portion. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Solon expressed concern about the number of trees for which the Park District will become responsible. President Hays requested clarification about the funds for the amenities and the desire to receive the amount requested in advance. He also expressed concern about the Park District's becoming responsible for plantings that it did not install. President Hays requested a flow chart or delineation of what the respective parties will be responsible for.

Vice President McMahon made a motion to table this item until the June 12, 2019 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Solon. The motion passed 3-0.

Discussion Items

Attorney Hall asked the Board if there was interest in increasing the amount of title insurance for the Martens Center improvements. There was a consensus from the Board to do so. He also asked the Board for direction on the title and attorney fees for the Trails of Abbeys Fields lot transaction. There was a consensus from the Board for each party to handle the customary fees.

Mr. DeLuce updated the Board on meeting with staff from the City of Champaign regarding Heritage Lake. He reported that the City is offering \$40,000 to \$50,000 to help cover the cost of improving the shoreline. Discussion ensued. It was the consensus of the Board to schedule a meeting with the City of discuss the matter further.

Comments from Commissioners

President Hays reported that while at the Leonhard Recreation Center, he viewed the children at the Touch-A-Truck event and that they had a great time.

Mr. Jones reported that a Summer Block party will be held on April 23, 2019 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Countrybrook Apartments. He also reported that a soft opening at the Sholem Aquatic Center will be held on May 24, 2019, and that the Aquatic Center and Prairie Farm open to the public on April 25, 2019.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Vice President McMahon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Solon. The motion passed 3-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Approved:

Craig W. Hays, President

Cindy Harvey, Secretary