

Springfield Park District
BOARD MEETING / COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Erin's Pavilion – 4965 South 2nd Street, Springfield, IL
Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Roll Call

Members Participating in Person: President Sgro and Trustee Metcalf

Members Participating Remotely: Trustees Badger, Hammer, Schmidt, Senor-Moore & Theilen

Members Unavailable: None

Other Participants in Person: Derek Harms, Executive Director; Jason Graham, Director of Parks; Stephen Flesch, Director of Finance & Administration; and Lynn Saputo, Director of Recreation

President Sgro opened the meeting and declared the following statement:

“Based upon the COVID 19 outbreak and the Governor Executive Orders, the Board declares in person meetings impractical at this time and not prudent based on the nature of the disaster.”

Minutes of the of May Board Meeting

Motion: To approve the May 20, 2020 Board meeting minutes as presented

Moved by: Trustee Theilen

Seconded by: Trustee Senor-Moore

Discussion: n/a

Roll Call: Badger: Aye Hammer: Aye Metcalf: Aye
Schmidt: Aye Senor Moore: Aye Theilen: Aye Sgro: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Public Comment

President Sgro asked for public comment. No one from the public was in attendance.

De minimis Interurban Trail

Motion: Authorize Park Board President to execute letter with Sangamon County Highway Department determining that the impacts to the Interurban Trail (as a result of the Woodside Road and Iron Bridge Road Project) are considered de minimis

Moved by: Trustee Schmidt

Seconded by: Trustee Theilen

Discussion: n/a

Roll Call: Badger: Aye Hammer: Aye Metcalf: Aye
Schmidt: Aye Senor Moore: Aye Theilen: Aye Sgro: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Statement of Claims

Motion: To approve the Statement of Claims and Visa bills as presented by President Sgro

Moved by: Trustee Theilen

Seconded by: Trustee Schmidt

Discussion: n/a

Roll Call: Badger: Aye Hammer: Aye Metcalf: Aye
Schmidt: Aye Senor Moore: Aye Theilen: Aye Sgro: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Annexation of Property

Motion: Adopt Annexation Ordinances #1460-20 & #1461-20

Moved by: Trustee Hammer

Seconded by: Trustee Theilen

Discussion: n/a

Roll Call: Badger: Aye Hammer: Aye Metcalf: Aye
Schmidt: Aye Senor Moore: Aye Theilen: Aye Sgro: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Purchase F150 Truck

Motion: To authorize staff to purchase a 2020 Ford F150 from the FY21 Operating Budget under joint purchase contract #PSD4018488 (State of IL bid list) in an amount to not exceed \$34,000

Moved by: Trustee Theilen
Seconded by: Trustee Schmidt

Discussion: Truck is for Assistant Superintendent of Maintenance and the '08 truck will be moved to the crew

Roll Call: Badger: Aye Hammer: Aye Metcalf: Aye
Schmidt: Aye Senor Moore: Aye Theilen: Aye Sgro: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 7 Nays:

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board it was moved by Theilen and seconded by Schmidt that the meeting adjourn at 5:38 p.m.

Committee of the Whole
Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.
Erin's Pavilion – 4965 South 2nd Street
Springfield, IL

MINUTES

Members Participating in Person: President Sgro and Trustee Metcalf
Members Participating Remotely: Trustees Badger, Hammer, Schmidt, Senor-Moore & Theilen

Members Unavailable: None

Other Participants in Person: Derek Harms, Executive Director; Jason Graham, Director of Parks; Stephen Flesch, Director of Finance & Administration; Lynn Saputo, Director of Recreation and from the Sangamon County Highway Department: Brian Davis & Arlin Williams

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held on June 10, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. Members of the public could attend, compliant with the Governor's executive Order issued as a result of the COVID-19 procedure temporarily suspending various requirements of the OMA.

President Sgro opened the meeting and declared the following:

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President Sgro asked for public comment. No one from the public was in attendance.

Woodside Road Improvements

Brian Davis, Sangamon County Highway Departments, addressed the Board regarding improvements to Woodside Road. A concurrence on a 4F de minimum from the Park District that the project will not have an adverse impact on Park District property or facilities is required. During the project, the trail will be completely unusable two times at 60 days max per time over the three year period. It will be necessary to provide temporary access. The County is working with Hanson Engineer to minimize the time the trail would be shut down for work. The new design will be safer and more efficient. The parking lot will be relocated, paved and offer ADA accessibility for better access. Covid-19 added complications to the County holding a public hearing but the public will be given the opportunity to voice any concerns. Mr. Davis answered questions and the Board is in support.

Director Harms reminded the Board staff updates were included in the packet but no verbal updates will be provided because the Governor's Executive Orders suspending OMA limits discussion to items that must be addressed because time is of the essence.

COVID-19 Updates Given:

Currently we are in Phase 3 and anticipate moving into Phase 4. Currently opening programs and more to come next week. DCEO offered a lot of information to be evaluated and the Rec department is using that information to determine how to open facilities and programs safely. Maximum group size will be limited to 50. Summer camp would be groups of eight kids and 2 counselors spread out in different areas to safely distance. Nelson Center Ice and Pre School will begin the 15th. Riverside accepted RV camping only and quickly filled up. Virtual camps through Zoo and Funshop have been well received, as well as ESports competitions and Zoo online classes.

The playgrounds are currently still closed. It was suggested that caution tape be put around the playgrounds. This is the normal practice, but it has been an ongoing challenge since the public keeps tearing it down. It was also noted that signage would be helpful. Staff will look into it.

A discussion regarding opening the pools was held. It is unknown if Phase 4 would allow for pools to be open and at what capacity. Currently the pools would need a minimum of four weeks to open. The Red Cross is not allowing lifeguard training at this time.

Bathroom facilities remain a priority to open to the public. Staff was asked to determine a way they could be open for public use.

FY 21 Budget

Approval of the budget has been delayed due to COVID-19. It will need to be passed by the end of July. Director Flesch has been using actual performance for a more accurate budget as a reflection of COVID-19.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before
The Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.