

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Rolling Meadows Park District, Park Central Administration Building, 3000 Central Road, on **April 23, 2024**.

President Ford called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. After the pledge of allegiance, the roll was taken.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Emily Ford, President
Liz Bolash, Vice President
Mark Votruba, Treasurer
Bill Cooley, Commissioner

Kimberley Meehan, Commissioner
Jay Sullivan, Commissioner
Matt Postma, Commissioner

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Kevin Romejko, Executive Director
Conor Cahill, Supt. of Recreation
Doug Haywood, Supt. of Finance & IT
Brian McKenna, Supt. of Parks

Bob Veller, Supt. of Ice Arenas*
Dominic Calderisi, Safety Coordinator
& Project Manager
Liz Dalessandro, Recording Secretary

SPECIAL BOARD ACTION

None

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Amy Charlesworth

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Comm. Meehan moved, seconded by Comm. Bolash, the Board of Park Commissioners approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of April 9, 2024. The motion was passed on a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Bolash, Cooley, Ford, Meehan, Sullivan, Votruba
Nays:
Abstain: Postma

**Supt. Veller entered the meeting at 7:32 PM*

FINANCE

Comm. Votruba read and moved, seconded by Comm. Meehan, the Board of Park Commissioners approve the following resolution:

**A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE APPROVAL OF BILLS
CHARGED TO THE GENERAL CORPORATE FUND ON APRIL 23, 2024**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE ROLLING MEADOWS PARK DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, that the following disbursements to the General Corporate Fund be approved for payment:

CHECK #	PAYEE	AMOUNT
15038	Anthony Roofing	\$3,263.14
15039	Becker Arena Products	\$2,803.20
15040	Divine Design & Marketing	\$2,581.00
15041	A-Express/Rogner's Towing	\$1,335.00
15042	FTI Pumps and Controls	\$22,038.00
15043	General Mechanical Services (PremiStar)	\$1,160.00
15044	Grainger	\$1,089.42
15045	Halogen Supply Company	\$14,447.86
15046	Homer Industries	\$4,600.00
15047	JC Licht, LLC	\$12,196.46
15048	Robert Kramer	\$1,200.00
15049	Menards	\$1,181.67
15050	Nicor Gas	\$2,795.15
15051	Pomp's Tire Service	\$1,821.89
15052	Scharm Floor Covering	\$25,330.00
15053	Ultimate Plumbing Supply	\$1,933.00
15054	Vans Enterprises, Ltd	\$3,947.50
15055	Warehouse Direct Workplace	\$9,315.00
15056	Northwest Hockey League	\$1,050.00
15057	Pure Imagination, Inc	\$12,540.00

Total General fund Checks for April 23rd, 2024

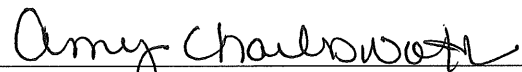
\$126,628.29

Presented the 23rd day of April 2024

AYES: 7
 NAYS: 0
 ABSENT: 0

Approved the 23rd day of April 2024


 President, Board of Park Commissioners

ATTEST: 
 Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners

Comm. Bolash inquired about the cost of the waterfall pumps purchased through FTI Pumps and Controls. She wanted to know if this cost was for new pumps or repairs to the existing pump. Supt. McKenna advised he purchased two new units so we could replace the current pump and have the other in reserve as a backup. He explained the rationale behind his decision. Comm. Bolash thanked him for the clarification.

Motion was unanimously approved.

UNFINISHED OR CONTINUING BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Comm. Ford introduced Ordinance 2024-0401, Declaration of Surplus Personal Property and Authorization for Sale or Disposal. Comm. Votruba moved, seconded by Comm. Postma, to approve the previously distributed ordinance. The motion was unanimously approved.

Comm. Ford then introduced the next item on the agenda, the Approval of Food Trucks for the Northwest Travelers Memorial Day Baseball Tournament. Comm. Postma moved, seconded by Comm. Cooley, to approve the presence of food trucks. There was topic discussion regarding which trucks will be at the tournament. The motion was unanimously approved.

Comm. Ford introduced the FY2024-25 Proposed Capital Budget and invited Supt. Haywood to discuss this item. Supt. Haywood commented on the busy year ahead in terms of capital projects and pointed out a few of the planned projects, like roofing. Comm. Bolash inquired about the electronic sign outside of West Meadows. Supt. Veller stated there has been talk for a few years about changing the monochrome sign to something more colorful and vibrant. He stated we have collected proposals to update the sign. There was topic discussion regarding the sign size. Comm. Cooley asked what changes will be made to the scoreboard at West Meadows. Supt. Veller clarified the current scoreboard panel is obsolete, so there have been discussions about updating it, but there are currently no concrete plans. Supt. McKenna indicated the amount shown in the proposed budget is on the higher end of pricing, so the actual cost of the sign could be less than what is shown.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Administration:

Supt. Haywood had no additional comments outside of his report but opened the floor to questions. Comm. Bolash commented on the refund received for 2022 property taxes paid on the Icenogle Property. She is very pleased. Comm. Cooley is also happy with this development.

Ice:

Supt. Veller discussed the ice show scheduled for later this week and said set-up will begin on Thursday. He expects the ice show to go well and recommends arriving early for parking.

Parks:

Supt. McKenna spoke about the most recent meeting with architects for the Community Center Park Project. He stated there will be further bid data presented next month, which will allow us to decide who we will award the project to and move forward. Comm. Ford asked about the new Countryside Park playground equipment and asked how long we anticipate installation will take. Supt. McKenna confirmed the materials have arrived. While he is still finalizing the assembly plans with his team, he expects construction to commence on May 13 and estimates completion in the second week of June. Comm. Cooley commented on concrete being removed from Kimball Hill Park and requested a status. Supt. McKenna confirmed new concrete has already been poured.

Recreation:

Supt. Cahill reported that Community Cleanup Day is coming up on Saturday, April 27. He invited anyone present to attend and help. Supt. Cahill then drew attention to the new "PLAY • LEARN • GROW" wall décor at Park Central and mentioned there is matching signage at the Community Center, as well. He and his team are very excited about the wall décor. Comm. Votruba inquired about the girls flag football program we are piloting and interest in the initial clinics. Supt. Cahill advised the clinics have good numbers so far, but we still need to partner with other local districts to form a league. There was additional topic discussion regarding the girls flag football league.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

President:

Comm. Ford acknowledged this is Dir. Romejko’s last meeting with the District. She thanked him for all his contributions to the District over the last four plus years and wished him well in his new role at Bartlett Park District.

Vice President:

Comm. Bolash thanked Dir. Romejko for everything and wished him well.

Treasurer:

Comm. Votruba thanked Dir. Romejko for his time with the district and wished him well in his endeavors.

Executive Director:

Dir. Romejko informed the board of when and where the State of the City Address will take place. He asked them to let him know if they wish to attend, so he can arrange it. Dir. Romejko went on to thank the Board for the opportunity to work here as the Executive Director. He believes this is a great district, with a wonderful team, and he cherished his time here. Dir. Romejko thanked the Board for their support and offered any assistance to allow for a smooth transition.

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Comm. Cooley thanked Dir. Romejko for his work and thinks he did a great job in our District.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Ford requested a motion to close the public portion of the meeting and convene in executive session pursuant to Illinois State Statute 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act for discussion regarding appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers. Comm. Bolash moved, seconded by Comm. Cooley, the Board of Park Commissioners to convene in executive session. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Commissioners entered executive session at 7:53 PM.

Comm. Sullivan moved, seconded by Comm. Postma, the Board of Park Commissioners return to regular session at 8:22 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION

Comm. Cooley moved, seconded by Comm. Bolash, the Board of Park Commissioners appoint Amy Charlesworth as Interim Secretary/Executive Director, effective May 6. The motion was unanimously approved.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Regular Board Meeting	May 14, 2024	7:30 PM
Regular Board Meeting	May 28, 2024	7:30 PM

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board on this date Comm. Cooley moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Comm. Postma seconded the motion at 8:23 PM. Motion was unanimously approved.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

Presented the 14th day of May 2024

Approved the 14th day of May 2024



President, Board of Park Commissioners

ATTEST:



Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners