

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting** of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Rolling Meadows Park District, REMOTE MEETING VIA ZOOM. Call in: 312-626-6799, ID: 823 5049 4313, Passcode: 256855, on **April 13, 2021.**

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

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Liz Bolash, President  
Christine Savino, Vice President  
Kimberley Meehan, Treasurer  
Donna Bisesi, Commissioner  
Bill Cooley, Commissioner  
Stephanie Ennis, Commissioner  
Emily Ford, Commissioner

**STAFF PRESENT**

Kevin Romejko, Executive Director  
Tim Klier, Supt. of Finance  
Conor Cahill, Supt. of Recreation  
Brian McKenna, Supt. of Parks\*  
Dominic Calderisi, Safety Coordinator & Project Manager  
Alison Reicher, Mgr. of Human Resources & Employee Engagement  
Connie Kubik, Recording Secretary  
Bob Veller, Supt. of Ice Arenas

*\*Supt. McKenna entered the meeting at 7:34 PM*

**NOTICE**

President Bolash declared due to COVID 19 concerns tonight's Board meeting shall be conducted via audio and video Zoom platform and in accordance with SB 2135, Executive Director Romejko was participating in the meeting from the regular meeting location, Park Central, 3000 Central Road. There were no members of the public present at the Park Central location. To ensure all discussion, testimony and votes could be heard, President Bolash confirmed each member of the Board was able to hear her by roll call response as follows:

Ayes: Bisesi, Cooley, Ennis, Ford, Meehan, Savino  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

**VISITORS**

No physical visitors in attendance at Park Central,  
Zoom virtual attendance: Mark and Cami Thomas

**SPECIAL BOARD ACTION**

None

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

None

President Bolash welcomed Mark and Cami Thomas to the meeting and reviewed District public participation guidelines for addressing the Board. She inquired about their discussion topic and thanked them for bringing their concerns to our meeting. Cami Thomas stated she felt pool entry prices for the upcoming season are too high. There was discussion regarding the current IDPH pool capacity restrictions and daily fees and passes for timed admission. Discussion included comparison of length of timed reservations to other Districts, Rolling Meadows median income comparison to surrounding suburbs, quarter hour pricing comparison to neighboring Districts, increasing fees for non-residents, potential short term punch card passes, annual pass purchases impacted by timed restrictions and offering weekly rotating special/dynamic pricing days. The online reservation system logistics were discussed. It was noted for 2021 the pool is opening one hour earlier than during the 2019 season to accommodate the timed reservation periods and if IDPH COVID restrictions are removed or relaxed a half season pool pass could be considered. Dir. Romejko and President Bolash thanked the Thomas's for bringing the topic to the Board for discussion and advised all Park Districts are struggling with creative solutions relating to the difficulties COVID restrictions incur.

*The Thomas's exited the meeting at 8:14 PM*

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Comm. Meehan moved and Comm. Cooley seconded the Board of Park Commissioners approve the previously distributed consent agenda as submitted. Motion passed by a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Bisesi, Bolash, Cooley, Ennis, Ford, Meehan, Savino

Nays: None

Absent: None

**FINANCE**

The financial summary of the Park District is as follows: zero in the payroll account, \$25,000.00 in the administrative account, \$80,023.05 in the general fund. The Park District investment summary is as follows: \$3,219,367 in the BMO Harris Bank prime money market plus account, \$3,379,271 in the Evergreen Bank Group Cornerstone money market account and \$1,720,058 in the Illinois Park District Liquid Asset Fund and \$1,085,000 in the GO Bond fund-Series 2020 and 2021 portfolio, which includes issues for the City of Marion, Illinois and Lemont Park District.

Comm. Meehan moved and Comm. Savino seconded the Board of Park Commissioners adopt the following resolution:

**A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE APPROVAL OF BILLS  
CHARGED TO THE GENERAL CORPORATE FUND**

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
13869	Amateur Hockey	11,892.00
13870	Altorfer Industries Inc.	3,566.68
13871	Care Program	3,943.65
13872	City of Rolling Meadows	4,436.38

13873	Constellation New Energy	5,527.57
13874	Deere & Company	15,736.96
13875	Dell Marketing LP	3,124.56
13876	Durabilt Fence LLC	17,749.99
13877	Excalibur Technology Corp.	4,087.85
13878	GFL Environmental Inc.	1,102.74
13879	Groot Inc.	1,920.67
13880	Hitchcock Design Inc.	1,299.26
13881	Olivia Hrobsky	1,300.00
13882	Olsen Tuckpointing Company	6,175.00
13883	Park District Risk Management	79,676.05
13884	RMC Mechanical Services	2,403.50
13885	Service Sanitation Inc.	1,714.83
13886	Sikich LLP	3,250.00
13887	Vans Enterprises Ltd.	1,125.00
13888	Verizon Wireless	1,365.64

Total General fund Checks for April 13th, 2021	\$	<u>171,398.33</u>
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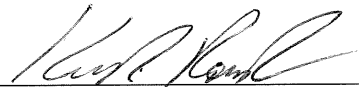
Presented the 13th day of April, 2021

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:

Approved the 13th day of April, 2021



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President, Board of Park Commissioners



ATTEST: Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners

Motion was approved by a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Bisesi, Bolash, Cooley, Ennis, Ford, Meehan, Savino  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

Supt. Klier reviewed the previously distributed first draft of the FY2021/2022 Expense Budget noting increased revenue will affect the expenditure budget. Adjustments have been made to reflect increased revenue from Summer Camp, Preschool, R.E.C. (formerly CARE) and Hockey registration. He reviewed each fund and advised he will continue to analyze any significant surge in registration and make adjustments accordingly. There were questions concerning increases to professional services and gymnastics program supplies.

**COMMITTEE/STAFF REPORTS**

Building and Grounds:

Supt. McKenna discussed his previously distributed board summary regarding the bids received on April 1<sup>st</sup> for fencing and synthetic turf associated with the Cardinal Drive Park Inclusive Playground Project. There was topic discussion.

Comm. Ennis moved the Board of Park Commissioners approve the bid from Peerless Fence, of West Chicago, IL in the amount of \$51,476.00 for fencing and the synthetic turf bid from Perfect Turf, of Rolling Meadows, IL in the amount of \$77,850.00. Motion seconded by Comm. Bisesi and passed by a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Bisesi, Bolash, Cooley, Ennis, Ford, Meehan, Savino

Nays: None

Absent: None

Recreation:

Dir. Romejko discussed his previously distributed board summary regarding the approval of an Intergovernmental License Agreement for the Operation of a Before and After school R.E.C. Program with Community Consolidate School District 15 (CCSD15) and the revisions made by Attorney Tabis. There was topic discussion.

Comm. Ennis moved the Board of Park Commissioners approve the revised Intergovernmental License Agreement between Community Consolidated School District 15 and Rolling Meadows Park District for Operation of a Before and After School R.E.C. Program. Motion seconded by Comm. Cooley and passed by a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Bisesi, Bolash, Cooley, Ennis, Ford, Meehan, Savino

Nays: None

Absent: None

Ice Arenas:

None

Policy:

None

#### **REPORT OF OFFICERS.**

President – Comm. Bolash thanked all for sharing their communications and correspondence amongst the Board.

Vice President – Comm. Savino commended Comm. Bolash for being careful and considerate in her responses/correspondence.

Treasurer – None

Secretary/Director–Dir. Romejko wanted to keep the Board apprised of a permit denial for a large group gathering at the pavilion in Kimball Hill Park, which requested music and amplified sound. He discussed why we were unable to permit the event.

Attorney – None

#### **MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

Comm. Ennis complimented the bird houses installed along the creek. Staff discussed the sanctuary birdhouse project orchestrated by the Senior Center woodshop members and Recreation staff. She advised Alderman Vinezeano suggested having a mural painted beneath the Kirchoff Road underpass. Staff advised the bridge property is owned by the City of Rolling Meadows.

Comm. Cooley inquired about the size of the food portion for the BBQ on Wheels meal respective to the \$27 price. Supt. Cahill was not sure if it was an individual size meal and noted there were multiple meat options available. He did not think it was a family size meal but would check and advise.

Comm. Bisesi commended the Parks staff on the McKenzie Field backstop renovations. She complimented the new tribute bench/bike repair station and the bird house sanctuary projects installed along the creek.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

President Bolash requested a motion to close the public portion of the meeting and convene in executive session pursuant to Illinois State Statute 5ILCS 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. Meehan moved and Comm. Ennis seconded the motion which was approved by a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Bisesi, Bolash, Cooley, Ennis, Ford, Meehan, Savino

Nays: None

Absent: None

Commissioners entered executive session at 8:51PM.

Comm. Savino moved and Comm. Bisesi seconded a motion for the Board of Park Commissioners to return to regular session at 10:53 PM. Motion was approved by a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Bisesi, Bolash, Cooley, Ennis, Ford, Meehan, Savino

Nays: None

Absent: None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION**

President Bolash reported the Board met in executive session for discussion regarding performance and compensation of a specific employee of the District. There was no action at this time.

**SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

Regular Board Meeting	April 27, 2021	7:30 PM
Regular Board Meeting	May 11, 2021	7:30 PM

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board on this date Comm. Meehan moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Comm. Ford seconded the motion at 10:54 PM. Motion was approved by a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Bisesi, Bolash, Cooley, Ennis, Ford, Meehan, Savino

Nays: None

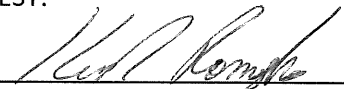
Absent: None

Presented this 27th day of April, 2021

Approved this 27th day of April, 2021

  
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President, Board of Park Commissioners

ATTEST:

  
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Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners