

**Springfield Park District
BOARD MEETING**

MINUTES

Thursday, September 21, 2017 – 5:30 p.m.

A meeting of the Springfield Park District Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bunn Administrative Office, 2500 South 11th Street, Springfield, Illinois.

Roll Call

Trustee Sgro called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and requested roll call.

Members Present: Trustees: Evans, Hammer, Jannazzo, Metcalf, Schmidt, Senor-Moore and President Sgro

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Derek Harms, Executive Director; Lynn Saputo, Director of Recreation; Stephen Flesch, Director of Finance & Administration; Rob Cross, Legal Counsel, Staff, Media & Public

Minutes of the August 17, 2017 Regular Board Meeting were presented.

Motion: To approve the August 17, 2017 Regular Board & Special Board Meeting minutes as presented

Moved by: Trustee Hammer

Seconded by: Trustee Senor-Moore

All approved by voice vote.

Public Comment

President Sgro asked if anyone wanted to address the Board. No one addressed the Board.

BUILDINGS & CONCESSIONS

Staff Report

Informational items only.

Private Funding Agreement with the Springfield Pickleball Club

Motion: Authorize Staff to execute a private funding Agreement with the Springfield Pickleball Club

Moved by: Trustee Evans
Seconded by: Trustee Hammer

Discussion: N/A

Roll Call: Evans: Aye Hammer: Aye Jannazzo: Aye Metcalf: Aye
 Schmidt: Aye Senor-Moore: Aye Sgro: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

LIAISON COMMITTEE

Staff Report
Informational Items Only.

LONG RANGE PLANNING

Staff Report
Informational Item Only.

RECREATION

Staff Report
Lynn Saputo, Director of Recreation gave a brief update on the following:

- Alexis Dhamrait, will present ideas next month for a Little Free Library
- Planning and inventory meetings have begun with Vermont Systems for the rec software
- An RFP for Vet Services at the Zoo is out and will be presented at the November meeting
- Rink Management Services met with Nelson Center staff and user groups
- Ribbon cutting for the Washington Park Bridge/Spillway project to be held September 26 at 5:00 p.m.

FINANCE & PERSONNEL

Staff Report

Informational Items Only.

Personnel Report

Informational Items Only.

Statement of Claims

Motion: To approve the Statement of Claims as presented by Trustee Jannazzo

Moved by: Trustee Jannazzo

Seconded by: Trustee Evans

Discussion: N/A

Roll Call: Evans: Aye Hammer: Aye Jannazzo: Aye Metcalf: Aye
 Schmidt: Aye Senor-Moore: Aye Sgro: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

GRANTS & MARKETING

Staff Report

Lynn Saputo, Director of Recreation gave a brief update on the following:

- The Carillon and Zoo will be featured in the spring publication of Midwest
- Hymn Fest will be held at the Carillon on September 24th at 3:00 p.m.
- Fur, Feather, Fin Fall Fling will be held September 30th at the Zoo from 10 am – 2 pm

BUSINESS

None at this Time.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Trustee Schmidt and seconded by Trustee Jannazzo that the meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

**Joint Buildings & Concessions, Liaison, Long Range Planning, Recreation;
Finance & Personnel; Grants & Marketing and Committee of the Whole Meeting**

MINUTES

September 13, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Trustees Evans, Hammer, Jannazzo, Metcalf, Schmidt and Senor-Moore

Members Absent: N/A

Others Present: President Sgro, Derek Harms, Executive Director; Elliott McKinley, Director of Parks; Stephen Flesch, Director of Finance & Administration; Staff, Media and public

A Joint Meeting of the Buildings & Concessions, Liaison, Long Range Planning, Recreation; Finance & Personnel; Grants & Marketing and Committee of the Whole was held on September 13, 2017 was held at 5:30 p.m.

Buildings & Concessions Committee

Staff Report

Informational only

Springfield Pickleball Clubs – Iles Park Proposal

Jack Handy asked the Board to consider approving a private funding and construction agreement with the Springfield Pickleball Club. The funds, from membership fees, would go toward resurfacing to the Iles Park Pickleball courts. The project timeline has yet to be determined. Staff recommends Board approval at the September meeting.

Liaison

Staff Report

Informational only

Long Range Planning

Staff Report

Elliott McKinley, Director of Parks & Planning, gave a brief update on the following:

- Penguin exhibit: Plumbing, electric and foundation are in and the project is on schedule
- Sangamon Valley Trail: Sangamon County will maintain as of presently

First Right of Refusal / Mill Creek Estates

Elliott McKinley, Director of Parks, informed the Board the Regional Planning Commission Plan requires by ordinance the land (approximately 5 acres) be offered to park district for sale. Public use and service areas are offered up to one year to determine if they are interested. The Board discussed if the property served a purpose in their future plans, pricing and development costs.

Kiwanis Park Proposal

Michael Ayorinde, International Soccer Club addressed the Board regarding:

- West field at Kiwanis Park is in bad shape.
- Porta-potties are an issue with use and servicing. They would like to ask the Park District to put in a restroom with one side for their organization (which they would maintain and keep locked for their club's use) and one side for the public. The current location is the best, but would be willing to change locations if better financially.
- Play area is for the very young children. Request an area for the older kids.
- Seeding and aerify field
- Parking spaces are limited for the larger events. They would like more parking

The masterplan addressed some of the concerns Mr. Ayorinde mentioned. The Board will work with him and their club.

Jermaine Jones, Springfield resident, Director of SHARE, addressed the Board regarding his concerns for the activities and services available for the youth in the Kiwanis Park area. He understands the International Soccer Club's interest in the area and would like to work with them for the betterment of the Kiwanis Park area. President Sgro asked Mr. Jones to work with Director Harms.

Recreation Committee

Staff Report

Derek Harms, Executive Director, gave a brief update on the following:

- Floral show preparation have begun
- Nelson Center: wide range of improvements to the facility
- Eisenhower Pool: Tile work in diving well
- Carillon Arts Spectacular was a huge success
- Carillon Society raised funds to install a (weather proof) video monitor to see Carillonneur play. Staff is working with Carillon Society to draft a private funding and construction agreement for Board consideration in November.
- Staff is working to prepare for upcoming events: Carve, JOLS and Zoolie Ghoulie

Finance & Personnel Committee

Staff Report

Finance

Informational only.

Personnel

Director Flesch noted:

- Out of State Travel: Brooke Farrell to attend the New work Primate Husbandry workshop in Colorado Springs
- AZA Accreditation in Indianapolis. Zoo Director's philosophy attendance to keep the zoo in a position to qualify for accreditation when time comes

Statement of Claims / Visa Bill

Trustee Jannazzo presented the Statement of Claims for Board review.

6:30 p.m. President Sgro left the meeting while in progress

Grants & Marketing

Staff Report – Grants

Informational only.

Staff Report – Marketing

Informational only.

Committee of the Whole

General Use Ordinance

Discussion of the General Use Ordinance was held and input received. Director Harms will present highlighted sections next month for further discussion.

6:53 p.m. Trustee Schmidt left the meeting while in progress

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.