



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT
Administration Center
410 N. Arlington Heights Road
January 9, 2024 at 6:30pm

President Leno called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:34pm

President Leno led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioners Present

M. Leno
T. Gelinas
R. Nesvacil
B. Owen
J. Supplitt

Commissioners Absent

None

Staff Present: Carrie Fullerton, Executive Director; Brian Meyer, Director of Recreation and Facilities; Jason Myers, Director of Finance and Personnel (remote); Amy Lewandowski, Director of Marketing and Community Engagement; Janna Witt, Superintendent of Finance, and Kathy Lydon, Recording Secretary.

Other Staff in Attendance: Sue Rohner (remote), Jennifer Rogers, Matt Turinsky, Steve Neill, Bryan Cox, and David Bibler

Others in Attendance: John Dzarnowski, FGM Architects

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Supplitt moved, seconded by Commissioner Owen, to approve the October 28, 2023 Joint AHPD/AHML minutes, the November 28, 2023 Public Hearing–Tax Levy minutes, the November 28, 2023 Public Hearing–Tax Park Bonds minutes, the November 28, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes, the November 28, 2023 Closed Session minutes, and the December 12, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes. On a voice vote, the motion was approved 5-0.

PRESENTATIONS & INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

UPDATED DRAFT ARC RECOMMENDATIONS

Executive Director Fullerton started the conversation by saying the potential ARC Locker Room project was put on pause once discussions began about potentially razing the Recreation Park Community Center. Being that both facilities are located in the center of town, staff wanted to also explore options to potentially create space at ARC to accommodate the programs currently held at the Recreation Park Community Center.

John Dzarnowski of FGM Architects stated the previous design development for the potential ARC project came in at \$1.2 million. He explained what was included in the original design before presenting the updated proposed plan. Mr. Dzarnowski answered questions the Board had regarding the potential new plan. Additional fitness space, preschool space and wet changing rooms were discussed.

Vice President Gelinias asked Director Myers if the District has the funds to do the updated proposed project. Director Myers responded that the timeline for other projects may need to be adjusted in order to do this project. Executive Director Fullerton said prioritizing upcoming potential projects can be discussed at the Board Workshop in February. Staff will create a report further describing the updated plan recommendation.

PRESENTATION ON TENTATIVE PRAIRIE PARK PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT DESIGN

Park Planner Rohner shared drawings from two different playground manufacturers for potential playground equipment for Prairie Park. Park Planner Rohner suggested a farm theme because the land was originally purchased many years ago with the idea making it a working farm.

Executive Director Fullerton stated this project will be coming to the Board through the capital budgeting process, which will be discussed at the next meeting. Once the Board provides feedback, Park Planner Rohner will present the drawings to the public to vote on which design they like best. Commissioner Nesvacil suggested including Lacrosse families in the survey since they utilize Prairie Park for games.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF GOLF EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

Superintendent Cox said using funds from 2023-24 budget allocated for golf capital purchases, staff is requesting approval of the purchase of three pieces of golf equipment. The total cost for this equipment comes in under the budgeted amount of \$133,100. All items will be purchased from Reinders, Inc. as part of the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program.

Commissioner Nesvacil moved, seconded by Commissioner Owen, to approve the purchase of a greens mower as part of the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program in the amount of \$51,800.04; the purchase of a green's roller as part of the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program in the amount of \$17,687.40; and the purchase of a workman utility cart as part of the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program in the amount of \$35,256.03, all from Reinders, Inc.

Roll was called with:

Ayes – Nesvacil, Owen, Gelinias, Supplitt, Leno

Nays – None

Absent – None

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0; MOTION CARRIED

PARK FOUNDATION REPORT

Director Lewandowski had no report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Fullerton updated the Board on the following:

- The Mayor's Prayer Breakfast will be on Thursday, February 1, from 7:00-9:00am. Executive Director Fullerton asked if any Board members would like to attend. Commissioner Supplitt said he would.
- School District 23 has agreed to renew and update the existing agreement for Carousel Park.
- Executive Director Fullerton said the District is largely through the design development drawings for the first phase of Recreation Park. Hitchcock has proposed some storm water solutions that Executive Director is not in favor of. Executive Director Fullerton said after discussing Hitchcock's plan with President Leno, it was decided that Executive Director Fullerton will go back to Hitchcock and ask them to look at all three phases of the project and potentially come up with one solution using the dollars that was allocated for all three.
- Executive Director Fullerton invited the Board to join her tomorrow night at 7:00pm for the first phase of the Arlington Heights Facebook Moms Listening Tour at The ARC.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- Commissioner Nesvacil will not be available to attend the February 13th Board Meeting. He is also not able to make the February 24th Joint Meeting with the Village and Comprehensive Plan Board Workshop.
- President Leno said she is not able to attend the March 12th Board Meeting.
- Commissioner Supplitt said he is tentative for the February 13th Board Meeting.
- Vice President Gelinias stated he may miss the March 12th Board Meeting as well.
- President Leno suggested if staff moves forward with the potential ARC project, a report should be written up in regards to what programs would be moved over from Rec Park and/or added to The ARC.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Owen, moved, seconded by Commissioner Nesvacil to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:09pm. On a voice vote, the motion was approved 5-0

Carrie A. Fullerton, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
Arlington Heights Park District

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Board of Commissioners
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Date Approved