

Alsip Park District Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Committee/Board Meeting
September 16, 2019

- Par. 1 **CALL TO ORDER**
President Becker called to order the Meeting of the Alsip Park District Board of Commissioners at 6:30 pm.
- Par. 2 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Those in attendance gave the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Par. 3 **ROLL CALL**
The Secretary called the Roll, and there were present Commissioners Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and President Becker. Absent was Commissioner Perretta. A quorum was present.
- Par. 4 **PRESENTATION OF MINUTES**
Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to approve the Meeting Minutes of August 26, 2019, as presented. Motion carried by voice vote 4 – 0.
- Par. 5 **PUBLIC DISCUSSION**
There was no public in attendance.
- Par. 6 **SECRETARY’S REPORT**
Secretary Poremba read a Thank You note from Commissioner Schmitt for the kindness extended to him during his recent illness.
- Par. 7 **PUBLIC HEARING**
Attorney Cainkar reported that a Public Hearing regarding the sale of up to \$1,000,000.00 in General Obligation Bonds was scheduled for the Meeting.
- Par. 8 President Becker called to order the Public Hearing at 6:32 pm. She invited questions or comments from the public on the tentative ordinance approving the sale of the General Obligation Bonds. There were no questions or comments to come before the Board.
- Par. 9 President Becker closed the Public Hearing at 6:33 pm.
- Par. 10 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
FINANCE
Business Office Manager
Cathy Krydynski’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 11 Manager Krydynski reported that the new auditing firm was expected in the next week to begin the annual audit.

- Par. 12 Motion made by Commissioner Schmitt, seconded by Commissioner Kleina, to approve payment of the bills for the month of September 2019 in the amount of \$315,490.92. Roll was called with Commissioners Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and Becker voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 13 RECREATION
Superintendent
Greg Hooper’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 14 Superintendent Hooper reported receiving notice of a possible “Placemaking” grant (making
** a community a better place to live) from the Mainstreet Organization of Realtors. He said an area along the Cal-Sag Trail near Rte. 83 was being considered as the site proposed for enhancement, which could include signage, benches, and a table.
- Par. 15 Recreation Supervisor
Denise Michalski’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 16 Preschool/Recreation Supervisor
Rebecca Perkaus’ Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 17 ATHLETICS
Supervisor
Brad Burke’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 18 AQUATICS/FITNESS
Manager
Leslie Guerrero’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 19 PARKS/MAINTENANCE
Superintendent
Daren McLaughlin’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 20 GOLF COURSE
Operations Manager
Rich Gottardo’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 21 MAIN OFFICE
Manager
Donna Smith’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 22 President Becker excused the staff at 6:44 pm.
- Par. 23 **DIRECTOR’S REPORT**
Director Huber’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 24 Laramie Park Redevelopment
** Director Huber reported a change to the detention pond configuration is being considered to increase its length and reduce penetration into the green space.

- Par. 25 Director Huber reported Superintendent McLaughlin and his staff will be handling the playground demolition, which will save on costs. She added that soil borings are required before project installation can begin and recommended approval of her motion.
- Par. 26 Mary J Lynch Skate Park Redevelopment
** Director Huber reported discussion continues on equipment selections as well as type of surface material.
- Par. 27 Apollo Recreation Center
** Director Huber reminded the Board of the closely denied 2013 PARC Grant Application for the Apollo Recreation Center. She asked for opinions on revisiting the plan before another opportunity comes up. She noted that such grant applications have short turn-around-times and it could be helpful to be prepared with an updated plan in place. The general consensus of the board was it would be a wise move to look into it with the design firm.
- Par. 28 Cal-Sag Trail
** Director Huber reported there has been no major activity on the east end development.
- Par. 29 Coffee With a Commissioner
** Director Huber reported that she and Commissioner Gutierrez were working out details for drop-in coffee invitations for residents.
- Par. 30 Foundation Charter
** Director Huber reported she would be attending a workshop on creating a foundation.
- Par. 31 Motions
Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to ratify the approval of the test services (soil boring) by Soil and Material Consultants at Laramie Park in the amount of \$2,855.00. Roll was called with Commissioners Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and President Becker voting yes. Motion carried 4 - 0.
- Par. 32 Motion made by Commissioner Gutierrez, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to pass the resolution approving the release of certain closed session meeting minutes of the Alsip Park Board of Commissioners. Roll was called with Commissioners Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and President Becker voting yes. Motion carried 4 - 0.
- Par. 33 **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**
** Attorney Cainkar explained that the \$1,000,000.00 figure mentioned in the Public Hearing was only an estimate in order to ensure tax revenue remains steady. He added that the number may change, depending on the next EAV.
- Par. 34 **NEW BUSINESS**
** Commissioner Kleina asked if any scheduling had been proposed yet for the Laramie Park Splash Pad in 2021 and if it would match the schedule for Sprayfari. Director Huber reported that it had only generally been discussed.
- Par. 35 Commissioner Kleina asked if a revamp of the dance program had been considered in light of declining registrations. She noted it was the District's oldest program and it deserves support.

- Par. 36
** Director Huber responded that it periodically gets reviewed but she will take the idea under advisement.
- Par. 37 **OLD BUSINESS**
Director Huber reported that the comic book convention appeared to be successful for the rental party, and the District's concessions did very well. The tenant had to rent additional display tables over and above those included in the rental agreement because he had "rented out" the District's allotment of tables. He has asked to be allowed to repeat the event.
- Par. 38
** Director Huber reviewed some considerations in regard to the conversion of her annual contract from a calendar to fiscal year schedule. She noted a single short-term contract would be necessary to cover the employment from the end of one year till April 30, 2020.
- Par. 39 **ADJOURNMENT**
Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to adjourn the Meeting. Motion carried by voice vote 4 – 0.
- Par. 40 The Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Poremba, Board Secretary

** Denotes follow-up action required