

Alsip Park District Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Meeting
Apollo Recreation Center
September 28, 2020

- Par. 1 **CALL TO ORDER**
President Perretta called to order the Meeting of the Alsip Park District Board of Commissioners at 6:32 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 Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and President Perretta. A quorum was present.
- Par. 4 **PRESENTATION OF MINUTES**
Motion made by Commissioner Schmitt, seconded by Commissioner Becker, to approve the minutes for July 27, 2020, and August 2, 2020, as presented. Motion carried by voice vote 5 – 0.
- Par. 5 **PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION**
Attorney Cainkar called to order a Public Hearing at 6:33 pm. He announced the Hearing had been published in a newspaper of general circulation for the purpose of taking questions on the proposal to sell non-referendum bonds in an amount not to exceed \$900,000 for the purpose of payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing facilities of the District. There being no questions or comments, Attorney Cainkar adjourned the Hearing at 6:34 pm.
- Par. 6 **SECRETARY’S REPORT**
Secretary Poremba reported there would be a Consolidated Election on Tuesday, April 6, 2021, to fill one 2-year and two 4-year seats expiring on the Board of Commissioners. She announced that filing of nominating papers commences at 9:30 pm Monday, December 14, 2020, and concludes on Monday, December 21, 2020, at 5:00 pm.
- Par. 7 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
FINANCE
Business Manager
Cathy Krydynski’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 8 Director Huber reported that Manager Krydynski had been working with Sickich LLP, the
*** accounting firm conducting the annual audit. She added the audit was almost completed.
- Par. 9 Motion made by Commissioner Becker, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to approve
payment of bills for the month of September 2020 in the amount of \$271,314.29. Roll was called
with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and Perretta voting yes. Motion carried
5 – 0.

- Par. 10 **RECREATION**
Superintendent
Greg Hooper's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 11 Director Huber reported Open Gym started September 21, 2020, and all Covid-19 protocols
** would be adhered to, with things getting closer to normal. She reported the department was rethinking popular events, giving special attention to sustaining elements of Santa's Landing, perhaps holding something else outside and/or making the holiday celebration a multi-day event.
- Par. 12 Director Huber reported he next major event for attention was modifying the Halloween Carnival
** and Trick or Trunk for Covid protocols. An outdoor movie is also being considered.
- Par. 13 Supervisor
Denise Michalski's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 14 Director Huber reported that the modified Car Show and the Day of Play had been completed and went off successfully.
- Par. 15 **PRESCHOOL**
Supervisor
Rebecca Perkaus' Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 16 Director Huber reported that the Preschool, Kidz Care, and Partners Before and After School
** programs had good participation with everyone adjusting well. She recommended designating a number of pieces of child-sized furniture as surplus as the District is running out of room to store them. President Perretta opened the floor for a brief discussion on keeping enough of the new furniture so additional pieces won't have to be purchased once the Covid protocols are terminated. Director Huber will confirm the adequacy of the remaining furniture before sale.
- Par. 17 Motion made by Commissioner Gutierrez, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to approve labeling 7 round preschool tables, 2 horseshoe-shaped preschool tables and up to 36 preschool chairs as surplus equipment. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, and Schmitt Voting yes, and Commissioners Kleina and Perretta voting no. Motion carried 3 – 2.
- Par. 18 **ATHLETICS**
Supervisor
Brad Burke's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 19 Director Huber reported the Fishing Derby, though small, turned out to be a fun day for the participants. She added everyone had been able to maintain social distancing.
- Par. 20 Director Huber reported people had been caught fishing at one of the golf course ponds.
** They had deceitfully rented golf carts and used them to carry their equipment to the pond to fish instead of playing golf. Commissioner Gutierrez reported that police occasionally had chased fishermen from the pond after it was closed at night. Director Huber stated that there was no ordinance against fishing in the ponds; however, she will get a "No Fishing" sign put up and police will now be called when fishing is detected.

- Par. 21 **AQUATICS/FITNESS**
Manager
Leslie Guerrero's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 22 Director Huber reported the shortened 2020 swim season was over and went well.
- Par. 23 Director Huber reported that fitness programs had begun and people commented they were happy to resume their classes and/or use the fitness centers.
- Par. 24 **PARKS/MAINTENANCE**
Superintendent
Daren McLaughlin's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 25 Superintendent McLaughlin reported the need for repairs to the filter at Aquatic Park. He also
** reported that during recent storms a tree had fallen from a resident's yard onto the fence line at Wilkins Park. The tree has been removed, however, repairs to the fence are still needed. The superintendent reported another tree removal project had been handled on the fence line at the Skate Park.
- Par. 26 Motion made by Commissioner Becker, seconded by Commissioner Kleina, to ratify the Sprinkler System Repair at the Apollo Recreation Center by Reliable Fire and Security in the amount not exceed \$1,380.50. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- Par. 27 **GOLF COURSE**
Operations Manager
Rich Gottardo's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 28 Director Huber reported the Goosinator had not yet been purchased because the goose population
** seemed to be decreased and she wanted to give the new equipment a fair and adequate trial.
- Par. 29 Director Huber reported the concrete mop basin in the janitor's closet has been broken for some time and the drain pipes can no longer be rodded out. She recommended approval of the cost for a new mop basin. Additional proposals will be solicited.
- Par. 30 Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to approve the removal and installation of a new concrete mop basin at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.81. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- Par. 31 **MAIN OFFICE**
Manager
Donna Smith's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 32 Director Huber reported that the RecTrac software was due to be upgraded and the company would no longer service the system after the end of the year. She recommended approval of the upgrade to the new 3.1 system and added that RecTrac is among the best systems available.

- Par. 33 Motion made by Commissioner Schmitt, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to approve an upgrade of the Vermont Systems RecTrac to 3.1 Migration at a cost not to exceed \$15,000.00. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- Par. 34 **ANNOUNCEMENT**
Director Huber and Commissioner Schmitt each took a moment to congratulate the staff on a successful summer that went beyond the norm for complications and hard work. Director Huber expressed a big thank you to the entire staff for a job well done during the Covid crisis.
- Par. 35 **DIRECTOR’S REPORT**
Director Huber’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 36 Aquatic Park Roof
** Director Huber reported the District had received seven bids for the aquatic building roofing project and recommended approval of the apparent low bid.
- Par. 37 Apollo Park Update
** Director Huber reported work had been done to the safety surface but the patching was not satisfactory as footprints marred the integrity of the solar system design. Another attempt with better communication will be made.
- Par. 38 Laramie Park
** Director Huber reported that a number of small problems had arisen at the new park and been handled. Most notable is that the construction drawings and the splash pad plumbing don’t correlate, and she insists the contractor test the lines before the cement is poured. The director added a request for approval of the cost for removal of the newly discovered foundation base and the cost for new electrical service at the park.
- Par. 39 Rt83/127th St
Director Huber reported the updated lease agreement with the MWRD was ready for approval.
- Par. 40 Cal-Sag Trail
Director Huber reported that letting for the next phase of the Trail was set for 2021.
- Par. 41 IAPD Conference
Director Huber reminded the commissioners about the virtual workshops that will be available in conjunction with the annual conference.
- Par. 42 Cook County Grant Availability
** Director Huber reported a \$5,000.00 grant was available from Cook County for Covid-related expenses. She has submitted the necessary application.
- Par. 43 Motions
Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Becker, to ratify the ComEd agreement for electrical service at Laramie Park in the amount of \$835.50. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- Par. 44 Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to ratify Change Order #7 from Integral Construction in the amount of \$777.00 for the removal of underground foundation walls. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- Par. 45 Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to ratify Change Order #6 from Integral Construction in the amount of \$6,438.00 for the water line disconnect, new water line service, and installation. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- Par. 46 Motion made by Commissioner Gutierrez, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to approve the base bid from DCG Roofing Solutions in the amount of \$126,893.00 for the pool roof replacement. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- Par. 47 Motion made by Commissioner Gutierrez, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to approve the Ordinance 2020-04, an Ordinance of the Alsip Park District, Cook County, IL approving a fourth extension to a lease agreement with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago for 79.931 acres of land located along the Cal-Sag Channel between Ridgeland Ave and Pulaski Road. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, Schmitt, and Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- Par. 48 **NEW BUSINESS**
President Perretta inquired about a damaged tree on south end of the Trail being either on District or Commonwealth Edison property. Director Huber reported the tree had been looked and it was determined to be on Edison property.
- Par. 49 **OLD BUSINESS**
Commissioner Becker noted that the New Lenox softball group was interested in renting the Commissioners Park ballfields for a number of tournaments. Director Huber reported she had experienced a lack of communication between herself and the tournament director. Commissioner Becker with follow up with the New Lenox organization.
- Par. 50 **ATTORNEY’S REPORT**
No report.
- Par. 51 **ADJOURNMENT**
Motion made by Commissioner Schmitt, seconded by Commissioner Kleina, to adjourn the Meeting. Motion carried by voice vote 5 – 0.
- Par. 52 The Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Poremba, Board Secretary

** Denotes follow-up action required