

Alsip Park District Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Meeting
March 22, 2021

- Par. 1 **CALL TO ORDER**
President Perretta 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 Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, and President Perretta. Absent was Commissioner Schmitt. A quorum was present.
- Par. 4 **PRESENTATION OF MINUTES**
Motion made by Commissioner Kleina seconded by Commissioner Becker, to approve the Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2021, as presented. Motion carried by voice vote 4 – 0.
- Par. 5 **SECRETARY’S REPORT**
Secretary Poremba reported the closing date had passed for declaration of write-in candidates in the Consolidated Election on April 6, 2021. She also noted the filing of the district’s list of Statement of Economic Interest required filers. Everyone was advised to check their email for a notice for Cook County.
- Par. 6 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
FINANCE
Business Manager
Sue Breusch’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 7 Director Huber reported receipt of multiple quotes from auditing firms. The lowest was from Illinois NFP Audit and Tax, LLP for three years.
- Par. 8 Motion made by Commissioner Becker, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to approve the auditing service of Illinois NFP Audit and Tax, LLP for the Fiscal Year End 2021 at \$9,750.00, 2022 at \$9,750,00, and 2023 at \$9,750.00. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, and President Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 9 Motion made by Commissioner Becker, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to approve payment of bills for the month of March 2021 in the amount of \$239,215.91. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, and President Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

- Par. 10 **RECREATION**
Superintendent
Greg Hooper's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 11 Superintendent Hooper reported an increase in Open Gym participation and attendance at the fitness centers. He reported on Easter programs planned with COVID mitigation rules in mind, such as staggered times and different locations. He also presented for approval a new Facility Use Agreement between the District and the Alsip Falcons Football and Cheerleading.
- Par. 12 Director Huber reported new specifics had been released on COVID mitigation. However, there were no beneficial changes that could improve numbers or allowances for room maximums, bus occupation as for field trips, social distancing, or swimming pool limits.
- Par. 13 Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to approve the 2021 Facility Use Agreement for the Alsip Falcons. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, and President Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 14 Supervisor
Denise Michalski's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 15 **PRE-SCHOOL**
Supervisor
Rebecca Perkaus' Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 16 **ATHLETICS**
Supervisor
Brad Burke's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 17 Director Huber reported the new indoor soccer league allows masked spectators seated in the gymnasium.
- Par. 18 **AQUATICS/FITNESS**
Manager
Leslie Guerrero's Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 19 Director Huber presented committee recommendations for the pool opening, various fees, hours, and a pass option for the tentative 2021 aquatic season. A very lengthy discussion ensued regarding the mutual benefits of offering individual passes for the season, occupation limits, visit limits for open and lap swims, and the need for an initial opening with two-hour time slots that could be adjusted depending on COVID mitigation updates.
- Par. 20 Motion made by Commissioner Gutierrez, seconded by Commissioner Becker, to approve the Aquatic Operation for the 2021 season, including individual pass rates for persons ages 2 and up of R\$40/NR\$80 and daily fees of \$7R/\$14 NR. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, and President Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

- Par. 21 **PARKS/MAINTENANCE**
Superintendent
Daren McLaughlin’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 22 Director Huber reported winter kills of fish at Commissioners and Sears Parks. She added the
** Illinois Department of Natural Resources would be providing fish to restock the pond as
Commissioners Park, with the District handling Sears Park. Director Huber mentioned having
been contacted by a resident who would like to help with any restocking.
- Par. 23 Director Huber reported emergency repairs were made to the Aquatic Park rooftop furnace.
- Par. 24 Motion made by Commissioner Becker, seconded by Commissioner Kleina, to ratify the
emergency repairs to the Aquatic Park rooftop furnace by Key West mechanical at a cost not to
exceed \$3,555.44. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, and President
Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 25 **GOLF COURSE**
Operations Manager
Rich Gottardo’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 26 Director Huber reported there had been some interest in the “volunteer for golf” program and
five of six of last year’s volunteers were willing to return.
- Par. 27 Director Huber reported pricing for used beverage carts had been researched, with the best price
coming from the current cart supplier.
- Par. 28 Director Huber reported the receipt of a proposal for a two-year contract extension from
ServiScape with no price increase for maintenance and care of the golf course.
- Par. 29 Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to approve the
purchase of the existing leased beverage cart through Harris Golf Cars in an amount of
\$7,150.00. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, and President Perretta
voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 30 Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Becker, to approve the
2-year extension with ServiScape for golf course maintenance in the amount of \$275,702.00
from April 1, 2021 – March 31, 2023. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez,
Kleina, and President Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 31 Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Becker, to label the driving
range cart as surplus. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, and
President Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 32 **MAIN OFFICE**
Manager
Donna Smith’s Board Report was placed on file.

- Par. 33 Director Huber reported the updated Vermont RecTrac computer system would be installed in
** the fall.
- Par. 34 **DIRECTOR’S REPORT**
Director Huber’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 35 SWSRA Fundraiser
** Director Huber reported a successful weekend carnival had been held as a fundraising effort by
the Hickory Hills Park District. She invited comments on doing something similar as a joint
effort with the SWSRA. It was the consensus of the Board that she look into the possibility.
- Par. 36 Bank Resolution
Director Huber recommended passing the resolution from Republic Bank for authorized agents.
- Par.37 Apollo Park Update
** Director Huber reported only warranty items remain. The District awaits final paperwork before
issuing the final payout to the contractor.
- Par. 38 COVID-19 Updates
** Director Huber reported a 2021 Fun Fest with fireworks is under consideration.
- Par. 39 Budget
** Director Huber reported discussions on the 2021/2022 budget were ongoing.
- Par. 40 Laramie Park/OSLAD Grant Update
** Director Huber reported she would be submitting paperwork for the Laramie Park grant
reimbursement. She noted a Grand Opening would be held later in the season, once more of the
project has been completed, e.g., the zip line repaired/adjusted and the rain garden installed.
- Par. 41 Cal-Sag Trail Update
** Director Huber reported the ICC petition was in process. Once approved, the agreement with
Arkema should proceed.
- Par. 42 Director Huber reported work by the Illinois Department of Transportation is still planned for
** the area of Rte. 83 and 127th during the year and will require trail closure. She has
requested notification before IDOT closes down the trail.
- Par. 43 Skate Park
** Director Huber reported on receipt of a suggestion for a “pump track” adjacent to the existing
skate park. She added the possibility of in-house construction will be followed up.
- Par. 44 PARC Grant
** Director Huber reported the District was selected by the Illinois Department of Natural
Resources for receipt of one of the Park and Construction Facility Construction (PARC) “brick
and mortar” grants in the amount of \$2,500,000.00, with a 25% matching requirement.

- Par. 45 Motion
Motion made by Commissioner Kleina, seconded by Commissioner Becker, to pass a Resolution Designating Authorized Agents for the Alsip Park District Accounts and Investment Held at Republic Bank of Chicago and Oak Brook, Illinois. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Kleina, and President Perretta voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 46 **ATTORNEY’S REPORT**
No report.
- Par. 47 **NEW BUSINESS**
** Commissioner Gutierrez suggested the walking paths be marked for distances. Director Huber will follow up.
- Par. 48 Commissioner Gutierrez recommended an outdoor chess table be included in the plans for the PARC Grant project. A brief discussion ensued and it was agreed the table would be a feasible addition to the project.
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- Par. 49 **OLD BUSINESS**
** Commissioner Kleina requested an additional, larger bench for Creekside Park. Director Huber will determine if/where room for another bench might be found.
- Par. 50 **ADJOURNMENT**
Motion made by Commissioner Gutierrez, seconded by Commissioner Kleina, to adjourn the Meeting. Motion carried by voice vote 4 – 0.
- Par. 51 The Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Poremba, Board Secretary

** Denotes follow-up action required