

Alsip Park District Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Meeting
September 27, 2021

- Par. 1 **CALL TO ORDER**
President Kleina 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, Schmitt, and President Kleina. Absent was Commissioner Perretta. A quorum was present.
- Par. 4 **PRESENTATION OF MINUTES**
Motion made by Commissioner Schmitt, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to approve the Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2021, as presented. Motion carried by voice vote 4 – 0.
- Par. 5 **PUBLIC DISCUSSION**
No public was in attendance.
- Par. 6 **PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION**
Attorney Cainkar called to order a Public Hearing at 6:31 pm. He read the duly published notice of the Hearing on the proposal to sell nonreferendum bonds in an amount not to exceed \$950,000.00 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 6:32 pm.
- Par. 7 **SECRETARY’S REPORT**
Secretary Poremba presented a beautiful hand-made Thank You card from Mrs. Mary Jane Schneider. In the card Mrs. Schneider expressed her profound appreciation for the memorial brick purchased in honor of her late husband Commissioner Robert J Schneider for placement in the Alsip Park District Memorial Garden.
- Par. 8 Secretary Poremba took a moment to express her sincerest gratitude for the installation of the commemorative brick placed in the Memorial Garden acknowledging Mr. Eddie Poremba as “our public”, a position he took very seriously for almost 20 years of meeting attendance.
- Par. 9 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
FINANCE
Business Manager
Sue Breusch’s Board Report was placed on file.

- Par. 10
** Director Huber reported the new phone system had been hooked up but a number of bugs had to be worked out yet.
- Par. 11 Motion made by Commissioner Becker seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to approve payment of bills for the month of September 2021 in the amount of \$338,217.62. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Schmitt, and President Kleina voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 12 RECREATION
Superintendent
Greg Hooper’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 13 Superintendent Hooper reported the Healthy Minds/Healthy Bodies program had picked up a few more participants in the fitness center. He added that the Fall Fest Festival was in preparation for October 30, complete with the return of long-time favorite Pumpkin Patch.
- Par. 14 Recreation Supervisor
Denise Michalski’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 15 Director reported that the IBEW was helping out with other Park District events.
- Par. 16 Preschool/Camp Supervisor
Rebecca Perkaus’ Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 17 Supervisor Perkaus reported there had been some recent transportation issues with the park van and the troublesome van would be advertised for sale through the governmental site.
- Par. 18 ATHLETICS
Athletic Supervisor
Chuck Summerville’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 19 Director Huber reported that a few girls softball teams had rented the fields, bringing in extra visitors and concession sales.
- Par. 20 AQUATICS/FITNESS
Manager
Leslie Guerrero’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 21 Manager Guerrero reported the 2021 swim season had turned out better than expected and a big improvement over 2019.
- Par. 22 PARKS/MAINTENANCE
Superintendent
Daren McLaughlin’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 23
** Superintendent McLaughlin reported there were a number of serious issues needing repair on the path at Commissioners Park. He added that he had contacted three separate contractors for quotes. Commissioner Schmitt requested that the work be done in stages so the path could remain open.

- Par. 24 Superintendent McLaughlin reported he had contacted skatelite, a maker of skate ramps and surfaces to inquire about the cost of new 4 x12 foot sheets to make all needed repairs while the District awaits the status of the grant application.
- Par. 25 Motion made by Commissioner Becker, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt to approve repairs to the Commissioners Park path at a cost not to exceed \$10,703.00. Roll was called with Commissioner Becker, Gutierrez, Schmitt, and President Kleina voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 26 Motion made by Commissioner Becker, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to approve purchasing Skatelite material to make repairs to the Skate Park not to exceed \$8,295.16. Roll was called with Commissioner Becker, Gutierrez, Schmitt, and President Kleina voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 27 **GOLF COURSE**
Operations Manager
Rich Gottardo’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 28 Manager Gottardo reported a busier golf season than 2019 and a very strong summer concert season.
- Par. 29 **MAIN OFFICE**
Manager
Donna Smith’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 30 Manager Smith reported the staff was reviewing training videos for the new RecTrac migration.
- Par. 31 **DIRECTOR’S REPORT**
Director Huber’s Board Report was placed on file.
- Par. 32 National Conference
Director Huber’s reported that it was both rewarding and satisfying to see the Apollo Park update a featured part of the Playworld advertisement.
- Par. 33 Storm Sewer
Director Huber requested a motion to ratify a signature for the Easement Agreement for an MWRD Parcel to allow the Village of Alsip access to a storm sewer. Motion made by Commissioner Schmitt, seconded to Commissioner Becker, to ratify the Village of Alsip to be granted access to the storm sewer. Roll was call with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Schmitt, and President Kleina voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 34 Director Huber reported the need to authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to execute a Bond Engagement Letter for 2021 from STIFEL financial services company for the bond sale. Motion made by Commissioner Becker, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez, to authorize the Director to execute the Bond Engagement Letter. Roll was called with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Schmitt, and President Kleina voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Par. 35 Motion made by Commissioner Schmitt, seconded by Commissioner Becker, to label the 2003 Ford E350 vehicle as surplus to dispose of on govedeals.com. Roll was call with Commissioners Becker, Gutierrez, Schmitt, and President Kleina voting yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

- Par. 36 **NEW BUSINESS**
There was no New Business to come before the Board.
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- Par. 38 **ADJOURNMENT**
Motion made by Commissioner Schmitt, seconded by Commissioner Becker, to adjourn the Meeting. Motion carried by voice vote 4 – 0.
- Par. 39 The Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Poremba, Board Secretary

** Denotes follow-up action required