

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PLEASURE DRIVEWAY AND PARK DISTRICT OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS, HELD AT 6:30 P.M., SEPTEMBER 23, 2020 HELD AT THE BONNIE NOBLE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Trustees Joseph Cassidy, Joyce Harant, Jacqueline Petty, Nancy Snowden (v), Mic Williams (v), and President Robert Johnson

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Vice President Matt Ryan

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director Emily Cahill, Attorney Bill Streeter, Karrie Ross, Brent Wheeler, Matt Freeman, Becky Fredrickson, Shalesse Pie, Mike Friberg, Mike Miller, Nick Conrad, Willie Howe, Scot Loftus, Greg Walker, Chief Todd Green, Phoebe Hughes, David Gray, and Brittany Moldenhauer.

1) CALL TO ORDER

President Robert Johnson presided and called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

2) ROLL CALL

3) MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All stood for a moment of silence and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

4) MINUTES:

- 4.A. Approval of Minutes of August 26, 2020 – Public Meeting  
Nancy Snowden MOVED TO APPROVE the minutes of August 26, 2020. Motion seconded by Jacqueline Petty and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Joseph Cassidy (Aye), Joyce Harant (Aye), Jacqueline Petty (Aye), Nancy Snowden (Aye), Mic Williams (Aye), and President Robert Johnson (Aye). (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays)

5) STAFF REPORTS:

5.A. Human Resources

Shalesse Pie presented the Board with the quarterly diversity employment report. Trustee Jacqueline Petty asked for clarification on the minority numbers. Pie discussed the figures and provided detail on the amounts. Staff looks forward to continuing past the COVID challenges and returning to pre-COVID employment rates.

5.B. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Emily Cahill talked about new programming the District is providing to meet the needs of homeschool, virtual learning and other non-traditional learning families. These programs include: Beyond School, a STEAM program that consists of classes taught by RiverPlex, Environmental and Interpretive Services, and PlayHouse staff. Real Tools, a continuation of the Peoria Playhouse feature. PlayHouse Everywhere, a newly created PlayHouse membership offers families access to a myriad of activities and programs each month. Dream squared is an

ongoing Proctor Recreation Center program that enhances the virtual learning experience for students.

Trustee Joyce Harant asked if these programs could be featured in real time to for promotional purposed. Cahill noted the social media team is discussing this potential opportunity.

Trustee Petty requested information on qualified scholarship application data. Cahill said we are planning to track these numbers and keep her updated.

## 6) COMMITTEE REPORT:

### 6.A. Finance Committee Approval of Accounts Payable

Trustee Snowden reported the finance committee had examined the bills and moved that the President and Secretary be authorized to issue orders on the Treasurer for the several amounts:

#### PAYROLL #15 7/24/2020

GENERAL FUND	\$153,661.07
RECREATION FUND	\$82,039.60
LIABILITY FUND	\$2,576.92
MUSEUM FUND	\$29,877.32
POLICE FUND	\$7,665.27
DETWEILLER MARINA FUND	\$-
GOLF FUND	\$49,668.35
HISRA FUND	\$35,261.71
RIVERFRONT FUND	\$5,219.17
RIVERPLEX FUND	<u>\$28,614.61</u>
TOTAL ALL PAYROLLS	\$394,584.02

#### PAYROLL #16 8/7/2020

GENERAL FUND	\$156,654.88
RECREATION FUND	\$81,910.08
LIABILITY FUND	\$2,576.92
MUSEUM FUND	\$29,877.32
POLICE FUND	\$8,051.77
DETWEILLER MARINA FUND	\$-
GOLF FUND	\$50,249.81

HISRA FUND	\$31,094.11
RIVERFRONT FUND	\$5,486.43
RIVERPLEX FUND	<u>\$31,342.99</u>
TOTAL ALL PAYROLLS	\$397,244.31

PAYROLL #17 8/21/2020

GENERAL FUND	\$153,753.41
RECREATION FUND	\$79,115.05
LIABILITY FUND	\$2,576.92
MUSEUM FUND	\$29,895.39
POLICE FUND	\$8,402.77
DETWEILLER MARINA FUND	\$-
GOLF FUND	\$51,302.47
HISRA FUND	\$21,524.66
RIVERFRONT FUND	\$5,504.41
RIVERPLEX FUND	<u>\$32,428.11</u>
TOTAL ALL PAYROLLS	\$384,503.19

Nancy Snowden MOVED TO approve the payroll. Motion seconded by Joe Cassidy and carried on a roll call vote: Trustees Joseph Cassidy (Aye), Joyce Harant (Aye), Jacqueline Petty (Aye), Nancy Snowden (Aye), Mic Williams (Aye) and President Robert Johnson (Aye). (6 Ayes – 0 Nays)

6.B. Golf Ad Hoc Minutes: August 2020

Receive and file

6.C. Planning Committee: August 2020

Moved to approve staff recommendation of the placing of Will Flynn Memorial Bench in Bradley Park.

Joyce Harant MOVED TO approve the recommendation. Motion seconded by Jacqueline Petty and carried on a roll call vote: Trustees Joseph Cassidy (Aye), Joyce Harant (Aye), Jacqueline Petty (Aye), Nancy Snowden (Aye), Mic Williams (Aye) and President Robert Johnson (Aye). (6 Ayes – 0 Nays)

Trustee Joyce Harant expressed gratitude from the Hoffbouers' for approval of the bench.

## 7) NEW BUSINESS:

### 7.A. Christopher Columbus Statue in Bradley Park

Emily Cahill requested the Board review the suggested options regarding the future of the Christopher Columbus statue and direct the staff on a course of action.

Trustee Joseph Cassidy MOVED TO ACCEPT OPTION 1– LEAVE STATUE AS IS. Trustee Nancy Snowden seconded the motion. Discussion took place with Joe Cassidy explaining his fiscal responsibility viewpoint on this matter. Jacqueline Petty rebutted by expressing sincere disapproval of leaving the statue as is. Joe Cassidy informed the Board the Sierra Club raised funds that could be used for removing the statue. He suggested waiting to see if they raised the full amount for removal to release the Park District from the financial obligation of removal.

Trustee Joyce Harant voiced her disapproval of leaving the statue. Harant believes that leaving the statue would go against the District's Welcoming Policy.

Trustee Nancy Snowden believes the statue could remain, albeit with an explanation of historical facts. Currently, she does not believe we have the funds to remove the statue.

Trustee Mic Williams understands the fiscal responsibility point but believes the removal of the statue is an investment in our community.

The following roll call vote took place on the Motion made by Trustee Joseph Cassidy to approve Option 1: Trustees Joseph Cassidy (aye), Joyce Harant (nay), Jacqueline Petty (nay), Nancy Snowden (nay), Mic Williams (nay), and President Robert Johnson (nay). (Results: 1 Ayes; 5 Nays)

Motion Failed

Trustee Jacqueline Petty MOVED TO ACCEPT OPTION 4A – REMOVE STATUE AND PEDISTAL AND RETURN TO GREENSPACE. Motion seconded by Trustee Mic Williams. Discussion took place.

Trustee Joyce Harant noted her preference of 4B – Remove and turn space into educational area but would be supportive of option 4A due to the fact that greenspace could be converted at a later time.

Trustee Joe Cassidy stated his understanding that the Uplands Community would not be in favor of option 4A.

The following roll call vote took place on the Motion made by Trustee Jacqueline Petty to APPROVE Option 4A: Trustees Joseph Cassidy (nay), Joyce Harant (aye), Jacqueline Petty (aye), Nancy Snowden (nay), Mic Williams (aye), and President Robert Johnson (aye). (Results: 4 Ayes; 2 Nays)

Motion Approved.

8) CALENDAR OF CONSENT ITEMS:

Trustee Joyce Harant asked to remove item 8.C. from the Calendar of Consent.

Trustee Joe Cassidy MOVED TO APPROVE remaining Calendar of Consent items (8.A., 8.B.). Motion seconded by Nancy Snowden and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Joseph Cassidy (Ayes), Joyce Harant (Ayes), Jacqueline Petty (Ayes), Nancy Snowden (Ayes), Mic Williams (Ayes), and President Robert Johnson (Ayes). (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays)

8.C. ADSi Police Reporting System

Trustee Joyce Harant requested further information about the reporting capabilities of this system. (ie. demographics and outcomes) Chief Green described the increased efficiency and data capabilities of said program. Emily Cahill noted it would streamline the process, give the District direct access and make the data more accurate. Trustee Harant would like to receive these reports regularly. Chief Green noted this program will satisfy the State requirement for ensuring unbiased reporting.

Trustee Joyce Harant MOVED TO APPROVE the purchase of the ADSi Police Reporting System Motion seconded by Jacqueline Petty and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Joseph Cassidy (Aye), Joyce Harant (Aye), Jacqueline Petty (Aye), Nancy Snowden (Aye), Mic Williams (Aye), and President Robert Johnson (Aye). (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays)

9) PENDING BUSINESS:

None.

10) CITIZEN REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

None.

11) COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

12) OTHER BUSINESS:

President Robert Johnson stated his desire to review the existing employee policy manual and discuss the creation of a policy committee to do so. Johnson and Cahill will work together to bring this to the Board at the next scheduled meeting.

### 13) ADJOURNMENT

At 7:16 p.m., Trustee Jacqueline Petty MOVED TO ADJOURN. Motion seconded by Joyce Harant and carried on the following roll call vote:

Trustees Joseph Cassidy (Aye), Joyce Harant (Aye), Jacqueline Petty (Aye), Nancy Snowden, Mic Williams, and President Robert Johnson. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays)

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