

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PLEASURE DRIVEWAY AND PARK DISTRICT OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS, HELD AT 6:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023 HELD AT THE BONNIE NOBLE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Trustees Timothy Bertschy (v), Kyle Bright (v), Joyce Harant, Jackie Petty, Alexander Sierra (v), and Vice President Laurie Covington.

Note: (v) = Attended Virtually

TRUSTEES ABSENT: President Robert Johnson

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director Emily Cahill, Brent Wheeler (v), Attorney Bill Streeter, Attorney Kevin Day, Mary Harden, Matt Freeman, Chief Todd Green, Scott Loftus, Mike Miller (v), Willie Howe, Shalesse Pie, Karrie Ross, Doug Silberer (v), Nicole Staley (v), Jenny Swanson, Greg Walker, Sue Wheeler (v), and Alicia Woodworth.

Note: (v) = Attended Virtually

OTHERS PRESENT: Richard Krumholz

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Laurie Covington presided and called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. MINUTES

4.A. Approval of Minutes of February 8, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Harant MOVED TO APPROVE the February 8, 2023 Regular Board meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Trustee Bright and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy, Bright, Harant, Petty, Sierra, and Vice President Covington. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays).

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.A. Executive Director

Emily Cahill stated that Friday, March 3 is the application deadline for the NRPA Gold Medal Award and staff is close to finalizing the application. Happy birthday to Vice President Covington and Trustee Sierra who both recently observed a birthday.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.A. Planning Committee - Implementation Guiding Principles for Park Development and Changes

This document focused on the Park District's commitment to environmental sustainability concerning PPD lands and the potential for future development that could significantly and/or negatively impact those lands. The document focused on types and/or intensity of uses for parks.

Staff reviewed the policy and had a meeting with Trustee Harant and Trustee Covington on November 4, 2022, to discuss goals of the policy and at the December 6, 2022, Planning Committee meeting, staff provided a draft document with attachments and received further feedback requesting the creation of an additional comprehensive analysis sheet as part of the potential development process to be provided to the Board to help with decision making. The Planning Committee reviewed the document on February 7, 2023, at its regularly scheduled meeting. After edits and discussion, the PPD Marketing Team branded the document and it is attached hereto for review and consideration.

Trustee Harant extended her thanks to staff and Trustees for their time and efforts in creating this document. It is groundbreaking for the Peoria Park District and may be for park districts in general on how the District will evaluate projects that want to come and change Park District buildings, land, etc.

Trustee Harant MOVED TO ADOPT the Implementation Guiding Principles for Park Development and Changes. Motion seconded by Trustee Petty and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy, Bright, Harant, Petty, Sierra, and Vice President Covington. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays).

6.B. Planning Committee – Memorial Tree/Rock Request – Madison Golf Course

Matt Freeman stated that staff received a request from Lisa Heck in 2022 to place a memorial tree on Tee Box #2 at Madison in honor of Les and Wilma Sutton. Madison Golf Course was their favorite golf course. Originally, staff understood the Sutton’s memorial plaque would be added to the “Donor Board” located in the Madison Golf Course pro-shop. After the tree was planted by District staff, it was discovered that Ms. Heck’s wishes were for a memorial plaque to be installed near the base of the tree on the golf course, which requires Planning Committee and Park Board approval. Staff has been working with Ms. Heck on the style of memorial plaque to be installed near the Sutton’s memorial tree. He stated that staff recommends approval of this request although it did not follow normal approval procedures and the planting of the tree was covered by a donation.

Trustee Harant MOVED TO APPROVE the Memorial Tree/Rock Request at Madison Golf Course. Motion seconded by Trustee Petty and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bright, Harant, Petty, and Vice President Covington. (Results: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays).

6.C. Finance Committee – Approval of Accounts Payable

Trustee Bertschy reported the Finance Committee has examined the bills and approved unanimously and moves that the President and Secretary be authorized to issue orders on the Treasurer for the several amounts shown in the agenda and MOVED TO APPROVE the current listing of accounts payable. Motion seconded by Trustee Sierra and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy, Bright, Harant, Petty, Sierra, and Vice President Covington. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays).

6.D. Interfund Loan Review

Per the request of Executive Director Cahill and agreed upon by Trustees present, this item is being pulled from the agenda at this time to be discussed at a later date.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.A. Proposed Policy Revisions – Drug/Alcohol/Holidays

Shalesse Pie stated that this policy revision was proposed to the Board for review on February 8, 2023. The proposed updated policy 15.00 - Holiday adds Juneteenth as an additional holiday. The proposed undated policy 19.00 - Drug and Alcohol/Fitness for Duty will make this policy consistent across the district and CBA agreements to include the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse, which is Federal Law.

Trustee Petty MOVED TO APPROVE the Proposed Policy Revisions – Drug/Alcohol/Holidays. Motion seconded by Trustee Bright and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy, Bright, Harant, Petty, Sierra, and Vice President Covington. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays).

7.B. Approval of AFSCME Union Contract

Matt Freeman stated that after a series of meetings in late 2022 and into 2023, staff has successfully negotiated a new labor agreement with the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees - Council 31, Local 3774 Union. The new agreement is for a three-year term, for the years of 2023 through 2025.

Trustee Harant MOVED TO APPROVE the AFSCME Union Contract. Motion seconded by Trustee Petty and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy - abstain, Bright - Aye, Harant - Aye, Petty - Aye, Sierra - Aye, and Vice President Covington - Aye. (Results: 1 Abstain; 5 Ayes; 0 Nays).

8. CALENDAR OF CONSENT ITEMS

- 8.A. Request for Use - Peoria Mothers of Twins Club - RiverPlex**
- 8.B. Request for Use - EmpowHER 5k - Bradley Park**
- 8.C. Request for Use - Screaming Pumpkin Race - Glen Oak Park**
- 8.D. Request for Use - ShaZam Racing - Detweiller Park**
- 8.E. Bid - Kellogg Irrigation Pump House Piping and Backflow Preventer**
- 8.F. Proposal – Sound & Lighting – Special Events**
- 8.G. Fourth Quarter Road Salt Invoice**

Trustee Harant MOVED TO APPROVE Calendar of Consent Items 8.A thru 8.G. Motion seconded by Trustee Petty and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy, Bright, Harant, Petty, Sierra, and Vice President Covington. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays).

9. PENDING BUSINESS

9.A. Detweiller BMX License Agreement

Matt Freeman stated that per the request of the Park Board Trustees at the Board meeting on 2.8.23, District staff updated the license agreement requiring the minimum insurance coverage for Detweiller BMX / USA BMX sanctioned activities at Detweiller Park be in the amount of \$5 million (\$1 million CGL / \$4 million umbrella). District staff have conferred with representatives from the insurance agency providing coverage for Detweiller BMX / USA BMX, and have confirmed that coverage limits meet the terms of the license agreement. As part of this agreement, Detweiller BMX will be responsible for maintaining

the track and associated grounds at the required specifications to hold BMX practices and races. The license agreement includes an annual fee of \$30 per acre for the use of 3 acres. This license agreement expires on December 31, 2023 and includes a one-year option to renew if exercised by Mr. Marsh.

Trustee Petty MOVED TO APPROVE the Detweiller BMX License Agreement. Motion seconded by Trustee Harant and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy, Bright, Harant, Petty, Sierra, and Vice President Covington. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays).

10. CITIZEN REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Mr. Richard Krumholz addressed the Board asking if/when the offering of music lessons would be reinstated at Don’s Musicland as they were ceased at the onset of the pandemic.

11. COMMUNICATIONS

None at this time.

12. ACTION STEPS REVIEW

None at this time.

13. OTHER BUSINESS

None at this time.

14. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:23 pm Trustee Petty MOVED TO ADJOURN. Motion seconded by Vice President Covington and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy, Bright, Harant, Petty, Sierra, and Vice President Covington. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays).

Full discussion can be viewed at the following link: <https://fb.watch/iTfG4sH7hR/>

Respectfully Submitted by Alicia Woodworth
Executive Assistant and Secretary to the Board