

Regular Meeting Minutes of the  
Gurnee Park District Board of Commissioners  
March 21, 2023

A motion was made by Klemz to enter executive session at 6:00pm to discuss:

- A. the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity. 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)
- B. Collective negotiating matters between public employers and their employees or representatives, Or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.5ILCS 120/2(c) (2)

Motion seconded by Paddock. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Paddock, Dalzot, Klemz and Goshorn. Nays: none. Absent: Crews. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Klemz to return to open session at 6:50 pm. Motion seconded by Paddock. On voice vote, all voted aye and the Board returned to open session.

President Goshorn called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm. Goshorn led the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for roll call. Commissioners present: Jim Goshorn, Vicki Paddock, Michelle Klemz and Aaron Dalzot. Commissioners Absent: Gerry Crews. Also present: Executive Director, Susie Kuruvilla, Mike Wick, Director of Recreation; Kraig Owens, Director of Parks; Mike Szyplman, Director of Business Services; and Jennifer Gilbert, Director of Marketing and Community Relations.

A motion was made by Paddock to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 21, 2023. The motion was seconded by Klemz. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Klemz, Paddock, Dalzot and Goshorn. Nays: none. Absent: Crews. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Klemz to approve the minutes of the executive session meeting of February 21, 2023. The motion was seconded by Paddock. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Klemz, Paddock, Dalzot and Goshorn. Nays: none. Absent: Crews. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the total bills, payouts and payroll in the amount of \$537,222.14 presented on February 21, 2023, was made by Klemz and was seconded by Paddock. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Klemz, Paddock, Dalzot and Goshorn Nays: none. Motion carried.

The President opened the floor to visitors; there were no visitors present.

Department Directors reviewed their written reports with the Board.

Director of Parks Kraig Owens reviewed the parks report. Owens indicated that now that warmer weather has arrived, park clean-ups has begun. Owens also mentioned that the new Safety Coordinator, Chris Marzano has started.

Director of Recreation Mike Wick reviewed the recreation report. He introduced, Chris Poole, the new Athletics Coordinator. Wick shared some performance metrics including: Over 1100 pool

passes been sold, 4,500 members in FitNation, Summer Camp Staff are nearly completely hired, and camp has over 1900 unique registrations. Soccer registration numbers exceed 2022.

Director of Business Services Mike Szpylman reviewed the business services report.

Director Jennifer Gilbert reviewed the Marketing and Community Relations report. She indicated that the department will be hiring a summer intern.

Executive Director Susie Kuruvilla reviewed her report. Susie presented that the District has nearly recovered to Pre-Covid levels. She directed the floor to Mike Szpylman to present the preliminary budget.

Mike Szpylman presented the Preliminary Budget to the Board.

#### ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Klemz to approve the playground purchase for Concord Oaks Park for \$31,904.52 and seconded by Paddock. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Klemz, Paddock, Dalzot and Goshorn. Nays: None. Absent: Crews Motion passed.

A motion was made by Paddock to approve the purchase of a 2023 Case Skid Steer. and was seconded by Dalzot. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Klemz, Paddock, Dalzot and Goshorn. Nays: none. Absent: Crews. Motion passed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Paddock and seconded by Klemz. On voice vote, all voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

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James G. Goshorn, President

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Michelle Klemz, Secretary