

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
COUNTY OF DUPAGE  
DARIEN PARK DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING**

**February 11, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Sarocco called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Darien City Hall, 1702 Plainfield Road, Darien, Illinois.

**ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Upon roll call the following Commissioners were present:

**PRESENT:** Rob Sarocco, Ray Jablonski, Cathy Marchese, Luanne Spiros,  
Frank Noverini

**ABSENT:** None

**Staff:** Stephanie Gurgone; Executive Director, Matt Henderson; Director of Parks and Facilities, Della Deldin; Superintendent of Finance, Blake Ertmanis; Superintendent of Parks, Jordan Rossi; Sportsplex General Manager; Gina Madden, Attorney

**PUBLIC COMMENTS & GUESTS**

**a. Dave Phillips, Speer Financial**

Mr. Dave Phillips, Speer Financial introduced Mr. Dan Forbes, President and Aaron Gold, Assistant Vice President stating that Dan will oversee the Park District's account upon his retirement.

Mr. Phillips reported that competitive bids were received and recommends the low bid from Park Ridge Bank.

Mr. Lavar Love, SWARM Cheerleading and Football requested a copy of the bi-laws and operating guidelines. He stated that he has been in contact with Executive Director Gurgone and Director Matt Henderson regarding field usage.

Executive Director Gurgone stated that Director Henderson can be contacted directly for the information requested. She reported that the District does not operate travel programs.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

None

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

- a. **President** – None.
- b. **Vice President** – None.
- c. **Secretary** – None.
- d. **Treasurer** – Commissioner Marchese presented the Treasurer’s report ending January 31, 2019.

**Commissioner Noverini made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Spiros to approve the Treasurer’s Monthly Report ending December 31, 2018.**

**Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:**

**AYES: Noverini, Spiros, Jablonski, Marchese, Sarocco**  
**NAYS: None**

**President Sarocco declared the motion carried.**

## **ATTORNEY’S REPORT**

There was no report.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **a. Executive Director/SEASPAR**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 11, 2019 and the next Committee Meeting schedule for Monday, February 25, 2019 at the Community Center. She reported that the Board received a copy of the posted 2019 Board Meeting Schedule and that it is also posted on the website.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the General Obligation Bond Issue is on the agenda for the annual rollover. She reported that this bond is issued each February to pay for outstanding bonds, and to provide money for capital projects. She further reported that tax dollars are received in June and September to pay the bond and paid off in December.

Executive Director Gurgone also reported that the Abatement Ordinances are also on the agenda. She reported that these ordinances are issued annually to abate the property taxes that are automatically levied for bonds that funded the purchases and improvements at Sportsplex and that the bond payments are paid for with revenues and not tax dollars.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that Director Henderson has been corresponding with Mr. Love from SWARM. She stated that he is looking for fields but that the District does not have any open outdoor fields, and that he was given General Manager Rossi's contact information but Mr. Love never contacted him. She also stated that he was interested in working with the District on travel programs, but the District does not offer travel sports.

**b. Superintendent of Finance**

Superintendent Deldin reported on the upcoming trips.

**c. Superintendent of Parks**

Superintendent Ertmanis reported that he will be meeting with the County regarding Nantucket and provide an update at the Committee Meeting.

Superintendent Ertmanis reported that residents cannot overnight park on District properties or the vehicle will be towed.

Director Henderson stated that if residents have car issues that they need to contact General Manager Rossi or the car will be towed.

**d. Sportsplex the General Manager**

General Manager Rossi reported that a new tournament is scheduled for February 15-18th. He further reported that that the Darien Hockey League is at full capacity and up by 31 participants.

**e. Director of Parks & Facilities**

Director Henderson reported that staff has started the budget process discussing short and long term capital needs. He reported that the District has been at the Community Center for 10 years and that staff is looking at getting in front of some projects.

Director Henderson reported that Superintendent Ertmanis is working with Wight and Company to take a look at the current floors throughout the facility and also painting.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (FOR CONSENT AGENDA)**

There was no one in the audience wishing to present public comment.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Commissioner Jablonski moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Marchese to approve the Warrants and the January 4, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes.**

**Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:**

**AYES: Jablonski, Marchese, Noverini, Spiros, Sarocco**  
**NAYS: None**

**President Sarocco declared the motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **Ordinance 2018-19-04: Consideration and action on An Ordinance providing for the issue of approximately \$921,510 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2019, of the Darien Park District, DuPage County, Illinois, for the payment of land for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of said park District, to provide a revenue source to pay certain outstanding bonds of the District, and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof.**

**Commissioner Spiros made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini to approve Ordinance 2018-19-04: Consideration and action on An Ordinance providing for the issue of approximately \$921,510 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2019, of the Darien Park District, DuPage County, Illinois, for the payment of land for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of said park District, to provide a revenue source to pay certain outstanding bonds of the District, and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof.**

**Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:**

**AYES: Spiros, Noverini, Jablonski, Marchese, Sarocco  
NAYS: None**

- b. **Ordinance 2018-19-05: An Ordinance abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2018 to pay the principal and interest on the \$6,590,000 General Obligation Refunding Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2011A, of the Darien Park District, Dupage County, Illinois.**

**Commissioner Marchese made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Spiros to approve Ordinance 2018-19-05: An Ordinance abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2018 to pay the principal and interest on the \$6,590,000 General Obligation Refunding Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2011A, of the Darien Park District, Dupage County, Illinois.**

**Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:**

**AYES: Marchese, Spiros, Noverini, Jablonski, Sarocco  
NAYS: None**

- c. **Ordinance 2018-19-06: An Ordinance abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2018 to pay the principal of and interest on \$6,565,000 General Obligation Refunding Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2015B, of the Darien Park District, Dupage County, Illinois.**

Commissioner Noverini made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Marchese to approve Ordinance 2018-19-06: An Ordinance abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2018 to pay the principal of and interest on \$6,565,000 General Obligation Refunding Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2015B, of the Darien Park District, Dupage County, Illinois.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Noverini, Marchese, Spiros, Jablonski, Sarocco  
NAYS: None

**ADJOURN**

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Spiros moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini that the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll call vote the Motion was thereby carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Spiros, Noverini, Marchese, Jablonski, Sarocco  
NAYS: None

President Sarocco declared the motion carried.



Rob Sarocco, President  
Darien Park District



Luanne Spiros, Secretary  
Darien Park District