

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

**November 9, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Jablonski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Darien Park District Community Center, 7301 Fairview, Darien, Illinois.

**ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Upon roll call the following Commissioners were present:

**PRESENT:** Ray Jablonski, Luanne Spiros, Cathy Marchese, Frank Noverini, Sylvia McIvor

**ABSENT:** None

**Staff:** Stephanie Gurgone; Executive Director, Della Deldin; Superintendent of Finance, Blake Ertmanis; Superintendent of Parks, Attorney Gina Madden

**PUBLIC COMMENTS & GUESTS**

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

**COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**OFFICER REPORTS**

- a. **President** – None
- b. **Vice President** – None
- c. **Secretary** – None
- d. **Treasurer** – Commissioner Cathy Marchese presented the Treasurer’s report ending October 31, 2020.

**Commissioner Noverini made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Spiros to approve the Treasurer’s Monthly Report ending October 31, 2020.**

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

**AYES:** Noverini, Spiros, Marchese, McIvor, Jablonski

**NAYS:** None

**President Jablonski declared the motion carried.**

## **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Attorney Gina Madden reported on issues with the Election Commission staff on election day. She reported that the behavior by the election officials has been escalating over the years and that she recommends removing the Community Center as a polling place.

Attorney Madden reported that she reached out to the Election Commission and discussed ways in which the District could help find a new location, but they were uncooperative.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

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

Executive Director Stephanie Gurgone reported on the Governor's Tier II mitigation. She reported that for the time being, meetings will still be held in person at the Community Center, but that Tier III will change many things.

Executive Director Gurgone reported on the Lion's Club Needy Family Drive and that with the Tier II in place it will not be an issue with 7 in the room wrapping. She reported that the food drive will change locations to Our Lady of Peace School which is closed and where they can space things out.

Executive Director Gurgone reported on the revenue numbers and that Sportsplex is down \$658,000 in revenue since March not including expenses and that the District is \$728,000 down in revenue not including expenses. She reported that staff is continuing to cut expenses as much as possible. She reported that \$27,000 was received from the County for reimbursement for PPE and COVID expenses, but there was no ability to recover the lost revenue. She also reported that refinancing the Sportsplex debt has helped tremendously.

### **b. Superintendent of Finance**

Superintendent Della Deldin reported that the winter brochure will not be mailed to residents but that information banners will be posted in front of both buildings and registration beginning on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Spiros suggested putting up posters as well around town.

### **c. Superintendent of Parks**

Superintendent Blake Ertmanis provided an update on snow removal at the Community Center and Sportsplex and that all other District parking lots and pathways are not plowed. He reported that flags will continue to fly half-staff until Covid-19 is over and that the Cell Tower flag at Sportsplex is not controlled by the District.

Superintendent Ertmanis reported that he received positive feedback on the upcoming plantings at South Grove Pond.

**d. Sportsplex the General Manager**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the rental groups continue to add participants and that rental groups will have to figure out how to operate with the changes made by the Governor.

**e. Director of Parks & Facilities**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that there are no new updates on the Maintenance Facility.

**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 Marchese moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini to approve the Warrants, October 1, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, Amend schedule of Regular Board Meeting to occur on 12/7 and not 12/14 as previously scheduled, Tax Levy – A motion to determine estimated Levy amounts for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and to post draft of levy ordinance with final Ordinance on December 7, 2020 Agenda and SEASPAR Tax Levy.**

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

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

**President Jablonski declared the motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Resolution 2020-21-06: Approving the Darien Park District Remote Attendance Policy in the Event of a Bona Fide Disaster, or Commissioner Quarantine due to COVID-19 or Other Epidemic or Pandemic Situation.**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that she hopes to continue the meetings in person and not use it once Covid-19 is over.

**Commissioner Marchese moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini approval of Resolution 2020-21-06: Approving the Darien Park District Remote Attendance Policy in the Event of a Bona Fide Disaster, or Commissioner Quarantine due to COVID-19 or Other Epidemic or Pandemic Situation.**

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Marchese, Noverini, Spiros, McIvor, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Noverini moved, duly seconded by Commissioner McIvor that the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll call vote the Motion was thereby carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.



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Ray Jablonski, President  
Darien Park District



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Frank Noverini, Secretary  
Darien Park District