

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

November 14, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

President Ray 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, Matt Henderson; Director of Parks and Facilities, Nancy Strathdee; Superintendent of Finance, Jordan Rossi; Sportsplex General Manager, Gina Madden; Attorney

PUBLIC COMMENTS & GUESTS

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

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell \$4,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District.

Commissioner Noverini moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Marchese to open the public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell \$4,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving, and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Noverini, Marchese, Spiros, McIvor, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

Executive Director Stephanie Gurgone reported that the notice was published and posted in the building and that this process is done every three years.

Commissioner Spiros moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini to close the public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell \$4,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

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

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Executive Director Gurgone reported that she received communication regarding the fence down at 802 Plainfield. She reported that staff will continue to fix but that a fence replacement is in the proposed development project.

OFFICER REPORTS

- a. President – None**
- b. Vice President – None**
 - i. Treasurer – Commissioner Cathy Marchese presented the Treasurer’s report ending October 31, 2022**

Commissioner Noverini made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Spiros to approve the Treasurer’s Monthly Report ending October 31, 2022.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

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

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

- c. Commissioners’ Reports - There were no Commissioner reports.**

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Attorney Gina Madden had no report.

STAFF REPORTS

- a. Executive Director/SEASPAR**

Executive Director Stephanie Gurgone reported that the next Board meeting will be held on Monday, December 12, 2022 at the Community Center to approve the bond sale and the Tax Levy Ordinance.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that staff met with Wight about the upcoming DCP renovation project.

There was some discussion regarding the lighting. Executive Director Gurgone reported that the lights would be low light/low pollution, if the budget allows.

b. Superintendent of Finance

Superintendent Nancy Strathdee reported that 97.96% of the expected tax revenues for FY 2022/23 has been received. She reported that \$25,766 in investment interest for FY 2022/23 has been received and that the interest earned continues to outpace the annual budget of \$3,000 and that the annual percentage yield earned increased from 0.66 to 0.80 for the Money Market account and increased from 2.26 to 2.85 for the Tax Distribution account.

c. Sportsplex the General Manager

General Manager Jordan Rossi reported on the Lions Club Halloween event. He reported that the numbers increased from the previous year but that they are still significantly down from 2019.

d. Director of Parks & Facilities

Director Matt Henderson reported that staff has officially moved from 802 Plainfield and that the main part of the demolition will be completed after Thanksgiving. He further reported that the Board received a report regarding the Recreation Center.

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 McIvor moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Marchese to approve the Warrants, October 10, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes, Tax Levy – A motion to determine estimated Levy amounts for Fiscal Year 2023-24 and to post draft of Levy ordinance. Final Ordinance will be on December 12, 2022 agenda, and SEASPAR Tax Levy.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

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

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

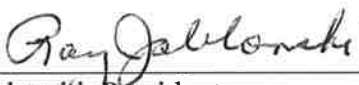
Executive Director Stephanie Gurgone reported that this is the first year that the CPI is high at 5%. She reported that due to the low new construction number, staff believes that there is not a significant benefit to levying over the 5% cap because it would only generate \$767 in additional revenue which would also generate a public hearing and newspaper publication. She further reported that the process will be the same as normal with approval at the 12/12 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

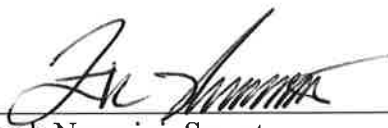
There was no new business to report.

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Commissioner McIvor moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Spiros that the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll call vote the Motion was thereby carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.



Ray Jablonski, President
Darien Park District



Frank Noverini, Secretary
Darien Park District