

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

May 8, 2023

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, Frank Noverini, Cathy Marchese, Sylvia McIvor

ABSENT: None

Staff: Stephanie Gurgone; Executive Director, Matt Henderson: Director of Parks and Facilities, Nancy Strathdee/Antonio Washington; 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.

COMMUNICATONS

Executive Director Stephanie Gurgone reported that the Board received correspondence from Mr. Vito Abbate with an update on Pickleball.

OFFICER REPORTS

- a. President** – President Ray Jablonski reported that he will be attending the upcoming Community Action Committee Meeting.
- b. Treasurer** – Commissioner Cathy Marchese presented the Treasurer’s report ending April 30, 2023.

Commissioner Noverini made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Spiros to approve the Treasurer’s report ending April 30, 2023.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Noverini, Spiros, Marchese, McIvor, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

c. Commissioner 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 Regular Board meeting will be Monday, June 12, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. She reported that there will not be a July meeting.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the Darien Police National Night Out event will be held in the Westwood Park parking lot due to DCP construction. She welcomed Mr. Antonio Washington, the new Superintendent of Finance and HR, who will be replacing Nancy when she moves.

b. Superintendent of Finance

Superintendent Nancy Strathdee stated that she would answer any questions regarding her report.

c. Sportsplex General Manager

General Manager Jordan Rossi stated that she would answer any questions regarding His report.

d. Director of Parks & Facilities

i. Annual Report 2021-22

Director Matt Henderson reported that the Board received the Annual Report for fiscal year 2021-22. He reported that moving forward it will be presented to the board in August for the previous fiscal year.

Director Henderson reported that the biggest hit from Covid was the Fitness Center but that the programs have bounced back. He reported that the preschool numbers are above two hundred and back to pre-Covid.

Director Henderson reported that the Earth Day Event was a tremendous success. He reported that there were eighty people signed up.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the Earth Day event was free and that next year there may be a small fee to help with the no shows. She further reported that staff provided creative activities and that she would include the event in the sustainability report.

Director Henderson reported that Meyers Woods should be open by Memorial Day.

Commissioner Luanne Spiros questioned if there is any crossover with the popularity of pickleball and if classes can be offered.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that staff is looking at outdoor space and that the pickleball groups provide newcomers on how to play and how to form a group. She reported that classes would require an instructor.

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 Spiros moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini to approve the April 10, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes, Warrants, and a Resolution 2023-24-01: A Resolution designating an authorized agent to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Spiros, Noverini, Marchese, McIvor, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Resolution 2023-24-02: A Resolution Forming a Committee on Local Government Efficiency

Commissioner Marchese moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Spiros to approve Resolution 2023-24-02: A Resolution Forming a Committee on Local Government Efficiency.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Marchese, Spiros, Noverini, McIvor, Jablonski

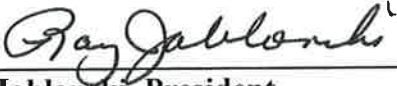
NAYS: None

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 7:22 p.m.



Ray Jablonski, President
Darien Park District



Frank Noverini, Secretary
Darien Park District