

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

**November 13, 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, Cathy Marchese, Frank Noverini, Sylvia McIvor

**ABSENT:** None

**Staff:** Stephanie Gurgone; Executive Director, Matt Henderson: Director of Parks and Facilities, 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**

There were no communications to report.

**OFFICER REPORTS**

- a. President** – President Ray Jablonski provided an overview of the Darien Action Committee meeting. He reported that the Darien Historical Society Tree Lighting event will include crafts, and Santa on a fire truck.

President Jablonski reported that the City will be mailing out a post card highlighting the community events in Darien.

- b. Treasurer** – Commissioner Cathy Marchese presented the Treasurer's report ending October 31, 2023.

**Commissioner Noverini made a motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Spiros to approve the Treasurer's report ending October 31, 2023.**

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

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

**NAYS:** None

**President Jablonski declared the motion carried.**

- c. Commissioner Reports** – Commissioner Sylvia McIvor reported that the City will be honoring the Darien Garden Club on Monday, November 20th.

**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 is scheduled for December 11<sup>th</sup>. She reported that the Efficiency Committee will meet immediately at that board meeting.

Executive Director Gurgone reported that the audit is near completion and will be sent out to the Board prior to the next meeting for review. She reported that the approval of the Rollover Bond Sale for the 802 redevelopment will also be on the agenda and that \$800,000 is the proposed net amount.

Executive Director Gurgone reported on 50 events for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and that more details will follow closer to budget planning in early 2024.

**b. Superintendent of Finance**

Executive Director Gurgone reported that she would answer any questions regarding the finance report.

**c. Sportsplex General Manager**

General Manager Jordan Rossi reported that the Lions Halloween event was a success.

Commissioner Cathy Marchese commented that the front stairs that were recently redone at Sportsplex looked great.

**d. Director of Parks & Facilities**

Director Matt Henderson provided an update on the Darien Community Park construction project. He reported that due to weather that the final court surfacing will be completed in the fall. He further reported that the parking lot is open to the public.

Commissioner Luanne Spiros stated that the Park ID sign at Ridgewood Park has weathered. Director Henderson reported that staff would look into replacement.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business to report.

### **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 McIvor to approve the Warrants, October 19, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes, Tax Levy – A motion to determine estimated Levy amounts for Fiscal Year 2024-25 and to post draft of Levy ordinance. Final Ordinance will be on December 11, 2023, agenda, SEASPAR Tax Levy, and Resolution 2023-24-07: Resolution authorizing intergovernmental agreement between the City of Darien and the Darien Park District for the purchase of road salt.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Marchese, McIvor, Spiros, Noverini, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 7:21 p.m. Commissioner McIvor moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini to adjourn to Closed Session.

- a. Closed Session for the purposes of review of closed session minutes pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 21.
- b. Closed Session for the purposes of discussion of the employment, performance, and compensation of specific employees pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1.
- c. Closed Session for the purposes of pending or threatened litigation pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 11.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: McIvor, Noverini, Spiros, Marchese, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

**ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION (if warranted)**

At 7:50 p.m. Commissioner Noverini moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Spiros to reconvene the Regular Meeting.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Noverini, Spiros, Marchese, McIvor, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

Commissioner McIvor moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Marchese to approve the October 9, 2023, Closed Session Meeting Minutes.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: McIvor, Marchese, Noverini, Spiros, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

President Jablonski announced that there were no Closed Session minutes to be released.

Commissioner McIvor moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Noverini to authorize Attorney Gina Madden to sign all necessary settlement documents related to outstanding tax objections.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: McIvor, Noverini, Spiros, Marchese, Jablonski

NAYS: None

President Jablonski declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Marchese moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Spiros to approve staff compensation as recommended.

Upon roll call the following Commissioners voted:

AYES: Marchese, Spiros, Noverini, McIvor, Jablonski

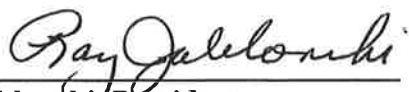
NAYS: None

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 7:53 p.m.



Ray Jablonski, President  
Darien Park District



Frank Noverini, Secretary  
Darien Park District