

Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting February 12, 2024 6:00pm

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Call to Order	Commissioner Jeffery called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance	Present: Commissioners Powers, Sokolowski, Jeffery, and Bird. Commissioner Gramann, Del Preto and Witteck were absent. Staff: Executive Director Rini, Directors Bachewicz, Hamilton, Scumaci, and Quinn, Superintendent Adamson, and Executive Assistant Greninger.
Listening Post	Director Bachewicz introduced Recreation Manager Kelly Sisco. Kelly oversees the Before and After Care Program, Days Off Club, Summer Camps, and Preschool. She has been a Recreation Professional for 24 years, and previously worked at Addison and Salt Creek Par Districts. She lives in Carol Stream with her husband of 23 years, three kids and two dogs.
Changes to the Agenda	None
Consent Agenda	Commissioner Powers made a motion to accept the consent agenda as read. Seconded by Commissioner Bird. A. Approval: Regular Minutes: January 22, 2024 B. Ratify: December 2023 Bills C. Ratify: January 2024 Bills D. Ratify: 2023 Year End Treasurers Report Voice Vote. All in favor. None Opposed. Motion Passes. Commissioner Sokolowski made a motion to approve the consent agenda as read. Seconded by Commissioner Powers. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Bird: Aye Commissioner Del Preto: Absent Commissioner Gramann: Absent Commissioner Witteck: Absent Commissioner Jeffery: Aye Motion Passes 4-0-3
Discussion Items	A. Capital Improvement Program Prioritization Exercise Results Executive Director Rini reviewed the results of the prioritization exercise conducted at the last Board Meeting. The score for projects were averaged and the order of priority was determined as follows. 1. Playground Replacements 2. New 39 Passenger Bus

3. FVRC Lower Locker Room Floors



- 4. Pickleball at Armstrong Park
- 5. CCWP Bucket Feature Painting
- 6. Fitness Center Carper/Flooring
- 7. Evergreen Shoreline Stabilization
- 8. SRC Marquee
- 9. Vehicle/Equipment Replacement
- 10. Benjamin School District Partnership

We have heard from Superintendent Woell from District 25 and they have stepped back from the turf field proposal. This will drop from the Capital Improvement list all together. Staff will explore funding and grant options for these nine projects and keep the Board informed on the budgeting progress.

B. Meet us at the Park

Staff would like Board direction to continue the summer Meet Us at the Park events; suggesting Carolshire Park on June 24 and Kent Park on August 26. Both events will run from 6-7pm and we have already check with Carol Stream Police "Blue Scoops" to make sure those dates work for them. Board consensus was to move forward with the plan as discussed.

C. Corporate Counsel RFQ

We have used the same sole proprietor law firm for over 25 years. His legal advice has been helpful over the years, but there are increasing times we have been outsourced to a full service firm in order to meet our needs. Executive Director Rini consulted with over 20 park districts. Three firms represent most of the park districts in the state of Illinois: Ancel Glink, Tressler, and Robbins Schwartz. We would like two or three Commissioners to volunteer to sit on a Selection Committee along with Executive Director Rini, Directors Quinn and Hamilton. The selection committee will prepare questions and interview the three firms, then make a recommendation to the entire Board. The new Counsel will be selected and appointed at the May 13 Annual Board Meeting. Commissioners Sokolowski, Powers, and Bird volunteered to sit on the Selection Committee. Executive Director Rini said we will get started right away.

D. Weekly Happenings

- Commissioner Powers has a health concern, but plans on staying on the Board; attending some meetings via Zoom if necessary.
- Commissioner Sokolowski noted the incredible revenue results from Rentals in January. Director Bachewicz said many tournaments are booking early and the room rentals have been coming in with larger groups.
- Commissioner Bird attended the Intergovernmental Meeting with Director Hamilton last week. One take away was about the DuPage County 2-1-1 hotline for health and social service resources used by millions of people across North America and now in DuPage County. Clients contact 2-1-1 for free and confidential crisis and emergency counseling, disaster assistance, food, health care and insurance assistance, stable housing and utilities payment assistance, employment services, and veteran, family and childcare services. They also talked about food insecurity in DuPage County, and the



	Park District could help with that year-round. Director Hamilton suggested the Parks staff could build nice-looking wooden boxes for each facility. We get a lot of traffic and we could even ask programs to donate and take pictures for a feel good activity, maybe put a competitive spin on it at times. Executive Director Rini said the Foundation received memorial donations over \$2,800 in lieu of flowers after Commissioner Jeffery's father passed. We need to improve the website to make it easier for people to make donations online. Commissioner Jeffery thanked everyone for all their support during this difficult time. Executive Director Rini added that the Foundation received \$10,900 from our annual appeal to vendors. Commissioner Jeffery suggested we ask them to continue fundraising for the 39 passenger bus on our priority list. Executive Director Rini added the Foundation Board will attend the March 11 meeting to present a donation check for the scholarship fund. Executive Director Rini proposed Commissioner Witteck to serve as the Carol Stream Park District's representative to the Carol Stream Rotary. She attends as an involved citizen but would be willing to represent the Park District in the future. Commissioners agreed with this plan.
Action Items	None
Closed Session	None
Action Pertaining to Closed Session	None
Adjournment	Commissioner Powers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Bird. Voice Vote taken. Motion passed 4-0-3. Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm.

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Secretary Sue Rini

March 11, 2024

Date