

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OAK LAWN PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON JULY 13, 2020**

The Board of Commissioners of the Oak Lawn Park District was convened in a Regular Meeting on July 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. with President Coughlan presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Board Members Present: Boland, Buschbach, Callahan, Coughlin, McCauley

Board Members Absent: None

A quorum was present.

Others in Attendance: Maddie Kelly, Whitney Olson, Phil Costello, Ron Badali, Joel Craig, John Farrell, Vince Clark

Others in Attendance via Zoom: Robin Potter, Kim and David Orr

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Finance Meeting of June 8, 2020

Boland moved, Callahan seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: Boland, Callahan, Coughlin, McCauley

Nay: None

Abstain: Buschbach

Regular Meeting of June 8, 2020

Boland moved, Callahan seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: Boland, Callahan, Coughlin, McCauley

Nay: None

Abstain: Buschbach

Special Meeting of July 6, 2020

Boland moved, Callahan seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: Boland, Callahan, Coughlin, McCauley

Nay: None

Abstain: Buschbach

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD/CORRESPONDENCE:

Robin Potter: 2745 W. Logan Blvd. Chicago, IL 60647

Potter thanked Kim and David Orr for joining. Potter thanked Maddie Kelly and Vince Clark for working with her to join this meeting. Potter recounted the events her and her family experienced on July 3rd at Wolfe Wildlife Park where they found racist images spray painted in the park. Potter made suggestions to increase the diversity and inclusion of the Park District. Kelly stated that the Park District is disgusted with the racist images that were found in the park and thanked staff for their quick action to remove them from Wolfe Wildlife. Kelly reviewed the steps the Park District is currently taking to ensure diversity and inclusion is celebrated as well as staff trained on the subject matter. Kelly stated that the Village of Oak Lawn is separate from the Park District, so we do not have our own police force to manage our parks. This event was reported to the Oak Lawn Police Department and they are addressing it. Coughlin stated she is confident that the Park District is quickly addressing these issues and thanked Potter for coming to the meeting and her full report of the events.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

FINANCE REPORT:

Buschbach moved, Callahan seconded to approve payables of \$543,855.21 for the period of June 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020

Voting: Aye: All

Nay: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Budget Recovery Plan

i. Suggested Form of Resolution 10720 - IMRF Form 6.77

McCauley moved, Boland seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: Boland, Buschbach, Coughlin, McCauley
Nay: Callahan

ii. Suggested Form of Resolution 20720 - IMRF Form 6.78

McCauley moved, Buschbach seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: Boland, Buschbach, Coughlin, McCauley
Nay: Callahan

LEGAL: None

APPROVAL OF BIDS OVER \$25,000: None

MATTERS OF THE DIRECTOR:

Kelly stated that the Park District's strategic initiatives are moving ahead, including the initiative on diversity and inclusion, so we are already addressing Potter's suggestions.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Coughlin complimented the staff and director on the opening of their pools and swimming programs. Coughlin stated the staff reports have been a highlight for her to stay up to date with parks and current programming happening. Coughlin wished the new preschool program good luck as they are starting soon and thanked Phil Costello for his work on the Park District finances, laying out options simply for The Board.

MATTERS OF THE COMMISSIONERS:

Boland stated she enjoys the staff reports and the creativity currently happening with Park District programs and facilities.

Callahan thanked the director and staff for their hard work over the past few months.

McCauley said she never thought the Park District would have to cut back programs, but thanked staff for their creativity and working to take on new responsibilities during this difficult time.

Buschbach wished Kelly good luck on her meetings tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT:

Callahan moved, Boland seconded to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Pat Coughlin, President



Whitney Olson, Recording Secretary