

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OAK LAWN PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON MAY 10, 2021**

The Board of Commissioners of the Oak Lawn Park District was convened in a Regular Meeting on May 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. with President Coughlin presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Boland, Callahan, McCauley and Coughlin
A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of April 12, 2021

Callahan moved, Boland seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD/CORRESPONDENCE: None

FINANCE REPORT:

Callahan moved, McCauley seconded to approve payables of \$603,787.14 for the period of April 1, 2021 to April 30, 2021.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Surplus Property

Staff are seeking to dispose of a goosen vac. The goosen vac has not been used since 2006 and is no longer operational. The Maintenance Department no longer has any use for the item.

Boland motioned, McCauley seconded to approve the Surplus Property.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

LEGAL: None

APPROVAL OF BIDS OVER \$25,000:

Maintenance Building Roof

Staff recommended that the 2021 Maintenance Roof Replacement be awarded to Ridgeway Roofing of Frankfort. The base bid and both alternatives total: \$99,150.00.

Callahan moved, Boland seconded to approve the staff recommendation.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

MATTERS OF THE DIRECTOR:

Hartwig thanked staff for doing such a great job these past 15 months. Hartwig stated that it is great to see that mitigations are starting to change and loosen up. As of right now the pool capacity numbers changed from 50 bathers to 100. Hartwig stated that the pools are being prepped and painted so they can open for the season.

Hartwig recognized the Dance Department for continuing to offer the dance recital this year. Hartwig stated that he and his wife attended the recital and it was a lot of fun to watch. Hartwig stated that parents and patrons were so happy to have some type of normalcy back for their children.

Hartwig stated that tonight is the last meeting for Commissioner Callahan and McCauley. Hartwig stated that it has been a pleasure to work with both of them over his 20 year career at the district. Hartwig wished them well and hopes to stay in touch.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Coughlin recognized the districts staff for continuing to do an amazing job during the pandemic. Coughlin commended Hartwig on continuing to push forward although there have been a lot of staff changes lately.

Coughlin thanked Commissioner Callahan and McCauley for being mentors to her and she wished them good luck in this next chapter.

Coughlin welcomed the new Commissioners to the district.

MATTERS OF THE COMMISSIONERS:

Boland thanked Commissioner Callahan and McCauley for being such amazing mentors to her over these past several years. Boland congratulated them on their years of service to the community and welcomed the new Commissioners.

McCauley shared her deepest sympathies with the Canty Family on the loss of Jackie Canty. McCauley reminisced about Canty's time working for the district and stated that she will continue to keep the family in her thoughts and prayers.

McCauley stated that at last month's meeting she shared her thoughts on this extraordinary journey she has been a part of for the past 24 years. McCauley stated that tonight, she would like to congratulate the newly elected Commissioners: Ryan Donahue, Jim Buschbach Jr. and Daniel Johnson. McCauley stated that her hope for their tenures of serving on the park board will be as remarkable for them as it was for her. McCauley stated that as she reflects back on being sworn in, she remembers feeling extremely nervous and overwhelmed with all that was involved behind the scenes to make the park district so exceptional. McCauley stated that she realized that she needed to sit back for one full year and be willing to be educated about all that was involved. McCauley stated that she recognized very quickly that she was surrounded by highly competent professional staff who guided her along the way which in turn afforded her the ability to always make the best decisions to benefit all the residents of Oak Lawn. McCauley said to the new Commissioners that they will soon discover that they are a part of one of the best park district's in the State of Illinois. McCauley thanked everyone and stated that she looks forward to watching the work continue in making the park district even better.

Callahan wished all the mom's a Happy Mother's Day.

Callahan thanked Coughlin for doing a great job as Board President and stated that he hopes to continue their friendship.

Callahan thanked Boland for all of her hard work on the Board and stated that it has been a pleasure to get to know her.

Callahan encouraged the new Commissioners to learn from Boland and Coughlin and allow them to mentor them during this new transition.

Callahan recognized the Finance Department for receiving the Certificate of Achievement of Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finances Offices Association Award (GFOA).

Callahan recognized Terry Vorderer who was in the audience and congratulated him on becoming Oak Lawn's Mayor.

Callahan stated that his political aspirations started on the park board and he is forever grateful to the park district. Callahan wished everyone continued health, happiness, and success in their future endeavors.

SWEARING IN OF COMMISSIONERS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL, REAL ESTATE, LITIGATION AND REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

The Board entered into Executive Sessions at 7:25 p.m.

The Board adjourned Executive Session at 7:36 p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

President

Coughlin nominated Commissioner Boland to be Board President for the coming year; Buschbach seconded.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

Vice President

Boland nominated Commissioner Coughlin as Vice President; Johnson seconded.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

Secretary

Buschbach nominated Commissioner Johnson as Secretary; Donahue seconded.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

Boland made the following appointments:

- Finance Commissioner Buschbach
- Public Relations & Marketing Commissioner Donahue
- Recreation Commissioner Coughlin
- Building & Grounds Commissioner Johnson

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS:

Director

Coughlin motioned, Buschbach seconded to appoint Tom Hartwig as Director of the Oak Lawn Park District.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

Attorney

Coughlin motioned, Johnson seconded to appoint John Farrell as Attorney.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

ANNUAL MEETING:

Appointment of Auditors

Buschbach motioned to approve Lauterbach & Amen; Donahue seconded.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

Designation of Depositories

Buschbach motioned, Coughlin seconded to approve the depositories as presented:

1. Illinois Funds 2. First Midwest Bank 3. Illinois Trust

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

Designation of Newspapers for Legal Notices

Coughlin motioned, Johnson seconded to approve the newspapers listed:

1. SouthtownSTAR 2. Oak Lawn Independent 3. Reporter
4. Chicago Tribune 5. Chicago Sun-Times

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Coughlin moved, Buschbach seconded to adjourn at 7:44 p.m.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Boland, President



Tracey Gallik, Recording Secretary