

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OAK LAWN PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2021**

The Board of Commissioners of the Oak Lawn Park District was convened in a Regular Meeting on November 8, 2021 at 7:01 p.m. with President Boland presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Buschbach, Coughlin, Donahue, Johnson, and Boland
A quorum was present.

PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE OAK LAWN PARK DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, TO SELL \$2,200,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX PARK BONDS:

President Boland opened the Public Hearing and asked if anyone wished to comment. Upon hearing no comments, Johnson motioned to close the Public Hearing, Buschbach seconded.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of October 18, 2021

Johnson moved, Buschbach seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: All
Abstain: Coughlin
Nay: None

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD/CORRESPONDENCE:

Volunteer of the Month – Sara Afzal

Sara (Sahr-ruh) Afzal is our October Volunteer of the Month. Sara is a leader of Stagg High School's key club which organizes volunteer groups to help with community events. Sara was the leader of the key club organization for our Howl-O-Ween event and was an absolute pleasure to work with. Sara is very organized, professional, and was happy to help in any way she could. Sara was a huge part in directing the volunteers for that event. Thank you Sara!

Special Olympics Eagles Volleyball Teams

Each of the athletes on our three Special Olympics Volleyball teams have worked hard & qualified to attend Illinois Special Olympics State Games in Rockford late October. Over the period of two days, athletes & coaches pushed themselves to work as a team & achieve great things. We are so proud of each and every one of you for your accomplishments.

Coaches presented the awards to the following athletes.

Eagles Teal

Coach Ashley Singer

1. Brandon Brown
2. Johnny Damme
3. John Damme
4. Anthony Forde
5. Sinead Forde
6. Lee Lewis
7. Jimmy O'Keefe
8. David Polanski
9. Taylor Roeda

Eagles Black

Coach Irene Yuska

1. Shane Figura
2. Michael Fioravanti
3. Michael Hogan
4. Jane Ladd
5. Todd Mallo
6. Angelo Mascheroni
7. Jenna Richards
8. Marina Uher
9. Marium Wahid
10. Mary Wolfe

Eagles Purple

Coach Jessie Schaar

1. Ethan Gowaski
2. Casey O'Connell
3. Maggie Ritzenthaler
4. Melanie Salgado
5. Taylor Schaar
6. Sara Sturm

NEW BUSINESS: None

FINANCE REPORT:

Johnson moved, Donahue seconded to approve payables of \$851,594.95 for the period of October 1, 2021 to October 31, 2021.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

2022 Board Meeting Dates

Coughlin motioned, Johnson seconded to approve the below 2022 Board Meeting Dates.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

January 10	July 11
February 14	August 8
March 14	September 12
April 11	October 17
May 9	November 14
June 13	December 12

LEGAL: None

APPROVAL OF BIDS OVER \$25,000: None

MATTERS OF THE DIRECTOR:

Hartwig discussed the Howl-o-ween event at Wolfe Wildlife. Hartwig stated that this was the second year in a row that the event was held outside and all staff did an amazing job setting everything up. Hartwig said there were over 1,300 people that registered for the event. Hartwig made mention that staff met regarding next year's event and the plan is to continue to offer it outdoors.

Hartwig stated that the district's theatre production of All Together Now opens this weekend and he encouraged everyone to attend.

Hartwig announced that the district has been inducted into the National Softball Association (NSA) Hall of Fame under the park category. Hartwig stated that this award exemplifies the districts dedication and commitment to the sport of softball.

Hartwig stated that the district received our final score for the Distinguished Agency (DA) Accreditation and out of a possible 500 points, the district scored 497.29. Hartwig said this is the highest score the district has ever received. Hartwig thanked all staff involved in the process.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Boland stated that she received several compliments from friends and family that attended the Howl-o-ween event. Boland commended staff for all their efforts and stated that she is excited to see what next year's event will offer.

Boland congratulated staff on receiving the Distinguished Agency Accreditation and stated that the award is a testament of Director Hartwig's leadership.

MATTERS OF THE COMMISSIONERS:

Buschbach stated that he is impressed with the amount of holiday activities being offered this year. Buschbach thanked staff for everything that they continue to do for the district.

Coughlin stated that she was unable to attend the ribbon cutting for Brandt Park last month but that she had the opportunity to stop by the park recently. Coughlin thanked the Maintenance Department and volunteers for doing such a wonderful job on the park renovation.

Coughlin congratulated the district on the Distinguished Agency Accreditation award.

Coughlin made mention of the staff reports and thanked staff for their continued hard work.

Johnson stated that he purchased his tickets for the theatre production of All Together Now and he is looking forward to the show.

Donahue complimented staff on their monthly reports. Donahue stated that the reports show just how dedicated the staff are here and he said he is happy to be a part of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

Coughlin moved, Buschbach seconded to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Boland, President



Tracey Gallik, Recording Secretary