



**FOX VALLEY PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**
Serving the Fox Valley Park District
Kane, DuPage, Kendall and Will Counties, Illinois
OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES
June 17, 2019 6:00 PM
Prisco Community Center
150 W. Illinois Avenue, Aurora

1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

President Anderson led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.0 ROLL CALL

President Anderson directed the Board Secretary to take attendance by roll call. The following members of the Fox Valley Board of Commissioners were present: Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Mary Anne Cummings arrived at 6:03PM, after roll call was taken. Excused absent: Mavis Bates and Matt Hicks, Jr. A quorum was present. Also present: Executive Director Jim Pilmer, Attorney Gerald Hodge, Department Directors, District staff, and guests.

4.0 ADDENDA TO THE AGENDA

None presented.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Holly Scholz made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Al Broholm. Roll call voting Aye: Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Voting Nay: none, and the Consent Agenda was approved.

5.1 Approve the Open Session meeting minutes of May 13, 2019.

5.2 Approve payables for the period ending May 31, 2019 in the amount of \$1,127,469.84.

5.3 Approve the statement of estimated revenues and expenses for period ending April 30, 2019.

5.4 Approve Department Directors and other reports.

5.5 Approve the capital projects permitting fees & charges, cost summaries, and project bid schedule reports.

5.6 Approve a contract with Wilkinson Excavating in the amount of \$26,000 for the Eola Center Water Service Improvements.

5.7 Ratify the overage of \$27,505.26 for the 2018 and 2019 emergency expenses for Splash Country Water Park Repairs.

5.8 Ratify expenses in the amount of \$23,500 to Platt Electric for the Blackberry Farm Speaker Improvements.

5.9 Approve the appointment of Jeff Palmquist as Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator for the District.

5.10 Approve the acceptance of 1.0-acre Lot 26 in the Gramercy Square subdivision for a neighborhood park.

5.11 Approve the changes to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act.

6.0 PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

6.1 Vaughan Athletic Center Concessions

Jaime Ijams introduced Rebecca Oliver of HRM Properties, a company identified through the FVPD bid process to possibly operate a concession offering at Vaughan Athletic Center. Rebecca presented an overview of HRM Properties and its vision for bringing fresh, healthy and convenient food to patrons at the facility. The Board of Commissioners will discuss the proposal and make a decision in the coming weeks.

6.2 Diversity Committee Presentation

Jaime Ijams introduced members of the Diversity Committee who gave an overview of the committee, its purpose and some of the community events at which they represent the Fox Valley Park District. Presenting members were Ivan Chambers, Holly Wiggins, Sandie Gilmer, Debbie Smith, Stephanie Hopp, and Rachael Davies. President Anderson thanked the committee for their commitment to the community.

7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

None presented.

8.0 ATTORNEY BUSINESS

None presented.

9.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BUSINESS

9.1 Executive Director's Report

Director Pilmer's report included:

- The Mid-American Canoe & Kayak Race was canceled again this year due to unsafe river conditions. The Marketing & Communications department maintained a social media presence throughout the days leading up to the event and during cancellation. The Recreation department made telephone contact with participants regarding the cancellation and the Finance department processed 313 refunds within 36 hours of the decision being made to cancel. Director Pilmer thanked the staff for a well-coordinated effort to handle the event cancellation.
- Director Pilmer asked Jeff Palmquist to give an update on the Golfview Park neighborhood meeting held on June 10 where a possible solution by means of a storm sewer pipe installation was discussed. The Fox Valley Park District is affected by the flooding as are the homeowners in the area. The stakeholders will continue to meet and discuss progress and resolution efforts.
- Jeff Palmquist also reported on the District's efforts in seeking non-tax-payer funding sources including meetings with our local legislators to pursue legislative measures that would benefit the District, as well as applying for grant funding. As a result, the District will be the beneficiary of over \$2,000,000 in non-tax-payer funds for capital projects. The intention is to keep the projects revenue neutral with an emphasis on social equity.
- Director Pilmer asked Diana Erickson to explain the District's plan to issue a \$3,000,000 bond in July 2019. The proposed bond issue money would be used for deferred maintenance projects, emergency capital repairs, and replacements in capital projects. Bond issuance requirements are very strictly regulated as to the use of the bond money. The District would not be eligible to issue any other bonds for 3 years meaning the proposed \$3M bond issuance in July would need to last for the next 3 years.

- Director Pilmer asked Jaime Ijams to report on the District’s recent honor in receiving the Delia Nila Basile award, given by the Aurora Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board to individuals and organizations that promote exemplary leadership in advancing social equity in our community. District employee, Rafael Martinez is on the board and represents FVPD in his role.
- Jaime Ijams recognized Brett Meier, Fox Fitness General Manager and Kellie McKanna, Group Exercise Supervisor for expanding fitness programming in our neighborhood parks by initiating a new program, Body Blitz in the Park, to be held at Golden Oaks Park. This is a free class, offered to everyone to promote the new program.

10.0 CONTINUED BUSINESS

None presented.

11.0 NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Approve the Resolution authorizing and directing the Fox Valley Park District’s execution of the application to the City of Aurora for 2020 Community Development Block Grant funding for improvements to “Coach” Wilbert Walters Park.

Jeff Palmquist recommended approval of Resolution 19-010 authorizing a grant application for improvements at Wilbert Walters Park. Holly Scholz made a motion to approve, seconded by Jerry Butler. Roll call voting Aye: Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Mary Anne Cummings, Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Voting Nay: none, and the resolution was approved.

11.2 Approve the use of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Park for the Back-to-School Bash on August 11, 2019.

Jeff Palmquist recommended approval of the use of MLK Park for the annual City of Aurora event. Mary Anne Cummings made a motion to approve, seconded by Jerry Butler. Roll call voting Aye: Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Mary Anne Cummings, Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Voting Nay: none, and the park usage was approved.

11.3 Approve the request from the Village of Montgomery to operate the Montgomery Fest beer garden on Montgomery Park on August 9, 10 and 11, 2019.

Jeff Palmquist recommended approval of the Village of Montgomery to operate a beer garden in Montgomery Park during Montgomery Fest, as they have in years past. Al Broholm made a motion to approve, seconded by Mary Anne Cummings. Roll call voting Aye: Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Mary Anne Cummings, Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Voting Nay: none, and the request was approved.

11.4 Approve the Commercial Use of Parks License and Photographer permit application process and proposed fees.

Jaime Ijams recommended approval of the Commercial Use of Parks and Photographer permit and fee structure. Mary Anne Cummings made a motion to approve, seconded by Holly Scholz. Roll call voting Aye: Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Mary Anne Cummings, Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Voting Nay: none, and the commercial use permit and fees was approved.

11.5 Approve the Active Military On-Leave Staycation Pass.

Jaime Ijams recommended approval of the newly created On-Leave Staycation Pass, a two-week pass offered for sale to active military persons and their immediate families for use of District fitness centers and facilities while they are in the area on leave. Jerry Butler made a motion to approve, seconded by Mary Anne Cummings. Roll call voting Aye: Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Mary Anne Cummings, Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Voting Nay: none, and the on-leave pass was approved.

12.0 CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Commissioners did not convene into closed session.

13.0 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

13.1 Approve Closed Session Minutes from May 13, 2019.

Al Broholm made a motion to approve the closed session minutes from May 13, 2019, seconded by Mary Anne Cummings. Roll call voting Aye: Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Mary Anne Cummings, Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Voting Nay: none, and the closed session minutes were approved.

13.2 President's Comments.

President Anderson expressed his wish for sunshine and warm weather so that FVPD customers can enjoy District aquatic facilities and parks.

14.0 ADJOURNMENT

Jerry Butler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mary Anne Cummings. Voice voting Aye: Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Mary Anne Cummings, Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Voting Nay: none, and the Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 7:10PM.

Respectfully submitted by:

*Kim Nooncaster
Board Secretary*

