

Regular Meeting Minutes of the  
Gurnee Park District Board of Commissioners  
December 19, 2023

President Goshorn called the regular meeting to order at 7:02pm. The President led the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for roll call. Commissioners present: Gerry Crews, Aaron Dalzot, Vicki Paddock, Chrissie Popper and Jim Goshorn. Commissioners Absent: none. Also present: Susie Kuruvilla, Executive Director; Mike Wick, Director of Recreation; Kraig Owens, Director of Parks; Mike Szpylman, Director of Business Services; and Jennifer Gilbert, Director of Marketing and Community Relations.

A motion was made by Popper to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 21, 2023. The motion was seconded by Paddock. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Crews, Dalzot, Paddock, Popper and Goshorn. Nays: none. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the total bills, payouts and payroll in the amount of \$2,863,779.70 presented on December 19, 2023, was made by Crews and was seconded by Popper. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Crews, Paddock, Dalzot, Popper and Goshorn. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The financial report and treasurer's report were reviewed.

The President opened the floor to visitors; there were no visitors present.

Department Directors reviewed their written reports with the Board.

Director of Parks Kraig Owens reviewed the parks report. Owens reported that repairs to the FitNation pool roof were completed. Commissioner Crews commended the parks team on their efforts with additions to holiday lighting.

Director of Recreation Mike Wick reviewed the recreation report. Wick updated the board that an offer was made for the newly created youth coordinator role. The new hire will be introduced at the January meeting.

Director of Business Services Mike Szpylman reviewed the business services report.

Director Jennifer Gilbert reviewed the Marketing and Community Relations report.

Executive Director Susie Kuruvilla reviewed her report. She reported that the statistically valid community survey has been mailed out. The survey is random and 3,000 were distributed.

#### ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Paddock to approve the tax levy abatement ordinance #23/24-4 and seconded by Popper. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Crews, Paddock, Dalzot, Popper and Goshorn. Nays: none. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Popper to approve tax levy abatement ordinance #23/24-5 and was seconded by Paddock. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Paddock, Dalzot, Crews, Popper and Goshorn. Nays: none. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Crews to approve tax levy abatement ordinance #23/24-6 and was seconded by Paddock. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Paddock, Crews, Dalzot, Popper and Goshorn. Nays: none.. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Dalzot to approve revisions to the 457 (b) Plan from Mission Square to include all IMRF employees as eligible employees to participate in this program and was seconded by Popper. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Dalzot, Paddock, Crews, Popper and Goshorn. Nays: none. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Dalzot to approve Salary Grade Structure for full time employees as presented and was seconded by Paddock. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Dalzot, Paddock, Crews, Popper and Goshorn. Nays: none. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Dalzot to approve Resolution #23/24-5 allowing IMRF service credit for military service as presented and was seconded by Crews. Roll call vote taken. Ayes: Dalzot, Paddock, Crews, Popper and Goshorn. Nays: none. Motion passed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Paddock and seconded by Crews. On voice vote, all voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:34pm.

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James G. Goshorn, President

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Aaron Dalzot, Secretary