

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners  
Sycamore Park District  
Tuesday, January 26, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Sycamore Park District Board of Commissioners, DeKalb County, Illinois, being held at our Clubhouse, located at 940 E. State St., Sycamore, Illinois is called to order at 6:07 p.m. on Tuesday, January 26, 2021.

Vice President Schulz read off the Zoom information from the agenda.

Will the recording secretary please call the roll.

**Motion**

Commissioner Strack made a motion to permit Commissioners Doty, Kroeger and Strack to participate remotely. Commissioner Doty seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are physically present and will be participating in the meeting in person: **Commissioners Graves and Schulz.**

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are not physically present but will be participating in the meeting via video and/or audio conferencing: **Commissioner Doty, Kroeger and Strack.**

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are not physically present and will not be participating in the meeting: **None**

Staff members present were Director Jonelle Bailey, Jeff Donahoe, Jeanette Freeman, Jackie Hienbuecher, Kirk Lundbeck, and Theresa Tevsh.

**Guests:** None

**Regular and Consent Agenda Approval –**

**Motion**

Commissioner Strack moved to approve the Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Graves seconded the Motion.

**Voice Vote**

Vice President Schulz called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

**Approval of Minutes –**

**Motion**

Commissioner Kroeger moved to approve the December 22, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Graves seconded the Motion.

**Voice Vote**

Vice President Schulz called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.



**Motion**

Commissioner Graves moved to approve the December 22, 2020 Executive Session Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Strack seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

**Claims and Accounts Approval**

**Motion**

Commissioner Strack moved to approve and pay the bills in the amount of \$307,478.38. Commissioner Doty seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

**Correspondence –**

- Kate Romano/Brianna Kramer Thank You
- Erin Rooney Thank You
- Kate Romano Thank You
- Toys for Tots

**Public Input –**

**Positive Feedback –**

- Commissioner Graves noted the old administration office and the Pro Shop look great.

**Planning Commission Report –** Commissioner Strack noted they discussed allowing Spider Tattoo to relocate downtown and a Church into the Old State Street Motors building

**Old Business**

**MMNH Update:** Director Bailey noted we are still waiting for the appraisal to be done. There is a resolution in the packet stating what we must do to sell the building. Before that we need to get a survey and get the title. When we get the title, we can then do the survey. The resolution can then be signed to put the building up for sale. She noted that there are a few people interested in the building, but she has not heard anyone being upset it is no longer a museum.

**Pool Update:** This will be discussed in executive session.

**Operational Funding Plan 2021- Final:**

**Motion**

Commissioner Strack moved to approve the Operational Budget for 2021 as presented. Commissioner Graves seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.



**Park Naming Discussion:** This will be discussed in executive session.

**New Business**

**Bi-Annual Review of Executive Session Minutes:** Director Bailey recommended there be no Executive Session minutes released but authorizes staff to dispose of all closed session audio tapes more than 18 months old for those meetings that Executive Session minutes were approved more than 18 months ago.

**Motion**

Commissioner Strack moved to approve the recommendation as presented. Commissioner Ben seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

**100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Discussion and Planning:** Director Bailey noted that we have a tentative agenda of what we would like to do for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We would like to do a combination of what we did for the 75<sup>th</sup> and the 90<sup>th</sup>. She listed off a few of the things and noted that Sarah has a list also of what we would like to do. She noted there will be a more detailed list at next months meeting.

**Mission/Vision redefined:** Director Bailey noted that Sarah sent out a survey to staff. Supt. Tevsh, Commissioner Doty, Sarah Rex and herself talked about what should be on the survey. After this survey comes back, it will then be sent to front line staff. This will help to define our mission. Commissioner Doty noted that everything is on the right track. Our staff are doing a good job and their making decisions somehow. So even without a real mission statement, there is something staff have in mind that defines the mission of what they do in their particular area. Director Bailey went over the timeline of the surveys and noted we should have the results by the February meeting.

**Ordinance 01-2021 – Ordinance abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2020 to pay the principal of and interest on General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2017A, of the Sycamore Park District, DeKalb County, Illinois:**

**Motion**

Commissioner Strack moved to approve Ordinance 01-2021 as presented. Commissioner Doty seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.



**Ordinance 02-2021 – Ordinance abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2020 to pay debt service on General Obligation Refunding Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2015A, of the Sycamore Park District, DeKalb County, Illinois:**

**Motion**

Commissioner Strack moved to approve Ordinance 02-2021 as presented. Commissioner Kroeger seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

**Ordinance 03-2021 – Ordinance abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2020 to pay the principal of and interest on General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2019A, of the Sycamore Park District, DeKalb County, Illinois:**

**Motion**

Commissioner Strack moved to approve Ordinance 03-2021 as presented. Commissioner Kroeger seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

**Study Session for February:** The study session will be on February 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at 940 E. State St.

**Motion**

The Board adjourned the Regular Session to go into Executive Session at 6:33 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Doty for the reason listed below. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Graves.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

5. The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired.

The Board convened to Executive Session at 6:35 pm. The roll was called with Commissioners Doty, Graves, Schulz, Strack and Kroeger present along with Recording Secretary Jeanette Freeman, Director Bailey, Supt. Hienbuecher, Supt. Lundbeck, Supt. Donahoe and Supt. Tevsh.

**Motion**

The Board adjourned the Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Graves. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Doty.

**Voice Vote**

Vice President Schulz called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.



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The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 7:35 pm. The roll was called with Commissioners Doty, Graves, Schulz, Strack and Kroeger present along with Recording Secretary Jeanette Freeman, Director Bailey, and Supt. Hienbuecher, Supt. Lundbeck, Supt. Donahoe, and Supt. Tevsh

**Motion**

Commissioner Graves moved to approve Citizens Memorial Sports Complex as the name of the entire sports complex. Commissioner Kroeger seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion**

Commissioner Doty moved to approve Volunteer Fields as the name of the north baseball fields and Ron Johnson Fields as the name of the new south baseball fields. Commissioner Graves seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion**

Commissioner Kroeger moved to approve Riverside Soccer Complex as the name of the entire soccer complex. Commissioner Graves seconded the Motion.

**Roll Call**

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion**

The Board adjourned the Regular Session at 7:40 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Graves. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kroeger.

**Voice Vote**

Vice President Schulz called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted

Jeanette Freeman  
Recording Secretary  
Sycamore Park District