

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Sycamore Park District
Tuesday, June 28, 2022**

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 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

Will the recording secretary please call the roll.

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are physically present and will be participating in the meeting in person: **Commissioners Ackmann, Doty, Graves, Strack and Kroeger.**

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are not physically present but will be participating in the meeting via video and/or audio conferencing: **None.**

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

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

Guests at the Board meeting were:

Dawn Schaefer, KSRA

Regular and Consent Agenda Approval –

Motion

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

Voice Vote

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

Approval of Minutes –

Motion

Commissioner Graves moved to approve the May 24, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Ackmann seconded the Motion.

Voice Vote

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

Motion

Commissioner Strack moved to approve the May 24, 2022, Executive Session Meeting Minutes to remain confidential. Commissioner Doty seconded the Motion.

Voice Vote

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

Claims and Accounts Approval

Motion

Commissioner Doty moved to approve and pay the bills in the amount of \$411,346.06.
Commissioner Graves seconded the Motion.

Roll Call

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

Correspondence –

- DCCF – Farny Wurlitzer Ukelele Lessons

Public Input – None

Positive Feedback –

- Commissioner Graves noted he knows staff is stretched to the max. Everyone is doing a great job and he is proud to be a part of this.
- Commissioner Ackmann gave hats off to pool staff from the lifeguards to the front desk. Everyone has been friendly and doing a great job. It has been a pleasant experience this summer.
- Commissioner Kroeger noted sports concessions dollars is incredible. Commissioner Strack noted it is record numbers.
- Commissioner Kroeger noted that community center numbers are looking good along with golf numbers.

KSRA Annual Presentation: Dawn Schafer – Dawn gave a presentation on what KSRA is doing and what has taken place so far with their fund raisers.

Plan Commission: Commissioner Strack noted there were two items that were discussed. He went over both items and the discussion that took place at the Plan Commission meeting regarding a tattoo parlor in town and a towing business.

Old Business:

Construction Updates:

- **Founders Park:** Supt. Donahoe noted going great except still waiting on one spinner piece. We are hoping to get this mid-July. The benches and tables from Doty & Sons are in and the playground is being used. Director Bailey noted we will need to schedule a grand opening for the playground along with others including Ovitz, Founders, Johnson Field and disc golf.

Construction Updates:

- **Pool Status:** Supt Donahoe noted we are able to keep it going. They had to change out the chlorine injection system and it is much safer now. The new heaters are great. Director Bailey noted we will have the totals for expenditures in August some time.
- **Riverside:** Director Bailey noted that Riverside is up and running with the fields looking better. She and Supt. Donahoe have been checking the area for a kick wall. Kiwanis and a Parks Foundation member want to sponsor a kick wall since a lot of people want one.
- **Memorial Park:** Director Bailey noted this is officially complete. Commissioner Strack asked about the curbing. Director Bailey noted it is in and looks good. The curbing worked great with the rain on Saturday. It has the ADA ramps. The bocce ball court is also ADA accessible. Supt. Donahoe noted we do not plan on playing on the fields this year since all of them need the grass to grow more. Commissioner Strack asked if any news on the High School field. Director Bailey noted the school is still working with ERA on the design and possibly go out to bid this fall. She noted we are working with them and will be managing and working with the construction.
- **Reston Ponds:** Director Bailey noted there is supposed to be an announcement regarding the 2022 OSLAD awards soon.

Commissioner Graves asked how the pickleball situation is coming. Director Bailey noted we have the nets. Commissioner Doty noted he had a conversation with Chauncey, and he expressed frustration the construction company is using the area for their equipment.

Resolution #01-2022 for GWT:

Motion

Commissioner Strack moved to approve Resolution #01-2022 for the GWT.
Commissioner Graves seconded the Motion.

Roll Call

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

SPF Update:

100th Anniversary: Director Bailey noted we are currently in the process of finalizing the testimonials. We will set up a few days at the community center for the board to record their information. We plan on doing fireworks for the 100-year anniversary, so will be looking at the budget for this. There will be an events meeting coming up to formulate a schedule.

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SPF Update- cont'd:

Sip 'n' Savor Event: Director Bailey noted this is July 9th from 11 to 3 at the Main South. We have four alcohol vendors and some craft vendors at this point.

New Business

Annual Review of Board By-Laws: Director Bailey noted she just updated the formatting and re worded a few things.

Motion

Commissioner Strack moved to approve the Board By-Laws as presented. Commissioner Doty seconded the Motion.

Roll Call

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

Quarterly Capital Funds Update: Supt. Hienbuecher noted this is just an update on where we are with the capital projects.

Park Conduct Discussion– ES: This will be discussed in Executive Session.

Special Announcements –

July Study Session: None was scheduled.

Public Input – None

Motion

The Board adjourned the Regular Session to go into Executive Session at 6:54 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Doty for the reasons listed below. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Strack.

Roll Call

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

1. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.
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.

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The Board convened to Executive Session at 6:57 pm. The roll was called with Commissioners Ackmann, Doty, Strack, and Kroeger present along with Director Bailey, Supt. Tevsh and Recording Secretary Jeanette Freeman.

Motion

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

Voice Vote

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

The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 7:30 pm. The roll was called with Commissioners Ackmann, Doty, Strack and Kroeger present along with Director Bailey, Recording Secretary Jeanette Freeman, and Supt. Tevsh.

Motion

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Voice Vote

President Kroeger 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