

**Foss Park District
Committee Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER Commissioner Robinson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL

Board members present: Commissioner Johnny Johnson, Commissioner Donna King, Commissioner Kenneth Robinson and Commissioner Vance Wyatt.

Board members absent: Commissioner Yetta Little.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE waived as recited in the Budget & Appropriation Hearing.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. Colliers International
 2. Foss Park Main gates
 3. Coles and 10th Street parks equipment
- *all items moved to the end of agenda

COMMITTEE/STAFF REPORTS

1. *Business Office*

a. Director report: Ms. Cowart report: resolution for Mr. Leonard Caldwell, still in Phase 4 of Restore Illinois, 10th Street equipment waiting on other company, sexual harassment training email sent out, received Openlands ComEd Grant for Neville Park, Tiny Hands of Joy did not receive grant and purchase of 2525 Sherman may not be feasible at this time, Coles Park equipment should be installed in September, US Army Corp of Engineers had meeting and need to forward more information to committee, spring summary, ShotSpotter information.

Commissioner Wyatt asked for hard date of Coles Park playground equipment install and if IPARKS could be consulted on ShotSpotter.

b. Business Manager report: reviewed the proposed annual budget and closing of the CD account North Chicago Community Bank.

Commissioner Robinson inquired about Golf postage and the camera invoice.

Commissioner Little enters the room at 6:12 pm

2. *Parks*

a. Superintendent of Grounds report: Mr. Winter report: parks are being worked on with daily.

Commissioner Little raised issues at Foss Park – the new benches and picnic tables are still not out, the gate was closed one weekend with no immediate access, cobwebs are all over the park equipment and the shelter and band shell has moss growing on it. She also asked when the rocks would be done on the path at Hamlet Park.

Ms. Cowart stated the gate belongs to the City of North Chicago and Foss Park District staff has been instructed to not shut it. Mr. Winter stated the rocks at Hamlet Park are done and he will look into the other items and introduced new Parks Foreman, Aidan Fedyniak.

3. *Golf*

a. Manager/Golf Pro report: Mr. Monroe report: golf cart repairs continue, online business is strong right now and weekend play has increased.

Commissioner Wyatt asked about Food and Beverage and Mr. Monroe stated it is similar to a snack shop.

4. Recreation

a. Superintendent of Recreation report: Ms. Johnson report: written report submitted and introduced Recreation Coordinators Tom LeChance and Lea Branyan.

Colliers International – presented information on potential real estate opportunity. Commissioner Robinson stated the Board will meet and discuss.

Commissioner King leaves the room at 6:35 pm

Commissioner King returns to the room at 6:36 pm

Foss Park Main gates – as discussed in Director report.

Coles and 10th Street parks equipment – as discussed in Director report.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Anthony Coleman: Mr. Coleman discussed Foss Park main gate and complimented Mr. Skof on his work over the weekend.

Mr. William Coleman: Mr. Coleman discussed newly formed group North Chicago Think Tank.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

5 ILCS 120/2(c)(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: 2525 Sherman Avenue North Chicago and pending or imminent litigation.

Commissioner Wyatt motions to move to Executive Session. Second by Commissioner King.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES at 6:46 pm

Commissioner Wyatt motions to reopen Committee Meeting. Second by Commissioner King.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES at 7:03 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Wyatt motions to close the Committee Meeting. Second by Commissioner Johnson.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES at 7:03 pm

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Respectfully Submitted,
Kari Cowart, Board Secretary

**Foss Park District
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Robinson called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

ROLL CALL:

Board members present: Commissioner Johnny Johnson, Commissioner Donna King, Commissioner Yetta Little, Commissioner Kenneth Robinson and Commissioner Vance Wyatt.

Board members absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE waived as recited in the Budget & Appropriation Hearing.

1. MINUTES: Commissioner Wyatt motions to approve Committee Meeting, Executive Session and Regular Meeting (06/17/2020) minutes as presented. Second by Commissioner Johnson.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES

2. BILLS: Commissioner Wyatt motions to approve monthly bills: invoices paid (06/12/2020 –07/02/2020): \$34,311.97, invoices due \$38,794.68, invoices to be paid by credit card at approximate \$2,008.68 and first of the month bills (August) – approximate: \$10,630.00 as presented. Second by Commissioner King.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES

3. PAYROLL: Commissioner King motions to approve monthly payroll of \$81,171.14 as presented. Second by Commissioner Wyatt.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES

4. PETTY CASH REPORTS: Commissioner King motions to approve \$20.53 (Business Office) and \$118.43 (Golf Course) as presented. Second by Commissioner Wyatt.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES

5. FINANCE REPORTS: Commissioner King motions to approve finance reports as presented in the Board Packet. Second by Commissioner Little.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES

6. COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

FINANCE: COMMISSIONER WYATT: as presented in the Committee Meeting.

GOLF: COMMISSIONER JOHNSON: as presented in the Committee Meeting.

PARKS: COMMISSIONER LITTLE: as presented in the Committee Meeting.

Commissioner Johnson stated he was informed that a Commissioner was parked on the grass at Foss Park over the weekend and Commissioners should follow the same rules as the public. Commissioner Little stated she was parked on the concrete.

RECREATION: COMMISSIONER KING: as presented in the Committee Meeting.

Commissioner Wyatt motions to approve Commissioner Reports as presented. Second by Commissioner King.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. None.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

2. Approval: annual budget and appropriation ordinance for fiscal year 2020/21

Commissioner Wyatt motions to approve annual budget and appropriation ordinance for fiscal year 2020/21 with amendment of increase of total operating revenue to \$5,544,220.00. Second by Commissioner King.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES

3. Approval: resolution authorizing participation in the ComEd Green Region Program for the “Pollinator Project at Neville Park” Project Grant
Commissioner Wyatt motions to approve resolution authorizing participation in the ComEd Green Region Program for the “Pollinator Project at Neville Park” Project Grant. Second by Commissioner King.
Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson and Commissioner Wyatt.
Nay: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None. MOTION CARRIES
4. Approval: allow ShotSpotter Gunshot Detection System to install equipment on the building at 1730 Lewis Ave, North Chicago, IL 60064
Commissioner Wyatt motions to approve allow ShotSpotter Gunshot Detection System to install equipment on the building at 1730 Lewis Ave, North Chicago, IL 60064. Second by Commissioner King.
Aye: Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.
Nay: None.
Abstain: Commissioner Johnson.
Absent: None. MOTION CARRIES
5. Approval: to convert the CD ending in 8069 to a MaxSafe Money Market Account at North Chicago Community Bank
Commissioner King motions to approve to convert the CD ending in 8069 to a MaxSafe Money Market Account at North Chicago Community Bank. Second by Commissioner Wyatt.
Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson and Commissioner Wyatt.
Nay: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None. MOTION CARRIES
6. Approval: Coles and 10th street Parks equipment
Commissioner Wyatt motions to table Coles and 10th street Parks equipment until August. Second by Commissioner Robinson.
Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.
Nay: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None. MOTION CARRIES

9. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Mr. Anthony Coleman: Mr. Coleman discussed how Commissioners should be given golf carts when inspecting the parks and Commissioner Little will be requesting one.

Mr. William Coleman: Mr. Coleman discussed newly formed group North Chicago Think Tank and asked how Commissioners will develop a sense of empathy for the citizens of North Chicago.

Commissioner Wyatt stated a new strategic plan was approved recently to address those concerns.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner King motions to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Wyatt.

Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson, and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES at 7:26 pm

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Respectfully Submitted,
Kari Cowart, Board Secretary