

**Foss Park District  
Committee Meeting Minutes  
November 18, 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 Yetta Little, Commissioner Kenneth Robinson and Commissioner Vance Wyatt.

Board members absent: None.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Robinson stated an in-person meeting is not practical at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**1. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

1. Restore Illinois: Ms. Cowart reported on email that was sent out regarding Governor Pritzker's order that moves the entire State to Tier 3 Mitigations effective at 12:01 am on November 20, 2020.

**COMMITTEE/STAFF REPORTS**

*1. Business Office*

a. Director report: Ms. Cowart report: 10<sup>th</sup> Street playground: playground installation has begun, Neville Park: permitting process has begun – City is making review, Beach project: sand group has been meeting with USACoE virtually and progress continues. Possible presentation in December with all four agencies, Golf Course: Scott Puma, 2525 Sherman Avenue: Executive Session.

b. Business Manager report: Mr. Skof report: workers' compensation insurance proposal, discussion with Speer Financial regarding alternate bond, Truth and Taxation Hearing and enrolling the District in the Public Surplus program.

*2. Parks*

a. Superintendent of Grounds: Mr. Winter report: seasonal staff is done for the season and buildings are winterized. Commissioner Wyatt reminded staff of painting and repairing picnic tables and benches over the winter.

*2. Golf*

a. Manager/Golf Pro report: Mr. Monroe report: Golf Course will remain open, weather permitting.

*3. Recreation*

a. Superintendent of Recreation report: Ms. Johnson report: programs and activities will be paused effective November 20, but archery, basketball and the Halloween event went very well.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Anthony Coleman: Mr. Coleman suggested a possible park in the area near Hillcrest and Pulaski and wished everyone a happy and safe holiday.

## **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. Commissioner Wyatt motions to move to Executive Session, with the addition of 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21) discussion of minutes of meeting lawfully closed under this Act, whether for the purpose of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. 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 6:32 pm

Commissioner Johnson motions to reopen Committee Meeting. 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 6:44 pm

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Johnson motions to close the Committee Meeting. 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 6:45 pm

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Respectfully Submitted,  
Kari Cowart, Board Secretary

**Foss Park District  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
November 18, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Robinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**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 Committee Meeting.

Commissioner Robinson stated an in-person meeting is not practical at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**1. MINUTES:** Commissioner King motions to approve Committee Meeting and Regular Meeting (10/21/2020) minutes. Second by Commissioner Wyatt. Executive Session (10/21/2020) postponed.

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

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES

**2. BILLS:** Commissioner King motions to approve monthly bills: invoices paid (10/16/2020 –11/12/2020): \$98,322.16, invoices due \$71,233.27. Second by Commissioner Wyatt.

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

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES

Commissioner King motions to approve invoices to be paid by credit card at approximate \$2,683.98 and first of the month bills (December) – approximate: \$10,630.00 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

**3. PAYROLL:** Commissioner King motions to approve monthly payroll of \$104,984.98 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 \$7.49 (Business Office) and \$0.00 (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 Wyatt.

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: Commissioner Johnson asked for an update on the break in. Ms. Cowart stated the cameras have been installed, the alarm is being completed. Commissioner Johnson suggested putting the DVR in a different location or locked up securely.

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

*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. Approval: accept, decline or continue to negotiate 2525 Sherman Avenue as discussed in Executive Session (postponed from September 2020)

Commissioner Wyatt motions to postpone to a date to be determined to accept, decline or continue to negotiate 2525 Sherman Avenue as discussed in Executive Session (postponed from September 2020). Second by Commissioner King.

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

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES

## 8. NEW BUSINESS:

2. Approval: IPRF workers' compensation insurance effective 1/1/2021 for \$29,394.00 as presented  
Commissioner King motions to approve IPRF workers' compensation insurance effective 1/1/2021 for \$29,394.00 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
3. Approval: HVAC AirCon - \$25,601.00 (removal and replacement rooftop unit – emergency)  
Commissioner Johnson motions to approve HVAC AirCon - \$25,601.00 (removal and replacement rooftop unit – emergency). Second by Commissioner King.  
Commissioner King stated she received a call from Triple Tech that he would lower his quote to \$23,000.00. Commissioner Wyatt stated that was the first he heard of that. Commissioner Johnson asked if Triple Tech was associated with Jeffrey and Commissioner King stated he was.  
Aye: Commissioner Johnson and Commissioner Robinson.  
Nay: Commissioner King, Commissioner Little and Commissioner Wyatt.  
Abstain: None.  
Absent: None. MOTION FAILS
4. Approval: Certificate of Authority and Certification Regarding Lobbying – beach project  
Commissioner Wyatt motions to approve Certificate of Authority and Certification Regarding Lobbying – beach project. Second by Commissioner King.  
Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson and Commissioner Wyatt.  
Nay: None.  
Abstain: None.  
Absent: None. MOTION CARRIES
5. Approval: Clubhouse winter hours of operation:  
Sunday 11 am to 7 pm, Monday closed, Tuesday to Thursday 11 am to 7 pm, Friday 11 am to 9 pm, Saturday 11 am to 7 pm  
Commissioner Wyatt motions to approve Clubhouse winter hours of operation:  
Sunday 11 am to 7 pm, Monday closed, Tuesday to Thursday 11 am to 7 pm, Friday 11 am to 9 pm, Saturday 11 am to 7 pm. Second by Commissioner King.  
Aye: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner King, Commissioner Little, Commissioner Robinson and Commissioner Wyatt.  
Nay: None.  
Abstain: None.  
Absent: None. MOTION CARRIES

## 9. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

None.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Wyatt motions to adjourn. 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 7:25 pm

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Respectfully Submitted,  
Kari Cowart, Board Secretary