

**Foss Park District  
Special Meeting August 11, 2020  
Remote Meeting via Zoom**

**Call to order:** Commissioner Robinson called the meeting to order at 1:00 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**

Commissioner Robinson stated the meeting is being held remotely based on the COVID-19 pandemic.

**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. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) litigation, when an action against, affecting for on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

Commissioner King motioned to move to Executive Session. 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 1:03 pm

Commissioner King motioned to reopen the Special 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 1:25 pm

**Discussion**

*Parks presentation:* Commissioner Little thanked Ms. Cowart and staff for getting the park benches out and asked if some could be placed in all the parks. Ms. Cowart stated she would work on that if the benches can be secured to reduce theft.

*Power washer/water tank:* Ms. Cowart stated the parks department power washed the center shelter at Foss Park and planned on doing the South shelter, but with the recent storm, park cleanup is being done first. Ms. Cowart stated they would get back to it next week and district currently owns a water tank, but it is mounted in the dump truck when in use, so the truck cannot be used for anything else. Commissioner Wyatt suggested looking into purchasing an additional truck for the water tank.

*Purchase supplies to repair picnic tables:* Commissioner Little asked that picnic tables be painted if possible. Ms. Cowart stated the Parks Foreman will take inventory of all picnic tables and benches. Commissioner Little also asked that graffiti be removed from playground equipment.

*Extending seasonal park maintenance schedule:* no discussion.

**Business**

Action: 2525 Sherman Avenue North Chicago – accept, decline or negotiate

Commissioner King motioned to approve 2525 Sherman Avenue North Chicago – accept, decline or negotiate by Attorney Puma. Second by Commissioner Little.

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Action: approval intergovernmental agreement with Lake County, IL Government – COVID Relief Fund

Commissioner King motioned to approve approval intergovernmental agreement with Lake County, IL Government – COVID Relief Fund as presented. Second by Commissioner Little.

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**Citizens Comments**

Anthony Coleman: Mr. Coleman stated he still has dialogue with Foss Park District residents and is happy to say that the Board and staff are doing a great job at moving the district forward in the parks and programming.

**Adjournment:**

Commissioner King motioned to adjourn the 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 1:39 pm

This record is not verbatim.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kari Cowart