

**Foss Park District
Committee Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2016**

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

ROLL CALL

Board members present: Commissioner Jimmy Baldwin, Commissioner Tony Jones and Commissioner Vance Wyatt.

Board members absent: Commissioner Johnny Johnson and Commissioner Donna King.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Commissioner Johnson enters the room at 6:02 pm.

1. Splashpad – update: Mr. Joe Brusseau called in via conference call to update on the Splashpad status. He reviewed that the process was halted when Governor Rauner put a hold on OSLAD grant funding. Mr. Brusseau stated the project was over budget and the three options to try and bring the cost down include: ask contractors for different options, build the Splashpad in two phases or changing the filtration system. Board discussion included asking the contractors for different options.
2. Lakefront – update: Mr. Jon Shabica updated the lakefront status that the US Army Corp of Engineers will waive permit fee in lieu of a habitat being built and he will work with staff on grants and partnerships to reduce the cost of the entire project.

COMMITTEE/STAFF REPORTS

1. *Business Office*

a. Operations: Ms. Cowart reported she will be meeting with the architect about 14th Street property on November 18 and the lot across the street is for sale. She reported on recommended holiday hours, the Senior Breakfast is December 8 at NCHS, she will be attending a sport court meeting for the tennis court surface on November 17, Ancel Glink meeting is December 2 and bi monthly budget meetings are November 21. Ms. Cowart also summarized the Legal Symposium and that packet filing begins December 12 – 19, Monday through Friday, 9 am to 5 pm with the simultaneous filers' lottery to be December 27 at 9 am.

Mr. Skof reported the auditors will present audit for approval at the December meeting, distributed a written report for the proposed tax levy and that the park district will be back on schedule for the rollover bond and that the December 2016 payment has already been made with the money from the sale of land at Coles Park. Commissioner Baldwin stated the park district cannot get behind in filing the audit. Mr. Skof stated he has not received workman's compensation insurance as of yet.

2. *Parks*

a. Operations: None.

3. *Golf*

a. Operations: Mr. Monroe reported the tentative last day of play is November 17 with a possible two groups on Friday morning. He continued the carts will be picked up the following week. Commissioner Johnson stated the winter operations schedule will be reviewed.

4. Recreation

- a. Operations: Ms. Cowart reported the following:

Child Care (Ms. Tate): Written report submitted.

Recreation (Ms. Brooks): Thanked Halloween event sponsors that included City of North Chicago, North Chicago Community Bank, Bradley Funeral Home, Shields Township and Roycalee Wood and there were approximately 300 people in attendance. Arts and crafts classes and mentoring program will begin during holiday break; new session of stepping class began.

Seniors (Ms. Johnson): Lake Geneva trip, Wednesday craft classes, holiday shopping, glass blowing class, Nutcracker, Kenny G, meeting with Shields Township Supervisor, Rosalind Franklin osteoporosis test, ComEd information on smart meters, bingo, casino trips, movie and lunch and game day.

Athletics (Mr. Bone): Football season complete and banquet will be November 29. Off season football and cheer camps and basketball will begin for 4th and 5th graders.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Ms. Stephanie Cunningham spoke on terrible customer service at the Golf Course regarding her banquet food purchase.

Mr. David Hood spoke on how people need redemption and he wants to give back to the community of North Chicago.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Wyatt stands the meeting adjourned at 6:46 pm with no objections.

This record is not verbatim.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kari Cowart, Board Secretary

**Foss Park District
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2016**

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

ROLL CALL: Board members present: Commissioner Jimmy Baldwin, Commissioner Johnny Johnson, Commissioner Tony Jones and Commissioner Vance Wyatt.

Board members absent: Commissioner Donna King.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: waived as recited in Committee Meeting.

1. MINUTES: Commissioner Baldwin motions to approve Committee, Regular & Executive Meeting (10/19/2016) and Special Meeting (11/12/2016) minutes as presented. Second by Commissioner Jones.

Voice vote: aye – all, nay – none.

MOTION CARRIES

2. BILLS : Commissioner Johnson motions to approve monthly bills – invoices paid (10/13/16 – 11/10/2016) \$10,208.67 as presented. Second by Commissioner Baldwin.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES

Commissioner Jones motions to approve monthly bills – invoices due \$47,308.80 as presented. Second by Commissioner Baldwin.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES

Commissioner Johnson motions to approve first of the month bills (December) – approximate \$18,308.00 as presented. Second by Commissioner Jones.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES

3. PAYROLL: Commissioner Johnson motions to approve monthly payroll – \$101,897.45 as presented. Second by Commissioner Jones.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES

4. PETTY CASH REPORTS: None.

5. FINANCE REPORTS: Commissioner Johnson motions to approve all finance reports as presented. Second by Commissioner Baldwin.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES

6. COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

FINANCE – COMMISSIONER BALDWIN: As presented in Committee Meeting.

GOLF – COMMISSIONER JOHNSON: As presented in Committee Meeting.

PARKS – COMMISSIONER KING: Absent.

RECREATION – COMMISSIONER JONES: As presented in Committee Meeting.

7. PUBLIC HEARING: Public hearing concerning the intent of the Board of Park Commissioners to sell not to exceed \$1,250,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds for payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District and payment of the expenses incident thereto.

Commissioner Baldwin motions to open the public hearing regarding the tax park bonds. Second by Commissioner Jones.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES

No discussion.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Approval of volunteers (discussion in Executive Session)

2. Approval of redesign 14th Street property – Dan Bendixon architect

Commissioner Jones motions to approve Dan Bendixon to redesign 14th Street property plans. Second by Commissioner Baldwin.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES

9. NEW BUSINESS:

3. Approval of employees status change (discussion in Executive Session)

4. Approval of reimbursement policy

Commissioner Jones motions to approve the reimbursement ordinance #11162016. Second by Commissioner Baldwin.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES

5. Approval of teen party – Carlos Smith

Commissioner Wyatt asked if Mr. Smith submitted the request. Ms. Cowart stated Mr. Smith did not submit his request.

10. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Ms. Gwendolyn Brown submitted written communication about future partnerships with the Foss Park District.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: 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 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

*approval of volunteers (action; following reconvening open session)

*approval of employees status change (action; following reconvening open session)

Commissioner Baldwin motions to move to Executive Session. Second by Commissioner Jones.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES at 7:11 pm.

Commissioner Johnson motions to move to Regular Session. Second by Commissioner Baldwin.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES at 8:11 pm.

Commissioner Baldwin motions to approve employee status change as presented. Second by Commissioner Johnson.

Aye: Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Wyatt.

Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIES

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Wyatt stands the meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm with no objections.

This record is not verbatim.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kari Cowart, Board Secretary