

Round Lake Area Park District
Regular Board Meeting
January 11, 2024
6:00 p.m.

PLACE OF MEETING:

Robert W. Rolek Community Center
814 Hart Road
Round Lake, IL 60073

I. ROLL CALL

Park District Board Vice President Nick Metropulos called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Commissioners in attendance were Sarah Wright, and Lisett Secundino. Commissioners Tim Pasternak and Nathalie Alvarez were absent. Staff in attendance included: Executive Director Bob Newport, Director of Operations and Recreation Katie Gamroth, Finance Department Manager Jennifer Baker, Human Resources Manager Jennifer Ruehrdanz, Superintendent of Parks Ane Olivares, Superintendent of Facilities Matt Netrefa, and Golf Pro Manager Brad Rouse.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. CONSIDERATION OF & POSSIBLE ACTIONS ON ANY REQUEST FOR ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION IN THE MEETING

MOTION: Wright moved to approve Pasternak's and Alvarez's participation in the meeting via telephone.
SECOND: By Secundino.
VOTE: By roll call. All ayes. Motion passed.

IV. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Dolly Drath from the Silver Leaf Glen neighborhood inquired if any playground designs have been delivered. Olivares commented that she has not received any and anticipates she will start receiving some in another two or three months.

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Gamroth stated that there were no changes to the agenda.

MOTION: Wright moved to approve the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of January 11, 2024, as presented.
SECOND: By Secundino.
VOTE: By roll call. All ayes. Motion passed.

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

A. Ordinance #2024-01-01

An Ordinance providing for the issue of not to exceed \$520,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2024, of the Round Lake Area Park District, Lake County, Illinois, for the payment of land for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving, and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of said Park District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof.

Gamroth recited the purpose of the bond issuance. Metropulos asked what determines the amount of the bond issue. Baker responded that this was part of the Bond Parameters Ordinance that was passed in October, that the total issuance of bonds over the three-year period would not exceed \$3.2 million and that we consult bond counsel to the amount of each annual bond in regard to the availability of funds against our outstanding debt. Metropulos inquired about the proposed interest rate to not be higher than 6%. Baker informed the Board that the percentage is determined when the bond goes to market by our bond counsel.

MOTION: Secundino moved to adopt Ordinance # 2024-01-01.
SECOND: By Wright.
VOTE: By roll call. All ayes. Motion passed.

B. Discussion on moving the Regular Board meeting scheduled for February 8, 2024 to February 15, 2024.

Gamroth commented that the Hero Park construction bid opening will be on February 6, 2024 at 11:00am and that moving the meeting to February 15 would allow for the bid summary to be shared with the board for approval in February as opposed to waiting until the March meeting. Wright commented that she would not be able to attend, all board members were in favor of the change.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Commissioner Comments

Commissioners present wished everyone at the meeting a Happy New Year and informed staff they enjoyed the December Holiday events.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2023.
- B. Approval but not release of Executive Session Board Minutes of December 14, 2023.
- C. Approval of Cash Expenditure Transactions for the Month of December 2023.

MOTION: Pasternak moved to approve the Consent Agenda of December 14, 2023, with the correction of the spelling of commissioner Alvarez's name.
SECOND: By Wright.
VOTE: By roll call. All ayes. Motion passed.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance

1) Monthly Statements

Staff provided a written report.

B. Program and Facility Monthly Reports

1. Risk Management/Human Resources

Staff provided a written report.

2. Renwood Report

Staff provided a written report.

Board congratulated that staff on a record year at Renwood.

3. Recreation Operations Report

Staff provided a written report.

Board congratulated the recreation staff on the successful holiday events held in December and inquired about the upcoming master plan project. Newport commented that there will be a lot of information that comes out of the plan and encouraged the board to look at the community survey when completed to assist in determining what projects financially align with the community wants and districts fiscal stability.

4. Parks Report

Staff provided a written report.

XIII. REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION: Wright motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting of December 14, 2023.

SECOND: Alvarez.

VOTE: By roll call. All ayes. Motion passed.

Park Board Vice President Metropulos adjourned the December 14, 2023, Regular Board Meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted.

/s/ Tim Pasternak
Tim Pasternak, Park Board President

/s/ Katie Gamroth
Katie Gamroth, Board Secretary

2/15/24
Date Submitted