

Round Lake Area Park District
Regular Board Meeting
July 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 President Nick Metropulos called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Commissioners in attendance were Tim Pasternak, Nathalie Alvarez, Sarah Wright, and Lisett Secundino. Staff in attendance included: Director of Operations and Recreation Katie Gamroth, Superintendent of Business and Finance Jenny Baker, Human Resources Manager Jennifer Ruehrdanz, Superintendent of Parks Ane Olivares, Superintendent of Facilities Matt Netrefa, Superintendent of Recreation Karyn Nicholas, Golf Pro Manager Brad Rouse, and Child Development Center Manager Joan Ellis.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

None.

IV. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

None.

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Executive Session was moved up on the agenda to come before the Directors Report, and a spelling error on section XI has been corrected.

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

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Pasternak motioned to move into Executive Session at 6:02 p.m. in accordance with the Illinois Open Meeting Action Chapter 5ILCS Section 120/2(c)(1) discussion on appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance review of an employee, and Discussion of Minutes of Meeting lawfully closed to the public whether for the purpose of approval by the body of the minutes or

semi-annual review of Minutes, pursuant to Chapter 5ILCS 120/2(c)(21) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

SECOND: By Wright.

VOTE: By Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion passed.

The Executive Session adjourned at 6:07 p.m. and the Regular Meeting reconvened.

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

A. Intergovernmental Agreement with School District 46

Gamroth presented an updated intergovernmental agreement with Consolidated School District 46 for facility use at Park School. Gamroth noted that the original intergovernmental agreement is set to expire in September 2024. Gamroth stated the agreement was approved by the School District in their June meeting.

MOTION: Wright motioned to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Consolidated School District 46.

SECOND: By Secundino.

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

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Commissioner Comments

Metropulos thanked the Village of Round Lake Beach police and Park District staff for the excellent fireworks show. Pasternak asked if staff had heard of any trouble with smoking in the park during the event. Olivares and Gamroth both stated they had not heard of any issues from the Round Lake Beach Police.

Wright enjoyed the Duck Derby and first concert and is looking forward to the next one.

Alvarez enjoyed the fireworks and Monday Meditation for Unplug Illinois. She thanked Ruehrdanz for the great workout. Alvarez commented on how much she hears about people enjoying the pontoon rides at the Farmers Market.

Secundino enjoyed the concert and the positive partnership it is creating with the Village of Round Lake.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

- A.** Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2024.
- B.** Approval but not release of Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2024.
- C.** Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2024.
- D.** Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes of May 22, 2024.
- E.** Approval of Cash Expenditure Transactions for the Month of June 2024.

MOTION: Wright moved to approve the Consent Agenda of June 13, 2024.

SECOND: By Alvarez.

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

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance

1) Monthly Statements

Baker noted bills are coming in for Hero Park.

B. Program and Facility Monthly Reports

1. Risk Management/Human Resources

Staff provided a written report.

2. Renwood Report

Staff provided a written report.

Rouse noted that Renwood is close to last year's numbers even with the large amount of rain. He commented that Renwood has been short staffed on the maintenance end, but the course playability is good.

3. Recreation Operations Report

Staff provided a written report.

Gamroth commented that the Village of Round Lake had inquired about having liquor at the upcoming August 8 concert in the park. Metropulos directed Gamroth and Nicholas to find out more information on what specifically the Village had in mind, the board would be open to entertaining the idea in the future.

Secundino questioned if the district was losing money by not having concessions at the pool. Gamroth stated that the district is saving money by not having to pay for food going to waste and concessions staff. Gamroth notes that selling prepackaged goods at Guest Services generates revenue.

Nicholas congratulated Katy Wells for being named to the Illinois Parks and Recreation Association Board of Regents for the Pro Connect program.

Alvarez congratulated Joan Ellis on the Park and Play program.

4. Parks Report

Staff provided a written report.

Olivares provided an update on Hero Park construction.

XI. ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS AS RELATED TO EMPLOYMENT, DISCIPLINE, OR PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF AN EMPLOYEE.

MOTION: Pasternak moved to approve an employment contract with Katie Gamroth as the new Executive Director for the Round Lake Area Park District.

SECOND: By Wright.

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

Commissioners and staff congratulated Gamroth. Gamroth thanked the board, community, and staff for their trust and support. Gamroth stated she is excited for the future of the Round Lake Area Park District.

XII. CONSIDERATION OF RELEASE OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES BASED ON SEMI-ANNUAL REVIEW.

The Board, as part of the semi-annual review process and staff recommendation, determined that there were no closed session meeting minutes to be released for public inspection.

MOTION: Alvarez moved, based on the semi-annual review that no previous executive session meeting minutes were to be released for public inspection.

SECOND: Secundino.

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

XIII. CONSIDERATION OF DESTRUCTION OF CLOSED SESSION TAPES OLDER THAN 18 MONTHS BASED ON SEMI-ANNUAL REVIEW.

As part of the semi-annual review, the board considered the destruction of closed session tapes in accordance with Ordinance 2004-01-04.

MOTION: Wright moved, based on the semi-annual review, to authorize the destruction of any closed session meeting tapes older than 18 months in accordance with Ordinance 2004-01-04.

SECOND: Pasternak.

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

XIV. REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION: Wright motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting of July 11, 2024.

SECOND: Secundino.

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

Park Board President Metropulos adjourned the July 11, 2024, Regular Board Meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted.

/s/ Nick Metropulos
Nick Metropulos, Park Board President

/s/ Katie Gamroth
Katie Gamroth, Board Secretary

8/8/2024
Date Submitted