

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF
THE CARY PARK DISTRICT, CARY, ILLINOIS, HELD AT COMMUNITY CENTER,
255 BRIARGATE RD, CARY, IL, ON
NOVEMBER 21, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Frangiamore called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following Commissioners answered present: Mr. Stanko, Mr. Renner, Mr. Frangiamore.

Staff

Staff present: Dan Jones, Executive Director; Sara Kelly, Deputy Director; Becky Horn, Administrative and Project Specialist; Erica Hall, Superintendent of Recreation; Noah Mach, Superintendent of Park & Facility Maintenance; David Raica, Director of Planning & Development; Courtney Fejedelem, Program Manager.

Guests

Al Tuman
Laura Tuman
Mike Fluery, Speer Financial

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

IV. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

V. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

None.

Jones presented Commissioner Stanko with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Illinois Association of Park Districts in recognition of his 35 years of service as a dedicated Cary Park District Commissioner.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

President Frangiamore asked if any items were to be removed from the Consent Agenda. No items were requested for removal.

Renner moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: VI.A:

- 1. Approval – Minutes Regular Board Meeting dated October 24, 2024.***
- 2. Approval – Disbursements in the Amount of \$2,018,811.85 dated November 21, 2024.***

3. **Approval – Illinois Association of Park Districts 2025 Conference Credentials.**
 4. **Approval – Ordinance O-2024-25-07, Authorizing the Sale or Conveyance of Personal Property Belonging to the Cary Park District.**
 5. **Approval – Purchase of a 2024 Ford F-350 DRW XL 4WD Crew Cab with Dump Body and plow through Morrow Brothers Ford, Inc. in Greenfield, IL in the amount of \$84,373.00.**
 6. **Approval – Ordinance O-2024-25-04, Abatement of Tax Levy for the Year 2024 to Pay Debt Service on General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2018A.**
 7. **Approval – Ordinance O-2024-25-05, Abatement of Tax Levy for the Year 2024 to Pay Debt Service on General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2020A.**
 8. **Approval – Ordinance O-2024-25-06, Abatement of Tax Levy for the Year 2024 to Pay Debt Service on General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021A.**
- Second by Stanko.**

Roll call vote: Yes – Stanko, Renner, Frangiamore. No – None. Motion carried.

VII. BUSINESS ITEMS/CHANGES, ADDITIONS, DELETIONS

VII.A. Any Items Removed From Consent Agenda.

None.

VII.B. Action Items

VII.B.1. – Announce – 2024 Tax Levy Estimate.

Jones stated the levy ordinance must be filed before the last Tuesday of the calendar year in accordance with applicable laws. Jones further stated at least 20 days prior to the adoption of the levy ordinance, the Board of Commissioners must provide an estimate as to the amount of the levy, therefore the Board needs to provide an estimate of the levy this evening to satisfy the requirement.

Frangiamore announced that the Board of Commissioners of the Cary Park District announces that its Levy Estimate for 2024 shall not exceed 105% of the previous year's tax extension.

VII.B.2. – Consider – Ordinance O-2024-25-08, an Ordinance providing for the issue of approximately \$845,310 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2024, for the 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 Park District, to provide the revenue source for the payment of certain outstanding bonds of the 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.

Jones introduced Mike Fluery from Speer Financial, to present the results from the sale for issuance of General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2024. Fluery walked the Board through the four bids that were received. Fluery stated Time Bank, Park Ridge is the most responsive and responsible bid received, and recommend the bonds be awarded to Time Bank at a revised price of \$852,055 with a net interest rate of 3.59%. Fluery shared this was a successful and competitive sale. Fluery highlighted that upon acceptance of bid results and passage of the bond ordinance the closing of the sale would occur on December 5th.

Stanko moved to accept bid from Time Bank, Park Ridge, Illinois for the Cary Park District's General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2024 as presented. Second by Renner.

The Board asked if this year's rate compared with the 2023 rate and Fluery responded the 2024 rate is lower than the 2023 rate.

Roll call vote: Yes – Stanko, Renner, Frangiamore. No – None. Motion carried.

Stanko moved to approve Ordinance O-2024-25-08, an Ordinance providing for the issue of approximately \$852,055 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2024, for the 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 Park District, to provide the revenue source for the payment of certain outstanding bonds of the 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. Second by Renner.

Roll call vote: Yes – Stanko, Renner, Frangiamore. No – None. Motion carried.

VII.C. Discussion Items

VII.C.1. – Presentation – Camp Echo/Sunshine Camp Post Season Report.

Jones introduced Program Manager Fejedelem and Superintendent Hall (presenting in Program Manager Barge's absence) to present the 2024 Camp ECHO/Sunshine Camp Post Season Report. Fejedelem and Hall walked the Board through the presentation, highlighting the benefits of the day camp, enrollment, financials, staffing, weekly themes, field trips, survey results, and improvements for next year.

Renner asked Fejedelem if she has seen a difference in the 3–5-year-old age group this past summer compared to previous summers since those campers were attending Sunshine Camp right out of COVID. Fejedelem responded that the campers in year 2022 and 2023 were more impacted by COVID and that it was clear to see, but now staff observe different types of behaviors than what they were seeing in 2022 and 2023. Renner also asked why families are choosing our preschool age camp over others? Fejedelem responded that there are not as many options available for this age group, unless you are choosing a daycare setting and need that full-time care. Frangiamore asked if there is a maximum number of kids set for Sunshine Camp. Fejedelem responded that the camp operates out of three classrooms at the Preschool and each room has a sixteen-camper maximum, therefore there is a total of 48 spots available. Stanko complimented the staff on the wonderful report provided to the Board. Renner asked if there is anything the Board should be aware of and consider during the Comprehensive Master Plan (CMP) process that would improve the day camp programs. Hall responded additional space for rain locations is something that would greatly help the Camp Echo program out at the McHenry County Conservation District (MCCD) Fel-Pro RRR camp site and Cary-Grove Park for swim days where part of the day is spent at the park site and part of the day is spent at Sunburst Bay. Hall added the program has plans in places for rain locations but could use a better solution and additional space would help allow for more growth in the program. Kelly stated the bathrooms at the camp site at MCCD Fel-Pro RRR are also very limited, as well as options for shade at the site. Renner stated he would like to tour the site again and see how the camp operates on a rainy day to gain a better understanding of the issues they are experiencing at the site. Kelly added the Park District has had many conversations with District 155 and District 26 about utilizing their facilities for rain locations, but thus far there is no agreement to be reached in this

area. Frangiamore stated the Park District could consider having a conversation with MCCD about a potential joint recreation building at the site. Frangiamore complimented staff on the great report.

VIII. Executive Director Report

None.

Frangiamore asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Renner. Second by Stanko.

Voice vote: Yes – 3. No – None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.



Daniel C. Jones, Secretary
Park District Board of Commissioners