

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

Administration Center
2000 Belvidere Road
Waukegan, Illinois
May 22, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Marc Jones called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

President Marc Jones
Vice President Patricia Foley
Treasurer George Bridges
Janet Kilkelly
William Sarocka

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT:

Executive Director Jay Lerner
Executive Assistant Sally Sandine, Superintendent of Finance & Administration Jon Beckmann,
Superintendent of Recreation Errick Beverly, Superintendent of Parks Scott MacLean, Community
Relations Manager Teddy Anderson, Deputy Superintendent of Recreation and Arts Mike Mayfield,
Deputy Superintendent of Sports Quincy Bejster, and Attorney Martin Walker.

III. PUBLIC PORTION

None

IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

Richard Lee, a member of the Ray Bradbury Sculpture Committee, advised the Board of Committee's effort to erect a statue commemorating the life and works of world-renowned author and Waukegan native, Ray Bradbury.

V. REVIEW / DISCUSS / DECIDE

A. Approval to Obtain bids and Quotes.

1. Mr. MacLean requested permission to obtain bids and quotes for the HVAC Replacement at Bonnie Brook Clubhouse in accordance with the replacement schedule. Motion by Commissioner Bridges, seconded by Commissioner Foley, to obtain bids and quotes for the HVAC Replacement, at Bonnie Brook Clubhouse. There was no discussion on this matter. On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYE: Kilkelly, Foley, Bridges, Sarocka, Jones
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

2. Mr. Jim Johnson, Project Manager, requested permission to publish the bid proposals for the Belvidere Corrine Rose Project. Motion by Commissioner Foley, seconded by Commissioner Kilkelly, to approve publishing of the bid proposals for the Belvidere Corrine Rose Project. Commissioner Bridges asked how would the bid material be distributed. Mr. Johnson said the Bid Packets would be published in the Tribune and Sun-Times Newspapers, on the District's Web site and from there a number of National and International Tracking Agencies would also gather and repeat the Bid publication. There was no discussion on this matter. On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYE: Kilkelly, Foley, Bridges, Sarocka, Jones
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

3. Approval Granting Stuckey Construction permission to submit bids to "self-perform" duties on the Belvidere Park Project.

Mr. Johnson presented Stuckey Construction Company's (Stuckey) request for permission to submit bids for the Belvidere Park Project. He said this step is required because Stuckey is acting as the Construction Manager of the project, and the Board must grant Stuckey permission before they can submit Bids. Mr. Johnson stated it would be in the best interest of the District to allow Stuckey to submit Bids. Motion by Commissioner Kilkelly, seconded by Commissioner Foley, to grant Stuckey permission to submit bids to "self-perform" duties on the Belvidere Park Project. Commissioner Bridges asked Mr. Johnson if the development of the Bid Packets and the publishing procedures were designed to accomplish the District's objective of getting more local vendors to submit Bids. Mr. Ed Stuckey said they have tried to structure the Bids in a way to make the workforce a diverse workforce, which reflects the image of this community. There was no further discussion on this matter. On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYE: Kilkelly, Foley, Bridges, Sarocka, Jones
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

4. Approval of Resolution 2018-13, Honoring Retiring Waukegan Symphony Orchestra Conductor, Stephen Blackwelder.

Motion by Commissioner Bridges, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve Resolution 2018-13, honoring retiring Symphony Orchestra Conductor, Stephen Blackwelder. There was no discussion on this matter. On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYE: Kilkelly, Foley, Bridges, Sarocka, Jones

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

5. Juneteenth Event Update.

Mr. Beverly advised the Board the Juneteenth Cultural Committee has asked if the District could help in this year's Juneteenth Event, by partnering with the Juneteenth Cultural Committee, City of Waukegan, Waukegan School District, and Eddie Washington Center. He said this would be the 15th Annual Juneteenth conference and festival; with the theme of "Rebuilding, Restoring, Healing our Community - Together." He said the event is planned for Saturday, June 16, 2018, from 12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m. at Bowen Park. Commissioner Bridges asked what the anticipated attendance was for the event. Mr. Rohrer said the event planners are expecting 1500 people. President Jones stated this is an excellent collaborative project, where the District central assistance will be providing the park.

6. 1324 Golf Road Building Update.

Director Lerner said the renovation is progressing very well and they are still on schedule to have the Grand Opening August 1, 2018.

7. Discussion regarding Prioritizations of Capital Projects.

Mr. MacLean said with the possibility of the OSLAD grants becoming available he wanted to submit a list of the parks in greater need of improvement, in their respected priority. He said if no grant funds become available the District may be able to address one or two of the projects in phases.

VI. COMMISSIONERS QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

Commissioner Bridges commented on the leadership of Mr. Blackwelder in making the Waukegan Symphony Orchestra one of the best orchestras in the state. Commissioner Sarocka announced that after much consideration and thought, he decided to tender his resignation as Commissioner of the Waukegan Park District, today, and make it effective immediately. He said, while he loves the Waukegan Park District and his service as a commissioner, he feels it is essential that he devote more time to his family. By consensus, the Board agreed to set May 29, 2018, at 4 p.m. at a Special meeting to discuss the process to fill the vacancy created by Commissioner Sarocka's resignation.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Jones to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

George Bridges
Secretary