

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS  
WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT  
Administration Center  
2000 Belvidere Road  
Waukegan, Illinois  
June 14, 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

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT**

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Executive Director Jay Lerner  
Executive Assistant Sally Sandine, Community Relations Manager Teddy Anderson.

**III. PUBLIC PORTION**

None.

**IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**V. MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Commissioner Bridges, seconded by Commissioner Foley, to enter into closed session to conduct the selection process to fill a vacancy in public office, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3). On a roll called vote, the vote was as follows:

AYE: Kilkelly, Foley, Bridges, Jones

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried. The closed session convened at 4:10 p.m.

The Board having previously agreed to interview the three (3) finalists. The finalists were brought into the meeting and were interviewed the Commissioners. Each candidate was given the opportunity to ask questions of the Commissioners.

At the conclusion of the interviews the Commissioners provided their synopsis of each candidate. Commissioner Kilkelly said she was pleased with the caliber of candidates who had applied for the vacancy, but her only regret was the fact that only one Hispanic applied. Commissioner Foley said she was impressed with all of the candidates and believed they were qualified. Commissioner Bridges said he was excited to hear each of the candidates' passion to serve on the Board of Commissioners. He said he is mindful of the fact that the composition of the Board should reflect the community. President Jones said the willingness to serve was on full display in hearing the candidates' reasons for wanting to become a Commissioner. However, he said he remains concerned with the lack of diversity on the Board.

After an hour-long closed session with the Commissioners, they each indicated they had their choice as to who should serve on the Board of Commissioners.

Motion by Commissioner Bridges, seconded by Commissioner Foley, to reconvene open session. There was no discussion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. The Board reconvened in open session at 5:15 p.m.

## **VI. ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

After interviewing the candidates, the Commissioners voted to appoint one of the candidates. Motion by Commissioner Kilkelly to appoint Mr. Evaristo Duran to fill the vacate commissioner seat. Motion died because of a lack of a second.

Motion by Commissioner Bridges, seconded by Commissioner Foley, to appoint Jeremiah Johnson to fill the vacancy created by Commissioner Sarocka's resignation. There was no discussion on the motion. On the roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYE: Foley, Bridges, Jones

NAY: Kilkelly

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

## **VII. COMMISSIONERS QUESTIONS & COMMENTS**

None.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Commissioner Bridges moved, seconded by President Jones to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

George Bridges  
Secretary