

Minutes of a Regular Session of the
Board of Commissioners of the Lemont Park District
Held on December 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
Lemont Safety Village and Virtual via Zoom Meeting
55 Stephen St., Lemont, IL 60439

CALL TO ORDER – President Pepich called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. This meeting was conducted by audio or video conference without a physically present quorum of the Lemont Park District Board because of a disaster declaration related to COVID-19 public health concerns affecting the jurisdiction of the agency. The President of the Board determined that an in-person meeting at Lemont Safety Village with all participants was not practical or prudent because of the disaster. Board Members and Staff were not physically present at Lemont Safety Village due to the disaster; however, the Executive Director was. Physical public attendance at Lemont Safety Village was limited or not feasible, so alternative arrangements for public access to hear the meeting were made available by emailing Executive Director Louise Egofske at legofske@lemontparks.org by 3:00 p.m. on December 16th, 2020. Public comments were also accepted via email in advance of the meeting to legofske@lemontparks.org and will be entered into public record. The meeting will also be audio or video recorded and made available to the public, as provided by law.

ROLL CALL –

Commissioners present virtual via Zoom: McAdam, Scarlati, Mescher, Wagner, Pepich. All Commissioners present were able to see and hear each other at the Zoom meeting.

Executive Director Louise Egofske and Larry Rizzo were present at Safety Village. Recording secretary, Karen Perkey and staff - Morelli, Khuen, Aguirre, Ganzer and Dellamano attended the meeting virtual via Zoom. Attorney Carl Buck also attended the meeting via Zoom.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Led by Commissioner McAdam.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA – None.

ACTION ITEMS –

Public Hearing for the Budget and Appropriation – At 6:33 p.m., President Pepich opened the Budget and Appropriation hearing for fiscal year 2021. In November, a Budget Workshop was held with board and staff. At the workshop, staff presented fiscal year 2020 projected financial results along with the fiscal year 2021 recommended budget to the board. After the workshop discussion, staff was directed to prepare the tentative budget and appropriation ordinance. In accordance with state statute, the ordinance has been available for public inspection for 30 days prior to this hearing. As required by state statute, notice of the public hearing was published in the Lemont Suburban Life. There was no comment from the public. Commissioner Wagner made a motion to close the Budget & Appropriation hearing, with a second by Commissioner Scarlati.

Roll Call: Ayes – Commissioners McAdam, Scarlati, Mescher, Wagner, Pepich.

Nays – None.

At 6:36 p.m., President Pepich opened a public hearing regarding the intent to sell General Obligation Limited Park Bonds in the amount not to exceed \$635,000. The purpose of the bonds is to finance large capital projects approved in the capital improvement plan. These projects include improvement and upgrades to park sites and facilities along with the purchase of various recreational and maintenance equipment. As required by state statute, notice of the public hearing was published in the Lemont Suburban Life. There was no comment from the public. President Pepich made a motion to close the public hearing for the General Obligation Limited Park Bonds, with a second by Commissioner Mescher. The hearing was closed at 6:37 p.m.

Roll Call: Ayes – Commissioners Scarlati, Mescher, Wagner, McAdam, Pepich.

Nays – None.

CORRESPONDENCE — In the packet, including a Thank You Letter from Bethany Lutheran Church, the Lemont Historical Society CORNERSTONE Newsletter, the SEASPAR Annual Report and the PDRMA 2020 Risk Management Review Award Letter.

CUSTOMER SERVICE AND COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT AWARD RECOGNITION —

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None. No emails or written correspondence were received prior to the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA – The following items were presented to the board as consent:

- 3.1 Action - Approval of Minutes-November 11, 2020 Budget Workshop, November 11, 2020 Regular Meeting and December 2, 2020 Special Meeting
- 3.2 Action - Approval of November 2020 Treasurer's Report
- 3.3 Action – Approval of November 2020 Payables
- 3.4 Action – Approval of December 2020 Payables
- 3.5 Action – Approval of Budget & Appropriation Ordinance #2020-5
- 3.6 Action – Approval of Resolution #2020-11 Approving the 2021 Board Meeting Schedule
- 3.7 Action – Approval of 2021 Pay Grade Structure
- 3.8 Action – Approval of Resolution #2020-12 Authorizing the Approval of an Amendment to the Joint Agreement with SEASPAR

Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented including the payment of bills for November in the amount of \$486,426.04 for November and \$348,006.67 for December, with a second by Commissioner McAdam.

Roll Call: Ayes – Commissioners Mescher, Wagner, McAdam, Scarlati, Pepich.
Nays – None.

BOARD BUSINESS —

President's Comments: None.

Commissioners' Comments: None.

STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS -

Executive Director's Report – The report was included in the packet.

Intergovernmental – None.

Marketing & Recreation – The report was included in the packet. Carrie Dellamano gave a Power Point Presentation about a new Mission Statement for the Board to review. There was a brief discussion.

Facilities – The Facilities Report was included in the packet.

Fitness – The Fitness Report was included in the packet.

Maintenance – The report was included in the packet. Larry Rizzo updated the Board on the Bambrick Park project.

Finance/Human Resources – The report was included in the packet.

Policy & Procedure – Action – Approval of Ordinance #2020-6 General Use Ordinance.

President Pepich made a motion to approve Ordinance #2020-6 General Use Ordinance, with a second by Commissioner Wagner.

Roll Call: Ayes – Commissioners Wagner, McAdam, Scarlati, Mescher, Pepich.
Nays – None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION – Commissioner McAdam made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session for the following, with a second by President Pepich at 7:32 p.m.:

9.2 The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in park, recreational or educational setting or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational or educational setting or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) of the Open Meeting Act

The following were invited into the session: board members Wagner, McAdam, Mescher, Scarlati and Pepich and Executive Director Egofske, Jason Khuen and Attorney Buck.

Roll Call: Ayes – Commissioners Wagner, McAdam, Scarlati, Mescher, Pepich.

Nays – None.

The regular meeting resumed at 7:47 p.m.

ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Action – Approval of one-time year-end bonuses for employees

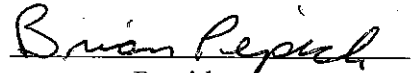
President Pepich made a motion to approve a one-time year-end bonus to employees, with a second by Commissioner McAdam.

Roll Call: Ayes – Commissioners Scarlati, Mescher, Wagner, McAdam, Pepich.

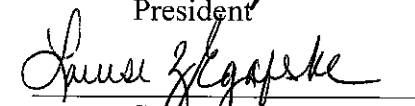
Nays – None.

FINAL ADJOURNMENT — Commissioner Scarlati made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Commissioner Mescher. All ayes – motion carried.

The meeting adjourned 7:50 pm



President



Secretary