

Minutes of a Regular Session of the  
Board of Commissioners of the Lemont Park District  
Held on January 13, 2021 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 6:33 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](mailto:legofske@lemontparks.org) by 3:00 p.m. on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Public comments were also accepted via email in advance of the meeting to [legofske@lemontparks.org](mailto: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: Mescher, Wagner, McAdam, Scarlati, 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 and Dellamano attended the meeting virtual via Zoom. Joe Brusseau, Hitchcock Design and Paul Gozder, Parkrecreation, also attended the meeting via Zoom.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Led by Commissioner Mescher.

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA** – None.

**CORRESPONDENCE** — In the packet, including a Thank You Letter from Bethany Lutheran Church.

**CUSTOMER SERVICE AND COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT AWARD RECOGNITION** —

None. Christine Aguirre, Aquatic and Risk Manager, and Anthony Brown, Fitness Desk Attendant, were recognized for 5 Years of Service at the District.

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

**PRESENTATION** – Joe Brusseau, Hitchcock Design, led a presentation for the board for the redesign of the Lemont Jr. Woman’s Club Centennial Park. The presentation included a site plan and playground concepts including play pieces, surfaces, seating and plantings. Paul Gozder explained his concept designs to the board. There will be a public meeting regarding the park redesign on January 27<sup>th</sup> via in person and zoom. The timeline for the project was included in the discussions.

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

- 3.1 Action - Approval of Minutes-December 16, 2020 Regular Meeting
- 3.2 Action - Approval of December 2020 Treasurer’s Report
- 3.3 Action – Approval of additional December 2020 Payables
- 3.4 Action – Approval of Open Meetings Act Officers
- 3.5 Action – Approval of Freedom of Information Act Officers
- 3.6 Action – Approval of Surplus Ordinance #2021-2

President Pepich made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, with a second by Commissioner Scarlati.

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

**ACTION ITEMS** –

- 4.1 Action – Approval of Bond Ordinance #2021-1, an Ordinance providing the issue of not to exceed \$635,000 GO Limited Tax Park Bonds Series 2021 of the Lemont Park District, Cook, DuPage and Will

Counties

Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve Bond Ordinance #2021-1, with a second by Commissioner McAdam.

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

**BOARD BUSINESS — Action – Approval of 2021 Selected Services**

The Board approved the following Selected Services for 2021:

Executive Director – Louise Egofske

Park Board Secretary – Louise Egofske

Auditor – Lauterbach & Amen

Attorney – Rathbun, Cservenyak & Kozol and Klein, Thorpe & Jenkins, Ltd., as needed

Financial Advisor – Bridgeport Partners

ADA Compliance Officer – Jason Khuen

Newspapers of Record – Suburban Life Newspaper & Daily Southtown

**President's Comments:** President Pepich had positive comments for the staff.

**Commissioners' Comments:** Commissioner Wagner had positive comments for the District.

**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.

**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 and the Downtown Linear Park projects. Jason Khuen announced that the remote meetings will be moved from the Zoom format to Microsoft Teams.

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

**Policy & Procedure** – None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – Executive Director Egofske reported on the pending IGA with School District 113A. Egofske will send the proposed changes to the board for review.

**NEW BUSINESS** – None.

**ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.**

Action – Approval for Executive Session Minutes To Be Released

Commissioner Wagner made a motion to Release Executive Session Minutes as presented, with a second by Commissioner Scarlati.

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

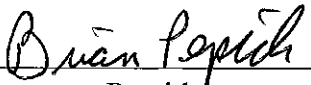
Action – Approval for Executive Session Minutes to Remain Confidential

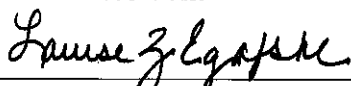
President Pepich made a motion that the need for confidentiality exists as to all or part of all other Executive Session Minutes, with a second by Commissioner McAdam.

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

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

The meeting adjourned 8:10 pm

  
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President

  
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Secretary