

Minutes of a Committee of the Whole Meeting of the
Board of Commissioners of the Lemont Park District
Held on March 10, 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 6:35 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 March 10, 2021. 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: McAdam, Mescher, Pepich. Commissioner Scarlati was present at the Lemont Safety Village.

Commissioner absent: Wagner.

All Commissioners 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, Hanson and Dellamano attended the meeting virtual via Zoom. Pat Callahan and Craig Meadows, Studio GC, also attended the meeting via Zoom.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge was led by Commissioner Scarlati.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA – None.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION –

Update – Studio GC – Downtown Lemont Linear Park Project–Craig Meadows reported to the board on several aspects of the park including the changes to the plans from the last update. Craig updated the board on the approval process. There was a discussion on the changes and updates.

Update – Approval of Personnel Policy Manual with the addition of Section 3-13 Sick Leave Donation Program – President Pepich asked the board members to send him any questions and comments on the proposed policy.

Update – Summer 2021 Events – Carrie Dellamano updated the board on the upcoming summer events and programs that are being planned at this time.

Old Business –

The board was updated on the upcoming Quarryman Race. There was a brief discussion on the awards. The District will need to confirm the July 3rd fireworks display with Melrose Pyrotechnics by April 1, 2021. President Pepich stated he will confirm the commitment of the Village of Lemont and the Lemont Township to move forward with the July 3rd date. President Pepich reminded the board and staff that the board meetings will continue on a virtual platform but stated a board member may attend in person if they choose to do so.

Lemont Jr. Woman's Club Centennial Park – Larry Rizzo reported that a permit from MWRD is not necessary for the park renovation. The play pieces have been ordered to avoid the expected cost increases. Bid packets will be created and sent out soon. The project is expected to be started in June and completed by Labor Day. Bambrick Park is expected to be completed by the beginning of May. The Centennial Path Walking Path project will be finalized in the coming weeks.

New Business – None.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.

FINAL ADJOURNMENT —Commissioner Scarlati made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Commissioner McAdam. All ayes -motion carried. The meeting adjourned 7:39 p.m.

Brian Pepich

President

Laurie Ziegler

Secretary