

Minutes of a Committee of the Whole Meeting of the  
Board of Commissioners of the Lemont Park District  
Held on October 13, 2021, 6:30 p.m.  
At the Centennial Community Center  
16028 127<sup>th</sup> Street, Lemont, IL 60439

**CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by President Pepich at 6:33 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** – Commissioners Present: President Pepich, Commissioner Wagner, Commissioner Mescher, Commissioner McAdam, Commission Scarlati. Also in attendance were Executive Director Louise Egofske and staff Dellamano, Aguirre, Morelli, Khuen and Carlene Dickman as recording secretary for the evening.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - led by Commissioner Mescher

**CHANGES TO AGENDA** – None

**COMMUNICATIONS** – President Pepich opened the floor to public comment. President Pepich extended condolences to Commissioner McAdam from the Board and staff. Included in the packet is an invitation from Lemont High School for a reception for Theo J. Gorski & Son on Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. President Pepich thanked the staff and the Lemont Park Foundation for all of the hard work on the Foundation golf outing. Shout out to Commissioner Scarlati on his fundraising efforts.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS – UPDATES**

Update - Telephony/GoToMeeting Phone Agreement – Jason has done a lot of work on bringing us up to next level. The document included in the packet is self-explanatory and makes sense for us since Microsoft Teams is not as robust as we need. No questions from the Board.

Update - 2022 Health Care Recommendations – Approaching annual enrollment for PDRMA healthcare. We are under contract through 2023. Good news for employees, PDRMA will be moving from Aetna PPO to Blue Cross and Blue Shield PPO. Cost have not increased much, PPO rate is flat, no increase for us. HMO did go up 5%. Vision and dental had a minimal increase. Recommend we continue with the HRA and numbers in memo. We will recommend approval of the plan at next board meeting. Asked if we offered incentive if staff waives enrollment in our plan and yes, it is in the document. No further questions.

Update - 2022 IAPD Credentials Certificate – At this time, the IAPD annual conference will be held in person in January in downtown Chicago. We are asked to assign delegates to attend IAPD business meeting. IAPD Conference dates are Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. The annual

business meeting will be held on January 29<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. If you would like to be listed as a delegate, please let Louise know so the form can be filled out and sent in. A few staff may be listed as well. Questions? None.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Update – Downtown Lemont Park Naming – Carrie wanted to thank everyone for feedback, comments and questions from first round. New information is in the packet and showing on screen. Takeaways from the first round were that we need to hone in and embrace the history of Lemont. Came up with a lot of ideas during research. The timeline for naming process and memo in the packet. Much discussion on the naming process and the possible names. The top four names for consideration in the creative brief are Quarry Stone Park, Stephen Street Park, Heritage Bridge Park and Athens Park. We would like to send the Village a letter to engage them in the naming process before we ask for the public to give feedback on the top names. The Board said Carrie did a great job with this. Mentioned that we currently have some dirt that we deposited on the new park site that is from Bambrick. We need to further review the ground water wells on the site and will continue to update. No new updates on the park development at this time.

Discussion about mask wearing at our district as well as other districts and how staff is handling these unique situations. We are getting both types of complaints - some say we are enforcing too much and other say we are not enforcing enough. Louise reached out to Jason Anselman at IAPD to see if they have any updates from Springfield on guidelines to follow. Discussion on how following current resources and guidelines is affecting our district activities and revenue and will continue to affect us as time goes on. We are not eligible for revenue relief like the other businesses. There was some discussion about a few people hearing Governor Pritzker say that if the numbers keep dropping that we may see things change and masks could be lifted. No specific metrics to follow at this time but Governor Pritzker said we are moving in the right direction.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

IT RFQ Update – We have been with Zlan since The CORE was built back in 2009 and they managed our network. We just went to RFQ , six companies replied and all are different. Will come forward with a recommendation for approval at the October 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting. With a new company, we should see a decline in costs as some items that we are currently billed for will be included in the new quote. Spoke about the various items that would be included. Will cover 98% of what we do and will have unlimited tech support for five work items per person (desktop, laptop, phone, etc.).

Louise mentioned the upcoming meeting schedule and went through all upcoming dates. Mentioned that she is working on Levy and budget. October 27<sup>th</sup>, we will host a ribbon cutting for the LJWC Playground at 5:30 p.m. with the monthly board meeting starting immediately after. November meetings are back-to-back, November 3<sup>rd</sup> and November 10<sup>th</sup>. Mentioned that on November 3<sup>rd</sup>,

we could have a budget workshop, and November 10<sup>th</sup> would be a board meeting and we could take action announcing the levy and then put tentative budget ordinance on display in both facilities. The schedule is designed to meet publication requirements. Could do a budget workshop as call in if need to. Will remind everyone.

The next Lemont Park District Board Meeting will be held on October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at the Centennial Community Center.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION – President Pepich made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session for the following, with a second by Commissioner Mescher at 7.24 p.m.

4.1 The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussion whether a particular parcel should be acquired, pursuant to 5IL/CS 120/2(c)(5)

The following were invited into Executive Session: Commissioners McAdam, Wager, Scarlati, Pepich, Mescher and staff Executive Director Egofske and Khuen.

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

Nays – None

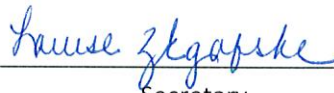
Regular meeting resumed at 8:08 p.m.

FINAL ADJOURNMENT – President Pepich made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Commissioner Mescher. All Ayes – motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.



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President



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Secretary