

Minutes of a Regular Session of the  
Board of Commissioners of the Lemont Park District  
Held on December 15, 2021  
At Centennial Community Center and Virtual via Zoom Meeting  
16028 127<sup>th</sup> Street, Lemont, IL 60439

**CALL TO ORDER** - President Pepich called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** - Commissioners Present: Pepich, Wagner, Mescher, Scarlati, McAdam. Also in attendance were Executive Director Louise Egofske, recording secretary for this evening Carlene Dickman and staff – Dellamano, Morelli, Aguirre, Rizzo and Khuen. No public in attendance.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Led by Commissioner Scarlati

**CHANGE TO THE AGENDA** – None

**ACTION ITEMS –**

Public Hearing for the Budget and Appropriation – At 6:31 p.m. President Pepich opened the Budget and Appropriation Hearing for the fiscal year 2022. In November 2021, a Budget Workshop was held with board and staff. At the workshop, staff presented fiscal year 2021 projected financial results along with the fiscal year 2022 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 the hearing. As required by state statute, notice of the public hearing was published in the Lemont Suburban Life. President Pepich opened the floor to public comment, no public comments. No written comments. No comments or questions from the board. Commissioner Mescher made a motion to close the Budget & Appropriation hearing, with a second by Commissioner Wagner.

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

At 6:32 p.m. President Pepich opened the public hearing regarding the intent to sell General Obligation Limited Park Bonds in the amount not to exceed \$645,000. 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. President Pepich opened the floor to public comment, no comments. No written comments received. No questions or comments from the board. President Pepich made a motion to close the public hearing for the General Obligation Limited Park Bonds, with a second by Commissioner Wagner. The hearing was closed at 6:33 p.m.

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

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

**CORRESPONDENCE** – In the packet were a few thank you notes from the family of Ron Zabilka.

**CUSTOMER SERVICE AND COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT AWARD RECOGNITION** – None

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – President Pepich opened the floor to public comment.

Hearing none, President Pepich closed the floor to public comment.

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

4.1 Action – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes – November 10, 2021, and Special Meeting December 1, 2021

4.2 Action – Approval of November 2021 Treasurer’s Report

4.3 Action – Approval of December Payables

4.4 Action – Approval of Budget & Appropriation Ordinance #2021-6

4.5 Action – Approval of Resolution #2021-10 Approving the 2022 Board Meeting Schedule

4.6 Action – Approval of Pay Grade Structure Increase

4.7 Action – Approval of July 3<sup>rd</sup> Fireworks Display 2022-2023 Rendered Agreement and Addendum due to name change of the company

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

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

Nays - None

## **BOARD BUSINESS –**

**President’s Comments** – President Pepich thanked all staff for a fine job with senior holiday party. He has heard numerous comments about how well it went and what a good time everyone had. Great job to Marie on her singing. Thank you to Commissioner Scarlati for calling bingo at the event.

**Commissioner’s Comments** – None

## **STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS –**

**Executive Director’s Report** – Executive Director Louise Egofske mentioned that she will be asking the board to approve the bond ordinance at the January meeting 12<sup>th</sup>, and we will make that a special meeting. Thank you to Jason for working on getting all of our computers updated with new IT company.

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL** – President Pepich mentioned that he, Louise Egofske and Christine Aguirre attended the CITGO holiday party. They were able to discuss future projects, partnerships/sponsorships for the upcoming year and CITGO were very receptive. CITGO is a great partner to have.

**MARKETING AND RECREATION** – Nothing to add. Merry Christmas and thank you to the board for all your support.

**RISK MANAGEMENT, AQUATICS AND ATHLETICS** – Nothing to add. Thank you to the board.

**FACILITIES** – Nothing to add. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the board.

**FITNESS** – None

**MAINTENANCE** – Larry Rizzo gave a quick update regarding the Kettering Park property. He received an indication from MI homes that they will move forward with the cash payout of nearly \$18,000 in lieu of water of sanitary lines. A memo will be put together for approval at the next meeting.

**FINANCE/HUMAN RESOURCES** – None

**POLICY & PROCEDURE** – Christine mentioned that she received approval to offer part-time staff holiday pay for those who work on Christmas and New Year's. This will be followed up with the board at the next meeting. President Pepich added that after the conference next month, items will be updated and added from staff.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS –**

7.1 Action – Approval for name of Downtown Lemont Park to be Stephen Street Park

President Pepich thanked Carrie for all her hard work on this naming project and for making this happen, getting everyone involved and collecting the feedback. We are going to determine the name this evening. Three names were presented to the public and the feedback was all fairly close. The Village was happy with the three names presented for consideration. Therefore, it falls back to the Board of Commissioners to determine a name for the Downtown Lemont Park. Commissioner McAdam gave a little history regarding Lemont and the various names up for consideration, especially Athens Park. There was discussion from the board regarding the possible names. All Commissioners agreed that they like Athens Park the best. There is opportunity to include various elements of the other names in the park in keeping with the history of Lemont. Let the Records reflect that all Commissioners agreed on Athens Park.

Commissioner Scarlati made a motion to approve the Downtown Lemont Park Name as Athens Park, with a second by Commissioner McAdam.

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

7.2 Action – Approval of Resolution #2021-11 Authorizing Easement Regarding Northview Park-McCarthy Road

Commissioner Wager made a motion to approve Resolution #2021-11 Authorizing Easement Regarding Northview Park on McCarthy Road, with a second by Commissioner Scarlati.

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

7.3 Action – Approval of Easement Agreement for water service line for the property located at 1137 McCarthy Road

Commissioner Mescher made a motion to approve the Easement Agreement for water service line for the property location at 1137 McCarthy Road, with a second by Commissioner Wagner.

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

Jason also gave the Commissioners copies of the final items for Briarcliffe Park. The Commissioners discussed the Briarcliffe Park playground and what the residents would like.

**NEW BUSINESS –**

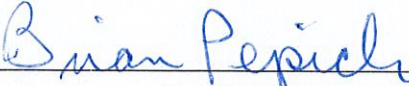
8.1 Action – Approval of AMP Fixed Assets Software Agreement – President Pepich made a motion to approve the initial year (2022) and two renewal years (2023 and 2024) agreement between the Lemont Park District and Assetworks for Software License, Hosting and Maintenance of our Fixed Assets, with a second by Commissioner Wagner.

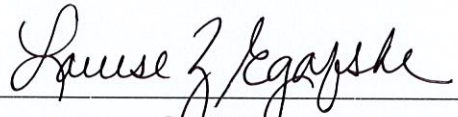
**Roll Call:** Ayes – Commissioners Wagner, Mescher, Pepich, Scarlati, McAdam  
Nays – None

President Pepich thanked the Commissioners for all their hard work. Thanked staff for how well everyone is working together even though we have been short-handed. Staff has adjusted and made it easy for the board and they are proud of all that staff has done for them. Staff did a great job and thanked them for all they do and look forward to another great year ahead. Have a safe and holiday season with your families.

**FINAL ADJOURNMENT** – Commissioner Scarlati made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Commissioner Wagner. All Ayes – motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

  
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President

  
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