



Wheaton Park District

Wheaton Park District Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Wednesday November 16, 2022 5:00 p.m.

City of Wheaton Council Chambers 303 W. Wesley Street Wheaton, Illinois

CALL TO ORDER –President Frey called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Barrett, Frey, Kelly, Mee, Morrill, Pecharich, and Vires were present.

PRESENTATIONS

Festival of Lights at Cosley Zoo

Director of Marketing Wilhelmi said that she was sharing a little of what we have coming up for the holiday season. She said that we are one week away from the Cosley Zoo Festival of Lights & Christmas Tree Sale. Cosley Zoo's biggest fundraiser of the year. The festival is free to all visitors and begins on November 25 and runs through the end of December. The zoo will be open from 9am to 9pm and will be decked out with thousands of holiday lights and fresh evergreen trees. Then on Saturday December 3, we will host our annual Reindeer Run with the Wheaton Lions Club. We have close to 800 runners registered and ready for a festive-filled morning. You can still register for this 5k run/walk at wheatonparkdistrict.com. More holiday events include Pizza with Santa, Santa's Craft Corner and Light up Wheaton house decorating contest in partnership with the City of Wheaton. Plus, for those looking to start their holiday shopping, our gift card promotion begins next week. When you purchase \$100 or more in Wheaton Park District gift cards, you will receive a \$10 Arrowhead restaurant voucher for use starting in January 2023. She stated that for more information about all these events and promotions can be found on our website at wheatonparkdistrict.com.

COMMUNITY INPUT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Disbursements totaling \$1,316,861.46 for the period beginning October 12, 2022 and ending November 8, 2022
- B. Approval of the Disbursements totaling \$392,234.03 for the period beginning October 12, 2022 and ending November 8, 2022
- C. Approval of the Subcommittee Meeting Minutes for November 2, 2022
- D. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes for October 19, 2022
- E. Approval of the Closed Meeting Minutes for October 19, 2022
- F. Approval of Change Order Number 2 Graf Park Backstop Project – Proline Fence contract amount increase of \$600
- G. Approval of Change Order Number 1 Park Service Center Painting Project – Allied Painting Services contract amount increase of \$1,200
- H. Approval of Change Order Number 1 Cosley Zoo Visitor Center Roof Project – Red Feather Group contract amount increase of \$1,625

Commissioner Mee moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Vires.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Barrett, Kelly, Mee Morrill, Pecharich, Vires, Frey

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2022

Commissioner Vires moved to approve the Issue of approximately \$1,928,159 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2022 from Wheaton Bank and Trust at a rate of 3.59%. Seconded by Commissioner Barrett.

Anthony Miceli from Speer Financial stated that there were five bids that ranged from 3.59% to 4.47%. Commissioner Barrett commented that it was good to see that Wheaton Bank and Trust offered the lowest rate since they are our local bank.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Barrett, Kelly, Mee Morrill, Pecharich, Vires, Frey

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. Ordinance 2022-04

Commissioner Vires move to approve Ordinance 2022-04 An ordinance providing for the issue of approximately \$1,928,159 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2022, for the payment of land condemned of purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District and for the payment of certain outstanding bonds of the District, providing for the levy of taxes to pay said bonds and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof. Seconded by Commissioner Kelly. No discussion

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Barrett, Kelly, Mee Morrill, Pecharich, Vires, Frey

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

3. Resolution 2022-08

Commissioner Vires moved to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Estimate of the Annual Aggregate Levy in Compliance with the Truth in Taxation Law. Seconded by Commissioner Barrett.

Commissioner Mee asked Benard if this resolution locks us into the 3% increase the board discussed at the subcommittee meeting. Benard stated that the final tax levy

ordinance will be before the Park Board for approval at the December 21st Regular Meeting. Mee stated that the board was not unanimous on the 3% tax levy increase, and he was in favor of levying for a 4.9% increase and that it would still be a minimal impact on the residents.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Barrett, Kelly, Mee Morrill, Pecharich, Vires, Frey

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

4. **Arrowhead Golf Course Chemicals 2023**

Commissioner Pecharich moved to approve the Bids for the Vendors, Products and Prices per Staff Recommendations (*see agenda item attached to these minutes*). Seconded by Commissioner Barrett.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Barrett, Kelly, Mee Morrill, Pecharich, Vires, Frey

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

5. **Arrowhead Golf Course 2023 Rates**

Commissioner Mee moved to approve the Following Increases in Golf Rates for the 2023 Season

- Greens Fees - \$1.00 increase for 9-holes and \$2.00 increase for 18-holes excepting the senior resident 9-hole fee which will not be increased
- Cart Rental Fees - \$1.00 increase for 9-holes and \$2.00 increase for 18-holes
- Range Bucket Fees - \$1.00 increase per small bucket and \$2.00 increase per large bucket

No discussion. Seconded by Commissioner Morrill. Motion passed by voice vote.

6. **Community Center Interior Renovation Project**

Commissioner Mee moved to approve the Purchase of 900 KI Chairs through Sourcewell Cooperative Contract in the amount of \$130,215.20. Seconded by Commissioner Barrett. No discussion.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Barrett, Kelly, Mee Morrill, Pecharich, Vires, Frey

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7. **Community Center Interior Renovation Project**

Commissioner Barrett moved to approve Change Order Number 1 - Contract with Effraim Carlson to Increase by \$17,642.82. Seconded by Commissioner Kelly. No discussion. Motion passed by voice vote.

8. Payment for Carnival Services at Cosley Zoo

Commissioner Pecharich moved to approve Payment of \$33,050.25 to J.B.R. Fundways for Carnival Services at Cosley Zoo. Seconded by Commissioner Barrett. No discussion.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Barrett, Kelly, Mee Morrill, Pecharich, Vires, Frey

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Commissioner Morrill asked how the pumpkin revenue compares to last year. Director of Special Facilities Bendy said he did not have that information, but he will follow up. Morrill was pleased with the museum's visitation numbers that increased.

Commissioner Mee commended Director of Parks & Planning Sperl on what a good job his team always does, and that reflected Sperl's leadership. Mee congratulated Director of Athletics & Facilities Novak on the Wheaton United, and Pickleball numbers, Mee said that he continues to get rave reviews on Arrowhead's restaurant and banquet services.

Commissioner Pecharich asked how long we have done gift wrapping at Arrowhead. Director of Special Facilities Bendy said about 8 years. He said that it is a very popular service.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:25 p.m., Commissioner Mee moved to recess the meeting to enter closed session regarding Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1), and pending, probable or imminent litigation, 5ILCS 120/ 2 (c) (11) Commissioner Vires seconded.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Barrett, Kelly, Mee Morrill, Pecharich, Vires, Frey

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

At 6:11 p.m. The board reconvened to open session.

Commissioner Kelly moved to approve the employee health insurance premium contribution of 5% of premium costs for HMO and 15% of premium costs for PPO. Seconded by Commissioner Mee.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Barrett, Kelly, Mee Morrill, Vires, Frey

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

At 6:12 p.m., Commissioner Mee moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Vires seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

