

**Minutes
Bloomingdale Park District
Board of Commissioners Meeting
May 17, 2021
Johnston Recreation Center and Via Zoom Video Conference**

Pledge of Allegiance

The Board and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomingdale Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Burke at 7:01 p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Buzz Puccio, Jerry Marshall, Karen Johns, Mike Vogl, and Andre Burke, and staff members Joe Potts, June Fergus, Josh Hendricks, and Jackie Tithof Steere.

(Commissioners were able to hear and see one another as well as the staff.)

Recognition of Visitors

The Board acknowledged Rosie Reiter and Tammy LoCascio from the Westlake Homeowners Association, who inquired about when the Park District would pave a section of walking path at Westlake Park that has remained unpaved since opposed by some neighbors in the 1970s. Rosie and Tammy believe the project was promised by the Park District during a 2016 meeting around the time of the referendum. They also believe the limestone section poses a challenge for residents using strollers and wheelchairs and becomes a mess part of each year. The paving of the path, they claimed, is no longer opposed by residents. The Board discussed the history of the Westlake walking path and the possibility of surveying the neighborhood and expressed their opinions on the project. Staff will check the status of previous minutes, create potential scenarios, and update the association at an upcoming meeting.

(The visitors left the meeting at 7:35 p.m.)

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Puccio, to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2021, meeting as presented. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye:	Johns, Puccio, Marshall, Vogl, Burke
Nay:	None
Absent:	None

Staff Reports

The Board and staff discussed the updating of the Park District's phone system and the associated balancing out of costs. The topic will be revisited by staff in January.

COVID-19 Meeting Statement

President Andre Burke recited the following statement related to virtual meetings during COVID-19:

This meeting will be conducted by video conference and in-person possibly without a physically present quorum of the Bloomingdale Park District Board of Commissioners because of a disaster declaration related to COVID-19 public health concerns affecting the jurisdiction of the Park District. The President of the Board of Commissioners has determined that an in-person meeting at the JRC with all participants may not be practical or prudent because of the disaster. Commissioners, the Executive Director, staff and chief legal counsel may not all be physically present at the JRC, due to the disaster. Physical public attendance at the JRC may be limited or not feasible, so alternative arrangements for public access to hear the meeting are available here (on Zoom). This meeting is also audio and video recorded and made available to the public, as provided by law. All votes will be by roll call. The public has submitted questions in advance.

New Business

Oath of Office: President Andre Burke

Commissioner Andre Burke was sworn in by Executive Director Joe Potts. Re-elected on April 6, 2021, Commissioner Burke will serve a six-year term on the Bloomingdale Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Puccio moved, seconded by Commissioner Johns, to accept the canvassed results of the election of Andre Burke during the April 6, 2021, Consolidated Election. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Puccio, Johns, Marshall, Vogl, Burke
Nay: None
Absent: None

Approval of FY 2021-2022 Annual Budget

Staff brought to the attention of the Board changes to the draft of the FY 2021-2022 Annual Budget, which was presented during the April 19, 2021, meeting.

Commissioner Marshall moved, seconded by Commissioner Vogl, to approve the FY 2021-2022 Annual Budget. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Marshall, Vogl, Puccio, Johns, Burke
Nay: None
Absent: None

Approval of Change Order for Seasons Four Park Asphalt Project

Commissioner Marshall moved, seconded by Commissioner Puccio, to approve the change order for Seasons Four Park's Asphalt Improvements Project, Sealcoat and Crack Fill, Maneval Construction, \$9,200. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Marshall, Puccio, Johns, Vogl, Burke
Nay: None
Absent: None

Other Items to be Brought Before the Board

Minutes of November 21, 2016

Staff read from the minutes of the November 21, 2016, Board of Commissioners Meeting, referred to by visitors earlier in the evening from the Westlake Homeowners Association. During the November 21, 2016, meeting, the Board stated it would “research the history of the path and consider putting it in the budget discussion (that) year” and did not promise to fund the project as implied by tonight’s visitors.

Recent COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics

Staff updated the Board on the Park District’s COVID-19 vaccination clinics held May 13-14, which included children. The Board directed staff to keep track of the vaccination numbers during the community events.

River Sweep at Springfield Park

The first river sweep in Executive Director Potts’ tenure occurred at Springfield Park and was sponsored by the DuPage Conservation Foundation. The DuPage Daughters of the American Revolution brought a group of six volunteers who, along with a part-time employee, picked up litter and removed invasive species in the vicinity.

Garden Club Plant Sale

The Garden Club’s annual plant sale, held at the Maintenance Shop, profited approximately \$6,000. The club would like to attend an upcoming meeting when all Board Members are present to thank the Board personally.

Vandalism

The Park District experienced some recent vandalism at Circle park, resulting in damage to a portable toilet, which was covered by insurance, and items belonging to the football association, Bloomingdale Athletic Club (BAC). Video footage has been checked by the Police Department and shared by the Village on social media.

Museum Roof Project Update

Contractors have finished the removal and replacement of shingles today.

Seasons Four Park Project Update

Staff is hopeful the asphalt project will be done by the end of the week.

Storage and Office Space Project Update

Sprinkler and HVAC modifications have been made in the conversion of storage to office space. Remaining work includes doors and the drop ceiling.

Acceptance of Financial Reports

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Vogl, to accept the Financial Reports dated April 2021. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Johns, Vogl, Puccio, Marshall, Burke

Nay: None

Absent: None

Approval of Directive to Pay

Commissioner Marshall moved, seconded by Commissioner Puccio, to approve the Directive to Pay dated May 17, 2021. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Marshall, Puccio, Johns, Vogl, Burke
Nay: None
Absent: None

Executive Session

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, to enter into Executive Session at 7:54 p.m. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Johns, Marshall, Puccio, Vogl, Burke
Nay: None
Absent: None

Rise from Executive Session

Commissioner Puccio moved, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, to rise from Executive Session at 8:35 p.m. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Puccio, Marshall, Johns, Vogl, Burke
Nay: None
Absent: None

Regular Meeting, Resumed

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomingdale Park District Board of Commissioners was called back into session by President Burke at 8:35 p.m.

Roll Call

In attendance were Commissioners Karen Johns, Buzz Puccio, Mike Vogl, Jerry Marshall, and Andre Burke and Executive Director Joe Potts.

(The Executive Session was conducted to discuss litigation and to conduct a performance review of the Executive Director.)

Adjournment

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Johns, Marshall, Puccio, Vogl, Burke
Nay: None
Absent: None

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Potts
Board Secretary