

**Minutes  
Bloomingdale Park District  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
January 17, 2022  
Johnston Recreation Center and Via Zoom Video Conference**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

At 7:01 p.m., the Board and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomingdale Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Burke at 7:02 p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Buzz Puccio, Jerry Marshall, Karen Johns, Mike Vogl, and Andre Burke, along with staff members Joe Potts, Jennifer Vale, Sandy Vangundy, Mesha Hadzic, and Jackie Tithof Steere.

**Recognition of Visitors**

There were no visitors in attendance.

**Opening Statement**

President Andre Burke recited the following statement related to meeting virtually 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 any questions in advance to staff.*

**Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Vogl, to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2021, meeting as presented. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

## **Staff Reports**

The Board complimented staff on the efficient conducting of this year's Festival of Lights despite last-minute obstacles and thanked President Burke for kicking off the event from the fire truck's extended platform. The Board inquired about the number of attendees at the event; staff will provide the attendance at a future meeting. The staff is also planning additional attributes to include at next year's Festival of Lights and is working toward fixing any flaws in the organization of the event. Staff addressed intermittent problems with lighting on Circle Park's football field. The Board thanked Executive Director Potts for joining new community organizations such as the Illinois Park and Recreation Association (IPRA) Joint Legislative Committee, a monarch butterfly group, etc.

## **New Business**

### Approval of Ordinance No. 2022-01: Tax Abatement

Passage of this Ordinance is required of the Board.

Commissioner Vogl moved, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, to approve Ordinance No 2022-01: An Ordinance Abating the Tax Heretofore Levied for the Year 2021 to Pay Debt Service on the General Obligation Refunding Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021B, of the Bloomingdale Park District, DuPage County, Illinois. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Vogl, Marshall, Puccio, Johns, Burke

Nay: None

Absent: None

## **Other Items to be Brought Before the Board**

### Review of Draft Policy Complying with IDOL/OSHA COVID-19 Vaccination/Testing Rule

Staff introduced the draft of a policy to be used to comply with the Illinois Department of Labor and Occupational Safety and Health Administration's Vaccination and Testing Rule should it be necessary to comply in the future. It was reiterated that Bloomingdale Park District staff working inside schools follow current school mandates, which require vaccination or weekly testing of staff.

## **Additional Items to be Brought Before the Board**

### TIF Hearing on Stratford Square

Staff attended and reported on a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) meeting about Stratford Square Mall. The Board inquired about the future usage prospects for the Mall. Staff will share with the Board a summary spreadsheet of TIF districts and continue following updates and representing the Park District in future TIF meetings.

### Ice Rink at Circle Park

The rink was opened in early January and is being maintained for the public to use during the winter season.

### 2022 IAPD/IPRA Conference

Details were discussed for the upcoming 2022 IAPD/IPRA Soaring to New Heights Conference January 27-29 in Chicago. Reviewed were hotel and conference registration cancellations, individual days of attendance, luncheon attendance of legislators (Senator Tom Cullerton and Representative Deb Conroy), luncheon table spacing, BPD attire and masks, the Chairman's reception, and the schedule of events and its absence of a Board/staff dinner and vendor invitations.

### **Acceptance of Financial Reports**

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Vogl, to accept the Financial Reports dated December 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 January 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 Vogl, to not enter into Executive Session. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

### **Adjournment**

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Puccio, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:42 p.m. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Potts  
Board Secretary