

**Minutes
Bloomingdale Park District
Board of Commissioners Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
July 18, 2022
Johnston Recreation Center**

Call to Order – Public Hearing

2022 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance Public Hearing

Called to order at 7:02 p.m. was the public hearing for the 2022 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance, Ordinance No. 2022-02: The Combined Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of the Bloomingdale Park District, DuPage County, Illinois, for its Fiscal Year June 1, 2022, Through May 31, 2023.

Roll Call

Upon roll call, those present were Commissioners Buzz Puccio, Jerry Marshall, Gerace Olson, Mike Vogl, and Andre Burke and staff members Joe Potts, Jennifer Vale, Sandy Vangundy, Lonna Converso, Mesha Hadzic, Mark Goode, and Jackie Tithof Steere.

Adjourn Public Hearing

There being no comments from the floor, Commissioner Puccio moved, seconded by Commissioner Vogl, to close the Public Hearing at 7:03 p.m. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0:

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

Call to Order – Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomingdale Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Burke. In attendance were Commissioners Buzz Puccio, Jerry Marshall, Gerace Olson, and Mike Vogl, and staff members Joe Potts, Sandy Vangundy, Jennifer Vale, Lonna Converso, Mesha Hadzic, Mark Goode, and Jackie Tithof Steere.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Board and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Visitors

Visitors present included Nicole (Ginger) and Justin Eirich, who were present for the Board's recognition of Nicole's years of service to the Park District. Former Commissioners Lori (Noonan) Vogl and Karen Johns and former Parks Foundation Member Ann Nebel were present in support of Commissioner Vogl's final meeting and retirement.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Olson moved, seconded by Commissioner Puccio, to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2022, meeting as presented. On roll call vote the motion was approved 4-0 with Commissioner Vogl abstaining.

Aye: Olson, Puccio, Marshall, Burke
Nay: None
Absent: None

Commissioner Vogl moved, seconded by Commissioner Puccio to move up on the agenda Item 11A. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Other Items to be Brought Before the Board

Five-Year BPD Anniversary of Nicole Ginger Eirich

The Board and staff acknowledged the five-year, full-time work anniversary of Nicole Ginger Eirich, who began her employment initially as an intern. Over the course of her time at the Park District, Nicole has filled in for co-workers on maternity leave, etc., which allowed her to gain experience in recreational areas outside her normal responsibilities. Nicole currently handles Summer Camp, Kids' Place, and Preschool as well as some special events and concerts and is doing an excellent job. It is expected she will keep up the good work and continue to do good things for the District.

(Nicole <Ginger> and Justin Eirich left the meeting at 7:10 p.m.)

(At this point, the Board resumed the normal order of the agenda.)

Staff Reports

There were no comments from the Board.

New Business

Approval of Ordinance No. 2022-02: B&A

Following the public hearing for the 2022 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance at the outset of the meeting, during which no member of the public provided feedback, and reviewing the draft version at the prior month's Board Meeting, Commissioners had no additional comments.

Commissioner Marshall moved, seconded by Commissioner Vogl, to approve Ordinance No. 2022-02: The Combined Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of the Bloomingdale Park District, DuPage County, Illinois, for its Fiscal Year June 1, 2022, Through May 31, 2023. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Approval of Resolution 2022-06 Financial Policy Updates

Staff apprised the Board on several updates to the District's Financial Policy, including a bid level increase of the Executive Director from \$25,000 to \$30,000, per state statute, and a change in the procedure for safeguarding computer-related passwords. Invoices that cannot wait for approval at the monthly Board Meeting will be completed on a weekly basis, previously processed on a bi-weekly basis. The payroll check distribution has also been changed from mailing live checks to staff to checks remaining at the front desk for signature upon pick-up.

Commissioner Olson moved, seconded by Commissioner Puccio, to approve Resolution 2022-06: A Resolution Adopting Updates to Financial Guidelines, Procedures, and Policies. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Discussion of Stratford Park Redevelopment Partially Funded by OSLAD Grant

A discussion was held on the status of the District's approved OSLAD grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR). Staff shared as reminders the project timeline, plans for Springfield Park, and potential product descriptions. The District awaits next steps from IDNR. Wight and Co. has provided a proposal for their costs - design, bid specs, the bid and construction processes. Staff will continue to cooperate with School District 93 as the project serves both agencies. Due to public feedback, basketball courts were relocated from a residential area to the school building area. The Board will be updated as more information becomes available.

The Retirement of Commissioner Mike Vogl

The Board added Item 10D to the agenda. The Board, staff and visitors expressed appreciation for Commissioner Vogl's service to the Bloomingdale Park District and its residents. Commissioner Vogl was believed to have grown the BPD name at a state and national level, worked well with legislators, elevated the Park District to astronomical levels, and been critical in the Park District receiving its recent OSLAD grant. Other enthusiastic Board Members were encouraged to follow in Commissioner Vogl's footsteps and get involved in the Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD).

Other Items to be Brought Before the Board, Continued

Discussion of the 2022 NRPA Conference

The Board and Staff discussed interest and value in attending the 2022 National Recreation and Park Association Conference, September 20-22, 2022, in Phoenix. Many Commissioners believe the state conference (IAPD/IPRA) to be of more benefit to elected officials than the national conference. Those interested in attending will notify Executive Director Potts by the early bird deadline in early August.

(Lori Vogl and Ann Nebel left the meeting at 7:28 p.m.)

Additional Items for the Board

Programs, Events, Parks and Facilities

Executive Director Potts thanked those who attended the annual Pooch Parade – participants had a good time and the weather cooperated – and the charcuterie board class. Seven Rotary tickets for a fundraiser at Pollyanna Brewing Co. are available. Proceeds from the August 28 event go toward providing clean water. The recreation team has been hard at work at the pool, camp, etc., ensuring good times for the public. The parks team has been supportive of all events while still maintaining parks during rain and drought seasons. The Museum has opened a new exhibit, “Fashion and Footwear.”

Marketing Department Updates

BPD’s marketing assistant, Paulina Piatek, is moving on to full-time employment following her graduation from a master’s degree program. Paulina has been a big help to the District. All photographs of staff and the Board have been taken. Lonna Converso and volunteer Tae Moon did a great job. Photos will be added to the website and the next brochure.

Mayor’s Proclamation and Service Awards for Commissioner Vogl

For his service to Bloomingdale residents, Commissioner Vogl was presented with a Proclamation from Bloomingdale Mayor Franco Coladipietro. In addition, the Park District will plant a tree and place a bench in locations of his choosing. Commissioner Vogl shared the history of how he came to serve on the Board. As he was stepping down as president of the board of the baseball/softball group now known as the Bloomingdale Baseball and Softball Association (BBSA), he was approached by a Park Board Commissioner about filling a vacancy on their Board, and in 1988 he was appointed to the BPD Board of Commissioners.

Fellow Board Members and staff shared memories and kind words for Commissioner Vogl – he is tireless, inspirational, a mentor, capable of everything. He and his sense of humor, wisdom, advocacy and support for staff, curiosity, steady demeanor, stamina, stewardship, and inherent goodness will be missed as he retires to Wisconsin.

Acceptance of Financial Reports

Commissioner Vogl moved, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to accept the Financial Reports dated June 2022. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Approval of Directive to Pay

Commissioner Marshall moved, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to approve the Directive to Pay dated July 18, 2022. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Executive Session

Commissioner Vogl moved, by Commissioner Puccio, to enter into Executive Session at 7:58 p.m. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Staff members not attending the Executive Session were dismissed at 7:58 p.m.

Rise from Executive Session

Commissioner Vogl moved, seconded by Commissioner Puccio, to rise from Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Vogl, Puccio, Marshall, Olson, 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 8:31p.m.

Roll Call

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

The Executive Session was conducted to conduct a performance review of the Executive Director under (5 ILCS, Par. 120/2(c)(1)) Personnel.

Adjournment

Commissioner Olson moved, seconded by Commissioner Puccio, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:32 p.m. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Potts
Board Secretary