



DUNDEE TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The February 7, 2024 meeting of the Dundee Township Park District Board of Commissioners was held at the Rakow Center Adult Activities Center. President Frank Scarpelli called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Commissioners responding to roll call were Treasurer Jim Bonkoski, Secretary John Meschewski and Commissioner Pam Griffin. Erin O’Leary was absent.

Citizens to be Heard

Resident Mike Tennis approached the board and reviewed the proposed West Dundee Lennar development located directly east of the Dundee Middle School. He informed the board that he does not agree with the use of developer fees for the proposed intent.

Wall That Heals – True Patriots Care, Jerry Christopherson played a summary video of the activities from the 2019 event that took place at our Randall Oaks Park. He shared the positive impact the event had on individuals and the community and asked for the use of the park again in 2024. He went through the daily activities beginning on May 22 with the escort of the Wall to the park to the Memorial Day (May 27) Closing Ceremony.

A motion to authorize the use of Randall Oaks Park from May 21 – 30 for the Wall That Heals event was made by Jim Bonkoski with a second by John Meschewski. The motion passed 4-0.

Staff Reports

Program Updates – Tammy Greco, Superintendent of Recreation, Superintendent Greco reviewed with the board program trends and metrics of all recreation programs and aquatics. She highlighted each of her six supervisor’s roles and the new programs created by them (summer youth basketball league, pickleball, theater growth, etc.).

Consent Agenda

A. *Approval of Items to be considered for Consent Agenda – John Meschewski made a motion with a second by Pam Griffin to approve the Items to be considered for the Consent Agenda. The motion passed 4-0. This includes:*

- I. *January 17, 2024 - Regular Board Meeting Minutes*
- II. *Accounts Payable Check Register Dated – February 7, 2024*
- III. *Bi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes from the period July 2023 through December 2023 and the Destruction of Verbatim Audio Recordings from the period January 2022 through June 2022.*

President Scarpelli pointed out the January 17 meetings minutes had been revised to reflect a PowerPoint attached and the location of the February 7 meeting changing.

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- B. Approval of Consent Agenda – Jim Bonkoski made a motion with a second by John Meschewski to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed 4-0.*

Director's Report

- A. Ride in Kane Update and Request - Peterson provided background to the transportation program which began with the Dundee Township Park District administering and providing bus drivers to transport seniors for doctors and general errands purposes. Eventually, the District's risk managers indicated that the insurance coverage for this type of service would not be covered and furthermore, it was not the mission of the Park District to provide this type of service. There was a one-year IGA in 2007 that disclosed contributions from the Park District and other municipalities while the Dundee Township took over the administration from the Park District. Eventually, contributions ended and the Dundee Township took over the administration and partnered with Pace for the transportation.

Dundee Township sent out a letter to local municipalities, looking for support as the program has become cost prohibitive.

- B. Village of West Dundee Proposed Development – East of Dundee Middle School – Peterson referred to the letter in the board packet from West Dundee Village Manager, Joe Cavallaro, regarding a proposed Lennar development east of Dundee Middle School. The 92-unit, 3-bedroom townhomes would enter/exit onto a constructed public roadway that would run north from Rte. 72 up to the baseball field complex and then eastward to Recreation Drive. Currently the Park District owns the driveway from the gates at the end of Recreation Drive westward along the ball fields and southward down toward Dundee Middle School.

Cavallaro is proposing to enter into an IGA with Community School District 300, the Park District and the Village of West Dundee that would include using the impact fees from each government entity to construct a public roadway from the Recreation Drive gate all the way west past the ballfields and south to Rte. 72. Also included in the proposed IGA is consideration of the Park District conveying or providing an easement on their existing driveway that runs along the ball fields and down to Dundee Middle School. Peterson was looking for consensus from the board on two items to report back to Village Manager Cavallaro: impact fee usage toward a public roadway construction and easement/conveyance of the Park District's existing driveway.

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Driveway Conveyance/Easement – In the spirit of cooperation, the board is interested in either conveying with deed restrictions or an easement of the existing driveway owned by the Park District. Director Peterson has been asked to work with Ancel Glink attorney, Scott Puma, on what would be in the best interest of the agency.

Impact Fees/Developer Fees – The board did not support using the Park District impact fees to be used toward the construction of a public roadway that would run along the baseball fields and south toward Rte. 72.

- C. IAPD OSLAD Grant Announcement – Peterson announced that there was \$54 million awarded this year. Discussion ensued regarding the matching part of the program and the challenges it presents with capital plans needing attention.
- D. Woodland School Transfer Update – Peterson shared with the board that the HUD process is still preventing the transfer of the school from the Park District to the BGCDDT. The Village of Carpentersville and BGCDDT are hopeful that the HUD requirements are almost complete, and that the property can be transferred.
- E. 2023 Golf Report Update – Peterson provided a 19-year history of golf rounds of play at each course and emphasized the last four years and the large uptick.
- F. Full-time Employee Recognition and Appreciation Luncheon on February 9 - The Board was invited to Friday's Employee Recognition Luncheon where there will be service year and first year recognitions.
- G. Director - Out of Office – February 20 – 25 – Peterson will be out of the office and Deputy Director Ross Bertone will present agenda items at the February 21 board meeting.
- H. Frozen Oaks 5K – Peterson informed the board that there are 144 registered for Saturday's race to take place at the Randall Oaks Golf Course. More are anticipated to sign up on the day of the race.

President's Report

None

Old Business

None

New Business

None

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Adjournment

John Meschewski made a motion with a second by Jim Bonkoski to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Note: The next board meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2024, at the Randall Oaks Recreation Center.