

**DIXON PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
804 PALMYRA STREET DIXON, ILLINOIS
OCTOBER 21, 2020**

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. President Ron Pritchard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Roll Call: President Ron Pritchard - present
Vice President - Shane Miller - present
Commissioner - Rodney Frey - present
Commissioner and Board Secretary - Keith Aurand - present
Staff Present: Duane Long - Executive Director present
Teresa Smith - Administrative Assistant present
Tyler Hodapp – Maintenance Department Director

II. CORRESPONDENCE

A card of appreciation was received from Dixon Main Street and Chamber expressing gratitude for the use of the parks for the Music in the Parks series throughout the summer.

III. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Agenda item VII was discussed immediately after item II.

IV. VISITORS - Sign in sheet is on file.

- A. Long introduced Tyler Hodapp as the new Maintenance Department Director for the Dixon Park District. Hodapp indicated he is pleased to be part of the Dixon Park District and is looking forward to working with all the staff and the Park Board Commissioners.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance #606 - An Ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) of the District in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$400,000 to refund certain outstanding obligations of the District and to pay expenses incident thereto.

The President called the meeting to order and directed the Secretary to call the roll. Upon the roll being called, Ron Pritchard, the President, and the following Park Commissioners were physically present at said location: Miller, Frey, and Aurand.

The following Park Commissioners were allowed by a majority of the members of the Board of Park Commissioners in accordance with and to the extent allowed by rules adopted by the Board of Park Commissioners to attend the meeting by video or audio conference: NONE

No Park Commissioner was not permitted to attend the meeting by video or audio conference.

The following Park Commissioners were absent and did not participate in the meeting in any manner or to any extent whatsoever: NONE

The President announced that the Board of Park Commissioners next would consider the adoption of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of general obligation alternate bonds and directing the publication of a notice setting forth the determination of the

Board of Park Commissioners to issue such bonds to refund certain outstanding obligations of the District and pay the expenses incident thereto.

Whereupon Park Commissioner Rodney Frey presented and Secretary Aurand read by title an ordinance as follows, a copy of which was provided to each Park Commissioner prior to said meeting and to everyone in attendance at said meeting who requested a copy:

Park Commissioner Frey moved and Park Commissioner Aurand seconded the motion that said ordinance as presented and read by title by the Secretary be adopted. After a full and complete discussion thereof, the President directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion to adopt the ordinance as read.

Upon the roll being called, the following Park Commissioners voted AYE: Miller, Frey, Aurand, and Pritchard and the following Park Commissioners voted NAY: NONE

Whereupon the President declared the motion carried and the ordinance adopted, and henceforth did approve and sign the same in open meeting and did direct the Secretary to record the same in full in the records of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Dixon Park District, Lee County, Illinois, which was done. Other business not pertinent to the adoption of said ordinance was duly transacted at said meeting.

Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners

- B. Release of Executive Session Minutes for Public Access
Commissioner Miller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Aurand, to approve the release of Executive Session minutes for July 15, 2020 to the public.
Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, and Aurand - yes; motion carried.

VI. BOARD MINUTES

- A. Commissioner Frey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Aurand, to approve the September 16, 2020 regular session minutes of the Board changing the word "Commissions" to "Commissioners" in section III and changing the word "state" to "skate in section V. B and approving the Sept 21, 2020 special Board meeting minutes as presented.
Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, and Aurand - yes; motion carried.

VII. FINANCIAL REPORTS - Review/Amend/Accept

- A. Discussion on the September financial documents occurred with Commissioner Miller requesting additional information on differences noted on the balance sheet from August to September noting the difference between the distributions and income do not match the change in total equity on the balance sheet. Treasurer Crystal Killian will be contacted to respond to the request for additional information so that it can be presented for approval at the November meeting.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Commissioners

1. President R. Pritchard – The sidewalk recently installed between Wooden Wonderland and Water Wonderland looks very nice.
2. Commissioner Miller – Expressed an apology to the Board for not coming to the Special Board Meeting on Sept 21. Kudos to the staff on the installation of the new bag board at Lowell Park. It looks very nice. Also kudos for completion of the concrete pads for disc golf at Lowell Park and the zip line. These items are being used frequently.
3. Commissioner Frey - Expressed kudos to Amy for the great live videos on Facebook and for all the staff that was present at the disc golf open house at Page Park. Frey questioned if the trench by the ice warming house can be filled in.
4. Commissioner Aurand - Gratitude was expressed for the quick completion of the parking lot at Lowell Park and for trimming the trees along the river to improve the view. Aurand questioned if the bank in Page Park between the barn and the basketball court can be mowed in future years. Aurand questioned if call boxes can be installed along the bike bath with Long indicating this is part of the Trails grant application if the money is awarded.
Discussion on the Stengel Trail from Penrose Road to Woosung and the potential to get a right-of-way to make the trail continuous.

B. Executive Director

The Board reviewed Long's report as printed.

Long indicated he has been investigating the potential for installing an inclusion playground at John Dixon Park. This would require a rubber coating as ground cover which would cost about \$30,000 with grant money available.

Long is also investigating the potential to have mountain bike trials in Lowell Park and is currently working with Tim Grosnick on this project.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. None

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

XI. ADJOURN

At 7:10 p.m. Commissioner Miller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Aurand, to adjourn.

Vote by roll call: R. Pritchard - yes, Miller - yes, Frey - yes, and Aurand - yes; motion carried.

Signatures: _____ Date: _____
Ron Pritchard

_____ Date: _____
Rodney Frey

_____ Date: _____
Shane Miller

_____ Date: _____
Keith Aurand