



**Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 12, 2021
7:00pm**

Call to Order	Commissioner Gramann called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance	Present: Commissioners Gramann, Bird, DelPreto, Jeffery and Sokolowski. Commissioner Jaszka arrived at 7:02. Commissioner Powers arrived at 7:14. Staff: Executive Director Reuter, Directors Bachewicz, Hamilton, Rini, Superintendents Scumaci and Quinn and Executive Assistant Greninger.
Public Hearing	<p>President Gramann announced that the next agenda item for the Board of Park Commissioners was a public hearing (the "Hearing") to receive public comments on the proposal to sell not to exceed \$4,400,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds (the "Bonds") for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, and explained that all persons desiring to be heard would have an opportunity to present written or oral testimony with respect thereto.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Gramann asked for oral testimony concerning the proposed issuance of Bonds. There were none. • President Gramann asked for written testimony concerning the proposed issuance of Bonds to be read into the record by the Secretary. There were none. • President Gramann asked for additional comments from the Park Commissioners. There were none. <p>President Gramann announced that all persons desiring to be heard have been given an opportunity to present oral and written testimony with respect to the proposed issuance of the Bonds. There being no comments, President Gramann called for a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing.</p> <p>Commissioner Sokolowski made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Seconded by Commissioner Bird.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Del Preto: Aye Commissioner Jaszka: Aye Commissioner Jeffery: Aye Commissioner Bird: Aye Commissioner Gramann: Aye Commissioner Powers: Absent Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried and the Public Hearing was adjourned.</p>
Listening Post	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stephanie Merkel, who lives by Tokarski Park, addressed the Board with concerns

	<p>about trash cans that were removed. She noted people often come to the park to eat and others stop by the park to dispose of pet waste. Without a trash can at the park, often times the trash will be left in the park. Commissioner Gramann explained that we are trying something new, pack it in and pack it out, to reduce time staff spends on garbage pickup. We are open to ideas and suggestions. Executive Director Reuter said there is a marketing campaign prepared to help people understand the reasoning for this pilot program. We will evaluate and keep her informed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Creighton, President of Carol Stream Parks Foundation updated the Board with the date of the annual Duck Race. It will take place on July 24 at Coyote Crossing Mini Golf. The Bike Club will have their first ride on May 13. We are hoping the bike repair station will be installed at Simkus by then. • Director Bachewicz introduced Ryan Mroz, a student from Aurora University who has interned with us since February. Ryan is graduating in May with a Bachelor's Degree in Recreation Management. 								
<p>Consent Agenda</p>	<p>Commissioner Sokolowski made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Jaszka.</p> <p>A. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes: March 8, 2021 B. Ratify March 2021 Bills</p> <p>All in favor. Motion Passes.</p> <p>Commissioner Jaszka made a motion to approve the consent agenda as revised. Seconded by Commissioner Jeffery.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Commissioner Del Preto: Aye</td> <td>Commissioner Gramann: Aye</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commissioner Jaszka: Aye</td> <td>Commissioner Powers: Aye</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commissioner Jeffery: Aye</td> <td>Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commissioner Bird: Aye</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>Motion Passes 7-0-0</p>	Commissioner Del Preto: Aye	Commissioner Gramann: Aye	Commissioner Jaszka: Aye	Commissioner Powers: Aye	Commissioner Jeffery: Aye	Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye	Commissioner Bird: Aye	
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<p>Discussion Items</p>	<p>A. Weekly Happenings (oral)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The entire Board expressed their appreciation for the vaccination event that took place on March 30. Executive Director Reuter said we have the best special events coordinator and COVID ambassador. Commissioner Gramann said we were very instrumental in making the event possible. Commissioner Jeffery noted people are happier and less fearful. • Commissioner Bird asked about the restroom that is being converted to a storage space at Coyote Crossing Mini Golf. Director Bachewicz explained that other than to use a washroom, customers no longer enter the building. All services are conducted through the concession/sales windows. The more pressing need is for storage for special events held at Coyote Crossing, and concessions. The remaining restroom has been changed to a family restroom 								

	<p>with a changing table.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Sokolowski asked about the coyote situation at the Bark Park that happened at night last week. Executive Director Reuter spoke with the woman who lost her dog and Senior Leadership is discussing possible solutions. • Commissioner Sokolowski asked about the trash cans in the parks. Executive Director Reuter reminded the Board that staffing levels are down by 25% so we have to come up with creative ideas to cut the work load. We want to try this pilot program as the parks staff gets busier with the increased duties in the spring. • Commissioner Sokolowski asked about opening Coral Cove Water Park. Executive Director Reuter reminded the Board the pool did not open last year. The pool will be filled with water to test the pump and filter systems. We will complete the pool analysis before the pool opens to the public in May. • Commissioner Sokolowski said kudos to staff for getting the Armstrong Park Parking Lot grant and the Mitchell Lakes Pathway grant. Executive Director Reuter emphasized we had a great team prepare the applications and the District received accolades for the grant applications submitted. We will keep trying for more grants. • Executive Director Reuter congratulated Commissioners Sokolowski and Del Preto on their reelection. Commissioner Gramann said she had other plans for the next four years, but those plans have changed now. She would be honored to sit on the Board for another two years but encouraged the Board to decide if they want to conduct candidate interviews and select someone new for the open position.
<p>Action Items</p>	<p>A. Ordinance No. 551 for the Sale of Property The Elk Trail Recreation Center has successfully housed our preschool program for 14 years; however the COVID pandemic has forced the District to review operational plans and seek opportunities to reduce overhead costs. The preschool program was moved to Simkus Recreation Center to accomplish that goal and also improve the program by promoting more interaction with instructors, parents and students. The Elk Trail Recreation Center is no longer needed. Commissioner Powers made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 551 for the sale of property commonly known as Elk Trail Recreation Center, 160 Elk Trail, in accordance with the Park Commissioners Land Sale Act (70 ILCS 1235), and authorize Park District Staff and Legal Counsel to take necessary steps to consummate the transaction. Seconded by Commissioner Del Preto.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Del Preto: Aye Commissioner Jaszka: Aye Commissioner Jeffery: Aye Commissioner Bird: Aye Motion Passes 7-0-0</p> <p>Commissioner Gramann: Aye Commissioner Powers: Aye Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye</p>

B. Petition to Disconnect Territory from the Wheaton Park District

The Carol Stream Park District acquired 17.69 acres of land within Community Park from the Village of Carol Stream last year, allowing the district to make improvements and address recreational needs of an underserved area of the community. However, there is a portion of Community Park within Wheaton Park District boundaries. Wheaton Park District has agreed to disconnect the parcels from their boundaries so Carol Stream Park District may annex the parcels into our boundaries. Commissioner Sokolowski asked what the next steps are. Director Rini said we send the Petition to Wheaton Park District for their Board to approve an Ordinance to Disconnect. Then our Board will approve an Annexation Ordinance. Commissioner Jaszka made a motion to approve Resolution 21-01 Petitioning for the Disconnection of Territory from the Wheaton Park District as part of the process to adjust boundary lines associated with the recent acquisition and ownership of said parcels of Community Park into the Carol Stream Park District. Seconded by Commissioner Bird.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Del Preto: Aye

Commissioner Gramann: Aye

Commissioner Jaszka: Aye

Commissioner Powers: Aye

Commissioner Jeffery: Aye

Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye

Commissioner Bird: Aye

Motion Passes 7-0-0

C. Mowing Contract Extension

The current contract with Beary Landscape Management continues through this year, but there is an option to extend the contract without a change in price for two additional mowing seasons. Commissioner Bird made a motion to approve a two year contract extension with Beary Landscape Management, Lockport, IL, through November 2023. Seconded by Commissioner Del Preto. Voice Vote. All in favor 7-0-0. Motion passes.

D. Electric Contract

Our contract with MP2 Energy is due to expire in October 2021. Because electric is a commodity, prices change rapidly and can only be locked in for a short period of time. We would like to the ability to lock in the rates when they are low to maintain or lower our electric bills over the next contract term. Commissioner Power made a motion authorizing the Executive Director to sign an electric contract not to exceed our current rate of 0.057180 kWh. Seconded by Commissioner Bird. Voice Vote. All in favor 7-0-0. Motion passes.


**E. Clean Water Grant – IGA Between County of DuPage and Carol Stream Park District
Armstrong Park North Parking Lot Permeable Paver Project**

We are excited to announce that the District has been selected for the DuPage County Storm Water Management Grant in the amount of \$40,395.67. The District



	<p>must enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with DuPage County for the reconstruction of the North parking lot at Armstrong Park. Commissioner Jeffery made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of DuPage and the Carol Stream Park District for the Armstrong Park North Parking Lot Permeable Paver Project in the amount \$40,395.67. Seconded by Commissioner Sokolowski.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Del Preto: Aye Commissioner Jaszka: Aye Commissioner Jeffery: Aye Commissioner Bird: Aye Motion Passes 7-0-0</p> <p>Commissioner Gramann: Aye Commissioner Powers: Aye Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye</p>
Closed Session	None
Action Pertaining to Closed Session	None
Adjournment	Commissioner Powers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Del Preto. Voice Vote taken. Motion passed 7-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.


 President
 Brenda Gramann


 Secretary
 Jim Reuter

April 26, 2021
 Date