

Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting December 9, 2024 6:00pm

Call to Order	Commissioner Jeffery called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.	
Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance	Present: Commissioners Jeffery, Gramann, Bird, Parisi, Powers, Sokolowski, and Witteck. Staff: Executive Director Rini, Directors Bachewicz, Hamilton, Quinn, and Scumaci, Superintendent Adamson, and Executive Assistant Greninger.	
Listening Post	Donna Freeman with the Carol Stream Parks Foundation provided an update, saying the tree lighting event was very busy. They gave out all their hot chocolate, marshmallows, and candy canes. The next Bike Fix-It station will be installed in the spring at Memorial Park on Thunderbird and will be dedicated to former member Dave Creighton who passed away last year. The Bus Fundraising campaign has received a few donations already, and the new brochures were received and available for distribution.	
Changes to the Agenda	Remove WDSRA Director Dan Leahy from the agenda. He will provide the update next month.	
Consent Agenda	Commissioner Powers requested item E be moved to Action Item 7D. Commissioner Powers made a motion to accept the consent agenda as revised. Seconded by Commissioner Gramann. A. Approval: Regular Minutes: November 12, 2024 B. Approval: Finance Committee Minutes: December 2, 2024 C. Ratify: November 2024 Bills D. Approval: Affiliate Agreement with Carol Stream Travel Softball and Baseball Association E. Approval: Affiliate Agreement with Carol Stream Youth Football Association Voice Vote. All in favor. None opposed. Motion Passes. Commissioner Bird made a motion to approve the consent agenda as revised. Seconded by Commissioner Witteck. Roll Call Vote:	
	Commissioner Bird: Aye Commissioner Gramann: Aye Commissioner Jeffery: Aye Commissioner Parisi: Aye Motion Passes 7-0-0	Commissioner Powers: Aye Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye Commissioner Witteck: Aye
Discussion Items	A. Weekly Happenings (oral)	



- Commissioner Gramann enjoyed the trip to the North Pole on the Polar Express this past Sunday. The children were in awe.
- Commissioner Sokolowski attended the Holiday Tree Lighting, arriving toward the end of the program. He said it was well done and commended staff, as well as the Foundation, Village, and Library.
- Commissioner Sokolowski brought up the story in the <u>Parks & Recreation</u>
 <u>Magazine</u> titled *Top Trends in Parks and Recreation 2025*. Swimming and
 Aquatics will continue to trend in 2025, as well as Short Mat Bowling, Walking Soccer, and Therapeutic Recreation Programs.
- Commissioner Bird brought up the report of vandalism at Evergreen Lakes again, with damages estimated to be \$14,000. Director Hamilton said the District has re-seeded several times, but one resident keeps on cutting back the growth; not just by his yard, but in other areas around the lake. Commissioner Jeffery suggested we put up a fence. Commissioner Gramann said we should issue a press release. Commissioner Sokolowski said someone must be seeing this. Executive Director Rini said we are also considering asking for a reward for anyone providing tangible evidence. The District will be filing a claim; that will initiate PDRMA to seek restitution from the offender. We will be consulting with PDRMA attorneys for a letter to residents, possible reward, and other suggestions.

Action Items

A. Approval: Ordinance No. 582 Levying and Assessing Taxes for the Year 2024 By State Statute, the Board of Commissioners needs to file an annual ordinance with the County in order to levy taxes for the following year.

Commissioner Sokolowski made make a motion to approve Ordinance No. 582 levying and assessing taxes for the year 2024, to be collected in the year 2025, and to certify that the District levied an amount of ad valorem tax that is less than 105% of the final aggregate levy extension of the preceding year, complied with the publication and hearing provisions needed per section 6 or 7 of the Act, and that the staff be allowed to make the adjustments to that potential reduction in the same vein. Seconded by Commissioner Bird.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Bird: Aye
Commissioner Gramann: Aye
Commissioner Jeffery: Aye
Commissioner Parisi: Aye
Motion Passes 7-0-0

Commissioner Powers: Aye Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye Commissioner Witteck: Aye

B. Approval: Resolution 24-06 Authorizing Transfer of Funds - Operating to Capital With fund balances now at targeted amounts, the district will transfer available unrestricted net earnings into the Capital Fund. This allows the District to make the majority of major repairs by using operational reserves rather than issuing



bonds (debt). The exact amount will be determined at the end of December. Commissioner Powers is pleased we have finally reached this goal.

Commissioner Witteck made a motion to approve Resolution No. 24-06, authorizing the Treasurer of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Carol Stream Park District, DuPage County, Illinois, to transfer operating funds over target balances from the Corporate Fund, up to \$250,000, and from the Recreation Fund, up to \$500,000, of said Park District to the Capital Improvements Fund of said Park District. Seconded by Commissioner Parisi.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Bird: Aye
Commissioner Gramann: Aye
Commissioner Jeffery: Aye
Commissioner Parisi: Aye
Motion Passes 7-0-0

Commissioner Powers: Aye Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye Commissioner Witteck: Aye

C. Approval: Simkus Recreation Center Gym Floor Repair
The Gymnasium floor has buckled in various spots and is in need of repair. We are moving on this now to fix it before basketball season.
Commissioner Gramann made a motion to approve a contract to repair the Simkus Recreation Center's hardwood gymnasium floor with Consolidated Flooring, Addison, IL for \$63,605. Seconded by Commissioner Bird.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Bird: Aye
Commissioner Gramann: Aye
Commissioner Jeffery: Aye
Commissioner Parisi: Aye
Motion Passes 7-0-0

Commissioner Powers: Aye Commissioner Sokolowski: Aye Commissioner Witteck: Aye

D. Approval: Affiliate Agreement with Carol Stream Youth Football Association Commissioner Powers requested this item be removed from the Consent Agenda due to some concerns about the contract. One concern is to have all spectators sit on the Home side of bleachers. Director Bachewicz explained that Assistant Principal Bowser made that request. The contract states music during half-time is to be played on a low volume but they always play it too loud. The announcer still yells into the microphone. In his opinion, the contract is unenforceable and suggested a personal guarantee. Several Commissioners said no one would agree to that. Executive Director Rini said the Affiliate Agreement is a PDRMA approved template that is reviewed annually, and is updated with new dates and fees annually.

Commissioner Gramann made a motion to approve an affiliate agreement with the Carol Stream Youth Football Association (CSYFA) for 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Powers. Voice Vote. All in favor. None opposed. Motion Passes.



Closed Session	Motion by Commissioner Witteck to enter into closed session at 6:36pm to discuss Section 2(c)(21) Biannual Review of Closed Session Minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Sokolowski. Arose from closed session at 6:38 pm.	
Action Pertaining to Closed Session	Commissioner Powers made a motion to release closed session meeting minutes as discussed in closed session. Seconded by Commissioner Bird. Voice Vote. Motion Passes 7-0-0.	
Adjournment	Commissioner Powers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Witteck. Voice Vote taken. Motion passed 7-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:39pm.	

President

Jacqueline Jeffery

Secretary Sue Rini

January 13, 2025

Date