

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OAK LAWN PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
HELD ON OCTOBER 16, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners of the Oak Lawn Park District was convened in a Regular Meeting on October 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. with President Johnson presiding.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Donahue, Mottl, Stalker, and Johnson

Absent: Buschbach

A quorum was present.

**PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE OAK LAWN PARK DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, TO SELL \$2,450,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX PARK BONDS:**

President Johnson opened the Public Hearing and asked if anyone had any questions or would like to speak. Upon hearing no comments, Donahue motioned to close the Public Hearing, Stalker seconded.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Finance Meeting of September 11, 2023**

Donahue moved, Stalker seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

**Regular Meeting of September 11, 2023**

Stalker moved, Mottl seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD/CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Volunteers of the Month – Manal Kanaan and St. Xavier Students**

For the month of September, we have nominated the St. Xavier Freshman Students and their coordinator Manal Kanaan as Volunteer of the Month. On August 18th, Manal helped coordinate about 50 Freshman students from St. Xavier University. This group helped with clean-up and harvesting at the Community Garden as well as trash pick-up all around Wolfe Wildlife Park. This was the students' "day of service" as they began the new school year. This group was just one of many that were out at various organizations on this day helping the community. We appreciate that St. Xavier thought to include us in their "Day of Service".

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**FINANCE REPORT:**

Mottl moved, Stalker seconded to approve the payables of \$ 749,585.55 for the period of September 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Lawn Manor Park Bid**

Donahue moved, Stalker seconded to remove from the table.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

Mottl moved, Stalker seconded to approve the Lawn Manor Pickleball Court project bid to the lowest bidder Matthew Paving in the amount of \$249,270.00 as recommended by staff.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Surplus Property**

Staff are seeking to dispose of the following items:

- 2004 Zamboni 540 Gasoline powered ice resurfacer
- 1987 Stadium Unlimited Portable Stage Trailer

Donahue moved, Stalker seconded to approve the surplus property.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

**LEGAL:** None

**APPROVAL OF BIDS OVER \$30,000:**

**Centennial Park Renovations**

Mottl moved, Stalker seconded to approve the Centennial Park Renovation bid award to the lowest bidder Innovation Landscape in the amount of \$803,492.00 as recommended by Upland Design and staff.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

**MATTERS OF THE DIRECTOR:**

Hartwig wished everyone a happy October.

Hartwig stated that he attended the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Conference in Dallas recently. Hartwig said overall the conference went well and he was happy to see so many staff in attendance at the conference.

Hartwig made mention of the upcoming Howl-O-Ween event scheduled for Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at Wolfe Wildlife. Hartwig stated staff are monitoring the weather and in the event of rain the event will be moved to Oak View.

Hartwig stated that he is currently running for the Illinois Park and Recreation Association (IPRA) Board. He stated that he is running for the at-large position available. Election results will be announced in a few weeks.

Hartwig said he was unable to attend the Oak Lawn Parks Foundation golf outing but he was able to attend the dinner that evening. Hartwig said overall the event went well and he looks forward to discussing a scholarship program being brought back with the help from the Foundation.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Johnson stated that he attended the Foundation Golf Outing. Johnson said the outing was well attended and there were lots of raffle items.

Johnson said he attended his first NRPA Conference in Dallas and he enjoyed his time there. Johnson stated that he is looking forward to the state conference in January.

Johnson thanked staff for all the information that they provide in their monthly staff reports. Johnson said staff provide a lot of valuable information in the reports and he looks forward to reading them each month.

**MATTERS OF THE COMMISSIONERS:**

Stalker stated that she too attended the NRPA Conference in Dallas and she had a really nice time. Stalker said it was a great experience to meet a lot of people in the field as well as get to know staff.

Donahue stated he was unable to attend the NRPA Conference this year but mentioned he has attended in the past. Donahue said he was happy to hear that everyone had a great time at the conference.

Mottl said the NRPA Conference went really well, and she enjoyed getting to know staff while in Dallas.

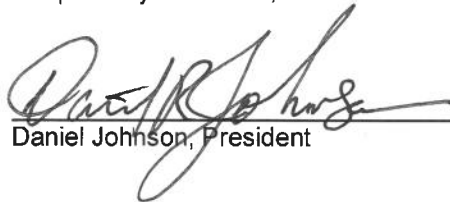
Mottl made mention that her children are signed up for some Fall programs within the district and so far everything is going great with them.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mottl moved, Stalker seconded to adjourn at 7:21p.m.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Daniel Johnson, President

  
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Tracey Gallik, Recording Secretary