

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
August 16, 2021 6:00PM
Washington Park District, 105 S. Spruce St., Washington, IL

Regular Meeting

1.0 Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Washington Park District Board of Commissioners, Tazewell County, Illinois was held on July 19, 2021 at the Washington Park District office located at 105 S. Spruce Street, Washington, Illinois. President Cox called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Commissioners present were: Jim Bremner, Brittany Miller and Jeff Schultz. Commissioner Marc Heuermann was absent. Staff present were Brian Tibbs, Director; Kim Hess, Finance Manager, Jeremy McMenimen, Superintendent of Parks and Property and Jackie Hofer, Administrative Assistant.

2.0 Petition and Public Comment

Jim Carter, 114 Meadow Lane, Washington, Illinois was present, declining comment.

3.0 Approval of Meeting Minutes

3.1 Approval of July 19, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

- A motion was made to approve the July 19, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes (Bremner, Schultz; C-Un)

4.0 Financial Report

- A motion was made to approve the Financial Report (Miller, Bremner; C-Un)

5.0 Review and Approval of Claims

- A motion was made to approve and pay the claims (Bremner, Schultz; C-Un)

6.0 Committee Reports

6.1 Update from HISRA Representative – virtual meeting scheduled for August 18, 2021

6.2 Update from the WACC Representative – Commissioner Miller attended and reports, they are feeling a little more hopeful about some COVID relief money both retro actively and with some of the new packages they may be eligible for.

6.3 Update from Washington Park District Foundation Representative – working with Rick Joseph on paperwork to make things happen for the land. There is one hurdle that we need to jump through but we are moving forward with that.

7.0 Staff Reports

7.1 Parks and Property-no additions

7.2 Recreation Manager-

7.3 Executive Director- Director Tibbs had no additions to his report but highlighted Items under Administration, Programs and Covid-19.

8.0 Old Business

None

9.0 New Business

9.1 Discussion and potential approval to allow a “Paint the Path” event to be held along the Washington Recreational Trail adjacent to the Washington Fire Department on September 19th.

This is a fundraiser for a new scholarship program for Washington students called the Bridge Foundation. Meg Sutherland is taking the lead on this and volunteering her time along with some other people. The location will be close to the Abraham Lincoln Statue, a person would sponsor a square and paint a tasteful picture. The cost of the square would be \$10.00 to \$15.00.

Commissioners agreed to allow “Paint the Path” use of the Washington Recreational Trail. President Tibbs will contact Meg Sutherland.

9.2 Bond refinancing proposal discussion-President Tibbs emailed Commissioners regarding this and will continue to work with Attorney Rick Joseph.

9.3 Washington Park Pool repair discussion-After much discussion of the pool, And the next step to take, Commissioners decided to have the Professional leak detector come out and diagnose.

Executive Session in accordance with section 5 ILCS 120/2 © 1 of the open meetings act to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

- A motion was made at 6:58pm to move into executive session (Miller, Schultz; C-Un)
- A motion was made at 7:39pm to adjourn from executive session (Schultz,Bremner; C-Un)

10.0 Adjournment

A motion was made at 7:40 to adjourn from the regular meeting. (Bremner, Miller; C-Un)

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Schultz, Secretary
Washington Park District
Board of Commissioners