

**Chicago Heights Park District
Park District Board of Commissioners
Regular Board Meeting
June 14, 2021
7:00 p.m.**

Meeting called to Order: The Regular Board meeting of the Chicago Heights Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Upon roll call, the following board members were recorded present: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Mangiaracina, Commissioner Strazcek, and Commissioner Zuniga. Commissioner Nichols-Brown was recorded absent. A quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve Regular Board Meeting minutes in May 2021, by Commissioner Zuniga, seconded by Commissioner Strazcek. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Strazcek, Commissioner Zuniga and President Mangiaracina. Motion passed.

President Mangiaracina: Commissioner Mangiaracina wished all the fathers a Happy Father's Day. She informed the board that the Chicago Heights Park District is in the mist of transiting and will be opening advertisement for Executive Director/Superintendent position with the IAPD. Looking for the best possible candidate to fill this position.

Treasure's Report: On the Treasure's report given by Commissioner Baikauskas was approved by Commissioner Strazcek, seconded by Commissioner Perez. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Strazcek, Commissioner Zuniga and President Mangiaracina. Motion passed.

Assistant Superintendents Report: Mike DeButch informed the board that he submitted his report to the board.

Attorneys Report: None given.

Public Participation: Charles Dieringer, 150 Grace Lane, Chicago Heights, Il. 60411. He reported to the board about flooding issues due to issues at Swanson Park. Flooding also at Saratoga Park. He stated that issues with wetlands were not addressed correctly.

Commissioners Report

Commissioner Perez: Commissioner Perez informed the board that she had about 10 to 12 students that came out for the City Wide Clean up.

Commissioner Baikauskas: Commissioner Baikauskas informed the board that her next ward meeting will be held with Alderman Baikauskas on Monday, June 27th at 6 p.m. at Roosevelt Elementary School.

Commissioner Strazcek: Commissioner Strazcek informed the board that he would be hosting his ward meeting with Alderman Zarate on Thursday, June 24th 7p.m. at Commissioners Park. He stated that he would be absent from this meeting, but Alderman Zarate will be in charge.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Submission of Bills: On a motion to pay the bills for the month of May 2021 by Commissioner Strazcek, seconded by Commissioner Baikauskas, the following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, President Mangiaracina, Commissioner Strazcek and Commissioner Zuniga. Motion passed.

Motion: On a motion to authorize the scheduling of a Public Hearing on the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Monday, July 12, 2021, at 6:45 p.m. and publish legal notice of said hearing by Commissioner Strazcek, seconded by Commissioner Perez. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, President Mangiaracina, Commissioner Strazcek and Commissioner Zuniga. Motion passed.

Resolution: On the resolution 2021-05 a resolution authorizing and approving a certain proposal and contract with Illinois Government Relations Services for the Chicago Heights Park District, County of Cook, State of Illinois by Commissioner Baikauskas, seconded by Commissioner Strazcek. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, President Mangiaracina, Commissioner Strazcek and Commissioner Zuniga. Motion passed.

Motion: On a motion to Direct the Interim Superintendent and the Board President to get three (3) quotes for a forensic audit and for said persons to determine the scope of the audit by considering input from the Board of Commissioners by, Monday, June 21st, related to the scope of the forensic audit by Commissioner Strazcek, seconded by Commissioner Baikauskas. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, President Mangiaracina, Commissioner Strazcek and Commissioner Zuniga. Motion passed. Discussion followed. Park District Attorney informed the board to amend the motion to reflect that suggestion of audit have a timeline.

President Mangiaracina complimented Acting Superintendent, Mike DeButch and Program Director, Wanda Rodgers for doing a great job during this transiting period and moving us forward to better days at the Chicago Heights Park District.

Adjournment: On a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. by Commissioner Strazcek, seconded by Commissioner Zuniga. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, President Mangiaracina, Commissioner Strazcek and Commissioner Zuniga. Motion passed.

Secretary

Date