

**Chicago Heights Park District
Regular Meeting
Park District Board of Commissioners
November 14, 2022
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 7:02 p.m.

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

Motion: On a motion to appoint Commissioner Curtis Straczek as President Pro-Temp for the duration of the meeting in the absence of Board President, Jessica Mangiaracina by Commissioner Baikauskas, seconded by Commissioner Perez. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Straczek, and Commissioner Zuniga. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes on October 11, 2022, by Commissioner Baikauskas, seconded by Commissioner Zuniga. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Straczek, and Commissioner Zuniga. Motion carried.

President Mangiaracina: None was given.

Treasure's Report: None was given.

Superintendents Report: Superintendent Dr. Shari Demitrowicz announced that there are 15 new memberships this month. She announced there will be a meeting with the architects, the budget will be finished, and the grant will be submitted. Also, the Program Director, Wanda Rodgers-Spruell, and President Mangiaracina will be working on "Friends of the Park." The winter booklet will be released digitally and mailed out to Chicago Heights and South Chicago Heights residents. She announced that concession stand blueprints are being reviewed to discuss with the board. Also, the park district is working with the City of Chicago and Onsolve to merge as a subgroup to reach a broader audience to enhance advertising for the park district. Golf courses are closed for the season, and golf courses had a great season. She thanked everyone for doing a great job. She stated that the park district is waiting on the delivery of the golf carts. The park district attorneys are looking into why the delivery is delayed. The audit is in the final stage and bonds will be sought after to purchase new equipment for all parks. She informed the board that in their packets are copies of contracts and contractors that the park district is currently doing business with for their review. She informed them to contact her if they have any questions.

Attorneys Report: Attorney Tiffany Nelson-Jaworski informed the board that a brief review of the estimated tax levy will be given this evening.

Public Participation: No participants.

Commissioners Report

Commissioner Ridley: None was given

Commissioner Perez: None was given

Commissioner Baikauskas: Commissioner Baikauskas announced that her next joint 4th Ward meeting with Alderman Baikauskas will be held on Monday, November 28th at 6 pm at Roosevelt School. She concluded her report by thanking everyone for coming out to the Annual Trunk or Treat. She stated that the event was amazing.

Commissioner Straczek: None was given.

Commissioner Zuniga: Commissioner Zuniga wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Submission of Bills: On a motion to pay the bills for October 2022 by Commissioner Baikauskas, seconded by Commissioner Ridley. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Straczek, and Commissioner Zuniga. Motion carried.

Resolution: On a resolution 2022-11 determining the estimated property taxes to be levied by the Chicago Heights Park District Cook County, Illinois for the 2022 Tax Year by Commissioner Ridley, seconded by Commissioner Zuniga. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Straczek, and Commissioner Zuniga. Motion carried.

A brief presentation of the tentative 2022 Tax Levey was presented by Moses Diaz of RAM Accounting.

Presentation: Shaun Winston of Kompan gave the Board of Commissioners a special presentation on park equipment.

Adjournment: On a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. by Commissioner Straczek, seconded by Commissioner Zuniga. The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Ridley, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Straczek, and Commissioner Zuniga. Motion carried.

Secretary

Date