

Minutes of Monthly Board Meeting  
Berwyn Park District  
February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
Proksa Park Activity Center

The regular monthly meeting of the Berwyn Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:04pm by Board President Brian Brock.

Commissioners in attendance: Brian Brock (President), Ana Espinoza, Gretchen Hause Kostelny, Mario Manfredini, and Zachary Taylor.

Staff in attendance: Sandra Fejt (Executive Director), Debbi Gayon (Superintendent of Recreation), and Cindy Hayes (Superintendent of Finance and HR) and John Roberts (Superintendent of Parks).

Guests: Jerry Sebesta (treasurer).

**Agenda:** A motion made by Manfredini, seconded by Espinoza to approve the amended agenda as presented. Motion unanimously carried. A motion was made by Manfredini, seconded by Kostelny to move up items C, D, E, and F under New Business before Closed session. Motion unanimously carried.

**Minutes:** A motion made by Manfredini, seconded by Kostelny to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting from January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022, as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

**Public Comments:** Claire Clark would like an update on the Freedom Park playground that was put on hold due to covid. Clark also commented on the Polar Express program. Her family enjoyed the program, she just would like emails or phone calls on any changes to park programs.

**Treasurer's Report:** The monthly financial report given by Sebesta. The total investments as of January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022, is \$1,696,168.11. A motion was made by Manfredini, seconded by Kostelny to approve the monthly financial report, and place it on file for audit. Motion unanimously carried. A motion was made by Kostelny, seconded by Manfredini to approve February's payables \$ 40,827.57 and January's payroll \$64,060.66 for a total of \$104,888.23. Roll call: Brock-Aye, Espinoza- Aye, Kostelny-Aye, Manfredini-Aye, and Taylor- Aye. Motion carried.

**Executive Director's Report** presented by Fejt. report in packet. The proposed design for the playground at Sunshine Park were submitted to West Suburban Special Recreation Association for input. Fejt has been working with Public Works on planning for Arbor Week. Recreation has been busy with preschool, futsal, disc golf and working on rentals. Liberty has sport rentals every night- Monday-Friday. Pawfficer Romeo from the Berwyn Police Department made a video promoting Karban Dog Park.

**West Suburban Special Recreation Association (WSSRA):** no February meeting.

**Correspondence:** none this month.

**Standing Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** report in packet.

**Building and Grounds:** report in packet.

**Policy and Personnel:** no report

**Recreation:** report in packet

**Unfinished Business:** Sunshine Park playground- ready for a decision at the March meeting. Master Planning- ready for a decision at the March meeting.

**New Business:**

The current employee policy book was put on flash drives and given to each commissioner. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) training programs are being explored for all staff and board members.

All board members need to turn in their Open Meetings Act completed certificates to the Freedom Admin office for the files.

Closed session-A motion was made by Manfredini, seconded by Kostelny to go into closed session under 5 ILCS(c) 120 to discuss personnel at 7:44pm. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Manfredini, seconded by Espinoza to come out of closed session and resume the regular meeting. Roll call: Brock-Aye, Espinoza- Aye, Kostelny-Aye, Manfredini- Aye, and Taylor- Aye.

Motion carried. A motion was made by Manfredini, seconded by Kostelny to research information and cost of a labor lawyer. Roll call: Brock-Aye, Espinoza- Aye, Kostelny-Aye, Manfredini- Aye, and Taylor- Aye. Motion carried.

**Meeting Dates:**

Finance Committee, Recreation Committee, Policy, and Personnel and Building and Grounds Committee, will meet Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 4:30pm at the Proksa Park Activity Center.

Next Regular Board Meeting will meet Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 7pm, at the Proksa Park Activity Center.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Kostelny, seconded by Manfredini to adjourn at 8:55pm. Motion unanimously carried.

Attested to by:

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President: Brian Brock



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Recording Secretary: Cynthia Hayes