

Lombard Park District  
Board of Park Commissioners  
Special Board Meeting  
Zoom Online Meeting  
Tuesday, May 12, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Scalzo at 6:36 p.m.

Upon roll call being taken, the following commissioners were present:

Commissioners:                    Jim Scalzo, Vice President  
                                         Bob Bachner, Commissioner  
                                         Margie Fugiel, Commissioner  
                                         Mike Kuderna, Commissioner  
                                         Dave Lemar, Commissioner  
                                         Greg Ludwig, Commissioner  
                                         Peter Nolan, Commissioner

Staff:                                 Paul W. Friedrichs, Executive Director  
                                         Joe McCann, Director of Recreation  
                                         Andrea Chiappetta, Director of Finance & Personnel  
                                         Kevin Ingram, Superintendent of Golf Operations  
                                         Dean Styburski, Superintendent of Parks  
                                         Leah Touzios, Recording Secretary

Guest:                                Nicole Kapala, Employee  
                                         Shona Hedke, Employee  
                                         Nathan Kinsinger, Employee  
                                         Katy McKinnon, Employee  
                                         Katie Manheim, Employee  
                                         Dave Littwin, Employee  
                                         Joey Kalwat, Geneva Park District

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Executive Director Friedrichs requested approval of the May 12, 2020 Agenda.

**Commissioner Nolan made a motion to approve the May 12, 2020 Special Board Meeting Agenda. Commissioner Kuderna seconded the motion. On a call for the vote, six ayes (Bachner, Kuderna, Lemar, Ludwig, Nolan, Scalzo). Motion carried.**

Executive Director Friedrichs requested a motion to appoint Margie Fugiel to fill a Board vacancy.

**Commissioner Ludwig made a motion to approve the appointment of Fugiel to fill a Board vacancy. Commissioner Kuderna seconded the motion. On a roll call, six ayes (Bachner, Kuderna, Lemar, Ludwig, Nolan, Scalzo). Motion carried.**

### **Administration of Oath of Office**

Margie Fugiel took the Oath of Office as a newly elected Board of Park Commissioners.

### **Citizens Wishing to Address the Board**

None.

### **Park District Operations Update**

Superintendent Ingram gave the Board of Park Commissioners an update on the condition of the golf course. Superintendent Ingram discussed opening the course on May 2 due to flooding. The flooding issues drained without any damage to the course. Also, Superintendent Ingram discussed regulations of the course, like golfers can only play at most in a twosome. Superintendent Ingram was available to answer any questions.

Superintendent Styburski gave the Board of Park Commissioners an update on the status of park operations. Superintendent Styburski discussed how the parks department is running on twelve employees. Turf and weed control is a difficult task to control. Superintendent Styburski was available to answer any questions.

Director Chiappetta gave the Board of Park Commissioners an update on financials with the District. Director Chiappetta is updating the financial forecast daily. The current financial forecast is drawn up through December 2020. The 2019 audit will be pushed until the June 2020 board meeting. Director Chiappetta discussed that the feds are covering 50% of unemployment claims. The administrative staff is assisting at the greenhouse. Lastly, Director Chiappetta touched on how approximately 45% of the June property taxes could be delayed due to COVID-19. Director Chiappetta was available to answer any questions.

Director McCann gave the Board of Park Commissioners an overview on the recreation department's new normal. Various virtual amenities are available to the public, such as, programming, camps, fitness center, and the activity guide. There are about twenty-five virtual programs available to the public. Director McCann touched on summer programs and what they might look like this season. Fall activity guide content is due May 18. Lastly, Director McCann reported that the recreation department is assisting with the golf course operations. Director McCann was available to answer any questions.

Responding to Commissioner Nolan's question about the District experimenting with one summer program versus completely not providing any summer programs, Executive Director Friedrichs explained the following: 18 communities put together correspondence to be presented to our State Representatives on plans for summer camps and fitness centers. The District is looking for direction on do's and don'ts, programming scenarios, and regulations.

### **Paradise Bay Water Park 2020 Operations**

Executive Director Friedrichs sent a report of seven common questions, to the Board of Commissioners, on pool operations and COVID-19. Some guidelines that the District is looking for that pertains to the pool operations are social distancing, how to train staff, the safety of staff and

patrons, personal protective equipment and disinfecting, and how to conform to these requirements. The District would have to wait until phase four, with only allowing fifty persons in the pool area.

Commissioner's questions were; could the pool be open during a specific period, what would be the best scenario for the pool opening, and does phase four, fifty maximum occupancy, include staff?

Director McCann discussed how difficult it would be to let patrons use the pool services. Would the District do pre-registered slot times for patrons? How do we disinfect after every time slot is over, before the next group of patrons use the pool? How could we accommodate all the patrons waiting to get in on a hot weather day? Director McCann and Facility Manager Littwin conducted a financial forecast for different scenarios for the pool opening.

**Commissioner Ludwig made a motion to vote on the closure of the Paradise Bay Water Park for the 2020 summer season. Commissioner Fugiel seconded the motion. On a roll call, seven ayes (Bachner, Fugiel, Kuderna, Lemar, Ludwig, Nolan, Scalzo). Motion carried.**

### Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Ludwig discussed his sadness about closing the pool for the 2020 summer season.

Commissioner Kuderna praised staff for doing a great job.

Commissioner Bachner gives hope to staff on staying positive, commends the golf course as one positive, and is unhappy about pool closing, but understands all the reasoning.

Commissioner Fugiel thanked everyone for allowing her to fill the Park Board vacancy.

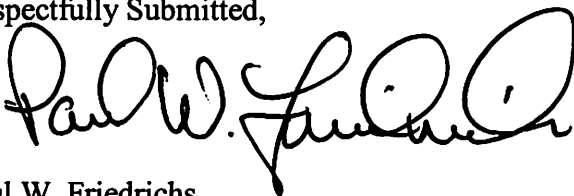
Commissioner Nolan commended the golf course on looking great.

Commissioner Lemar discussed the hard decision to close the pool for the 2020 summer season and he welcomed Margie to the Board.

Vice President Scalzo is proud of how staff is handling COVID-19.

**There being no further business, at 7:20 p.m. Commissioner Kuderna made a motion to adjourn the Special Board Meeting of May 12, 2020. Commissioner Bachner seconded the motion. On a call for the vote, seven ayes (Bachner, Fugiel, Kuderna, Lemar, Ludwig, Nolan, Scalzo). Motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Paul W. Friedrichs  
Secretary

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