

ROBBINS PARK DISTRICT
GENERAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY MARCH 20, 2024
5:00PM
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (TIME): 5:01PM

BY: BOARD SECRETARY SHEILA INMAN

LORD'S PRAYER (IN UNISON) LED BY: ALL

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS:

 P Justin Harris P Terry Lee
 P Anthony D. Richardson Sr. A Ryan Buckley
 P Andea R. Roberson A Angela Murphy- Watts

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? YES NO (CIRCLE CORRECT RESPONSE): Mr. Parrott let the Board and the Citizens know the three individuals that ran for Commissioners that are Elected and Certified by the Cook County Clerks Office and can come and take there seats but they should understand pending litigation in the appellant court the park district hasn't received any rulings or any orders from the court system as to relieve necessary In deem important to this agency but any of those individuals want to take their seat because they have been certified and sworn in they may do so with the understanding that this meeting may or may not be considered a legal or illegal meeting until such resolution and relief is given by the Appellate Court.

1. **APPROVE LAST MONTH'S MEETING MINUTES: No Meeting**
2. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** The Pres. read a letter to Thank the Residents for the voting on the Referendum and the progress of the park district and that were willing to work with other entities to make this Village Progress. Motion to Approve the Pres. Report Vice Pres. Harris and seconded by Comm. Richardson Roll Call Vote: Vice Pres. Harris yes, Comm. Richardson yes, Comm. Lee yes.
3. **TREASURER'S REPORT, FINANCE:** Comm. Richardson spoke on the Jan. and Feb. Monthly Report Operational: \$12,863.37 for Jan. Feb.16,087.16 All Bills are Paid, Motion and Approved by Pres. Roberson and seconded by Comm. Lee Roll Call Vote: Pres. Roberson yes, Comm. Lee yes, Comm. Harris yes. Secretary spoke on a letter that was received to Mr. Kendall Parrott a Lifetime Achievement Award for his Service for Parks & Recreation and Conservation from the President /CEO Peter M. Murphy, Esq., CAE, IOM of Illinois Association of Park Districts then we Congratulated him on his AWARD!!
4. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT, COMMITTEE REPORT:** A hand out was presented to the Board and Mr. Parrott went on with his Report on Partnerships, Springfield Trip 2024, 2024-25 Budget, Programming and Yeah!! To the Referendum!! Someone asked how much was the total votes: 231 (54.61%) Voted YES, 192(45.39%) Voted NO. Motioned and Approved by Pres. Roberson and seconded by Comm. Richardson Roll Call Vote: Pres. Roberson yes, Comm. Richardson yes, Comm. Harris yes, Comm. Lee yes.
 - a. **Building & Grounds, Public Safety:** Pres. Roberson said over the weekend Mr. Essix Murphy Clean-up for our Easter Event (March 29, 2-4pm) at Celebration Park on Trumbull Ave. he notice that some kids were playing on the exercise equipment and it was dangerous for them because pieces are missing from it and we need to either remove it or replace it with something else quickly.
 - b. **Recreation:** Comm. Harris said that the Park District Basketball League is wrapping up and now we have 4 teams that are in 1st Place the Babies are in different league and in the Community Center league we have 3 teams that are in AAU National League, a Agenda is going to be put together to recognize the kids for their Great Skills in the Sports and give out Trophies it's the last week of the Rec. League after this week playoffs will start Were going to show that Robbins Park District is the Best!!! And to get a championship under our belt!

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These are a Park District League comm. Richardson asked how many park district leagues are involved 8 from this area Markham, Blue Island, Worth, Alsip, Bridgeview, Crestwood, some games have been played in Robbins at the Community Center. Mr. Parrott asked if the kids with trophies be present at our next meeting. Pres, Roberson Motioned to Approve a building and ground, public safety, recreation and Comm. Richardson seconded Roll Call vote: Pres. Roberson yes, Comm. Richardson yes, Vice Pres. Harris yes, Comm. Lee yes.

5. OLD BUSINESS: none

6. NEW BUSINESS:

7. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Approve to Pay the Bills for Jan. 2024, & Feb. 2024:

B. Approval of 2024 Special Events Calendar: Talks for the Easter Event and the Board would have to go over the Special Event Calendar, Comm. Harris asked about the Bike Riding Event and Director Parrott explained it, Cinco De Mio meeting is tomorrow these are events including what we normally do it's just to show what are plans are with each event Celebrating Our 45th Anniversary.

C. Approval to attend Parks Day at the Capital (May 6-8, 2024): Pres. Let the Board know we did go last year with taking the Robbins Eagles Show casing them and letting them (Rep., Senators, etc.,) know what we trying to do in our town, this year were taking the other football team The Hawks to Show Case them.

D. Approval to Sponsor Presidential Achievement Honoree(Kendall Parrott): Mr. Parrott Explained and asked for Sponsorship for his Event which includes the VIP Table (of 8)with Recognition, Admission, Acknowledgment , he asking for the Donation for \$200 Comm. Richardson asked were is it located? Lester L. Long Banquet Center in Dolton Sunday April 7, 3-7pm, The Pres. Motioned to Approve A, B, C, D, and seconded by Comm. Harris, Roll Call Vote: Prs. Roberson yes, Vice Pres. Harris yes, Comm. Richardson yes, Comm. Lee yes.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Mayor Bryant stopped by and talked about the letter he received for Sponsorship for the Juneteenth Celebration and he is here to say the Village will back you 100% with anything needed the highest was \$3000.00 he knows about the supplies needed.

Mr. Buckley asked about the website(it's on) he asked were the minutes going to be on there? The President said we working on it now but yes, Where is the plan for the referendum the Director said it's being planned where the new playgrounds and layout will be put out to the public within 30 to 45 days He asked about a Comprehensive Plan do we have one because of all the project we're doing it should a plan so you can physically look at and see certain projects in the Community like the project about the Cal Sag Channel. Mr. Parrott talked about the Cal Sag Trail project and that he sat on that Board for 2 in a half years he said it was under the Ward Administration that they never responded and Blue Island was the leading agency he doesn't know why Robbins wasn't included but that's what was stated so as of now New administrator of Robbins needs to look into that and as of the Comprehensive plan we would have to look at the old one from 2017 and update it and get it out, Special Recreation why don't we have representation to be on the Board I think we should because then we can Levy for Mr. Parrott let Mr. Buckley know we have been supporting SRSWA special events and yes is a great idea he will get in contact with one of them also of our limited taxing ability we do make sure if any resident has a special need we cover any kind of support for them and the families Secretary did let Mr. Buckley we have been

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involved so Mr. Parrott said he will reach out it also was explain every park district has a different EAV(Equalized Assessed Value) of property and land in their town. Mayor Bryant asked what's the next step to the levy? The county to process and it will come up on the November bill and talk to our financial advisers and share with the community. Mayor asked in November Mr. Parrott said the tax bill the second installment. So installments were discuss of the second of the last year 2023.

ADJOURN: 5:42pm Motion and Approve by Pres. Roberson and seconded by Vice Pres. Harris.