

MACOMB PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING 3/20/18

MINUTES:

Commissioners present: John Hemingway, Valencia Pettigrew, Russ Hamm, Curtis Bortell, & Philip Weiss
Attorney Joe O'Donnell
Staff Present: Rachel Lenz, Johnathon Reed, & Kayla Morphey
Media and others: 1

6:09 – Vice President Pettigrew declared the meeting open.

2. **Approval of Agenda** – Commissioner Weiss moved for approval of the agenda. Commissioner Hamm seconded the motion. The motion passed (3 ayes – 0 nays).

3. **Consideration of and action on the minutes, bills and transfers, and monthly financial statements** – Commissioner Hamm moved for approval of the minutes. Commissioner Weiss seconded the motion. The motion passed (3 ayes – 0 nays).

Treasurer Hamm said overall the month ended under budget and that management was doing a good job keeping expenses down for the month of February. Commissioner Weiss moved to approve of the bills and transfers and monthly financial statements. Commissioner Hamm second the motion. The February financial statements and March bills were approved on roll call vote (3 ayes – 0 nays).

4. **Public Comment** – None

5. **President's report** – N/A

6. **Director's report** – Director Lenz said the weather has brought more activity in the parks and an increase in users. Lenz also announced the official hiring of the new Superintendent of Maintenance, Jeff Hoyt. Work has begun on the ball fields getting the fields prepped for the upcoming season. Lenz met with representatives from each of the youth leagues to discuss practices and leagues schedules. Superintendent Hanneman hosted a Disney Trivia night to raise funds for the Push 4 Parks campaign. The event was a huge success and raised approximately \$1,200 for the lighting project. HyVee has put together another wonderful fundraiser for Push 4 Parks with a meat bundle. For every “Veterans Ball Park Bundle” sold, HyVee will be donating \$10 to the campaign. The District is also entering into a new Cloud based platform to standardized maintenance and safety tasks.

6:20 – *Commissioner Hemingway entered meeting*

7. **Public Hearing regarding the Budget & Appropriation Ordinance #326** – President Hemingway opened the public hearing at 6:24 by reading Ordinance #326 into the minutes:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND MAKING A COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS TO DEFRAY ALL NECESSARY EXPENSES OF THE MACOMB PARK DISTRICT AND THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE MACOMB PARK DISTRICT, MCDONOUGH COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2018, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018.

With no one present to comment President Hemingway closed the public hearing at 6:26.

8. Consideration and possible action regarding the Budget & Appropriation Ordinance #326– President Hemingway asked if there was any discussion on the document. Commissioner Hamm moved to approve. Commissioner Pettigrew second. The motion passed on a roll call vote (4 ayes, 0 nays).

9. Consideration and possible action regarding Ordinance #327 – Authority to Name or Rename Parks, Geographical Features, Buildings, Field Complexes, Fields, Facilities & Installations – President Hemingway discussed the importance of the policy in front of the commissioners and the opportunities it could present, especially with the active campaign happening with the lighting project. Hemingway asked that the commissioners look over the document carefully and bring thoughts and/or revisions back for the April meeting where it will hopefully be approved.

10. Resolution 18-3: Policy on Naming & Renaming of Parks, Geographical Features, Buildings, Field Complexes, Fields, Facilities, & Installations – President Hemingway took several minutes to walk the commissioners through the policy and pointed out important key aspects of the naming policy for their consideration.

6:44 – Commissioner Bortell entered meeting

11. Submission and discussion of Visioning Statement revisions. – President Hemingway quickly discussed the process that has gone on over the last several months to get the current statement to where it is. Hemingway asked the Commissioners their feelings on the document, reminding them the next step would be opening it up for public review.

12. Closed Session: The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body - 5ILCS 120/2(5) - President Hemingway said the closed session was on the agenda to update the commissioners on the status of the purchase or lease of real property that has been discussed over the last several meetings. Commissioner Bortell moved to enter into closed session. Commissioner Weiss second. The motion passed on a roll call vote (5 ayes, 0 nays) moving the board into closed session at 6:55.

The board entered back into open session discussions at 7:18 with a move from Hamm and a second from Pettigrew. The motion passed on a roll call vote (5 ayes, 0 nays).

13. Open Commissioner Presentation and discussion of future agenda items – N/A

7:20 Meeting adjourned on motion from Weiss, second by Pettigrew.

Respectfully submitted

Rachel Lenz, Secretary
Macomb Park District