

MACOMB PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING 6/18/2024

MINUTES:

Commissioners present: Phil Weiss, Molly Selders, Emily Gamage, Russell Hamm & Neil Armstrong

Staff Present: Annalise Gately

Media and others: 1

1. 6:03 p.m. – President Weiss declared the meeting open.
2. **Approval of Agenda** – Commissioner Armstrong moved for approval of the agenda. Commissioner Hamm seconded the motion. The motion passed (5 ayes – 0 nays).
3. **Consideration of and action on the minutes and, bills and transfers, and monthly financial statements** – Commissioner Selders moved to approve the regularly scheduled May meeting minutes. Commissioner Gamage second the motion. The motion passed (5 ayes – 0 nays).

Treasurer Hamm gave an updated report on the consolidated fund and the general fund account. Hamm informed the board that the district received a PPRT distribution of \$28,207.61 on May 13. Commissioner Gamage moved to approve. Commissioner Armstrong second the motion. The April financial statements and May bills were approved on roll call vote (5 ayes – 0 nays).

4. **Public Comment** – None
5. **Election of Officers** –

President – Commissioner Weiss moved to elect Neil Armstrong as President. Commissioner Selders second the motion. Armstrong accepted the nomination. The motion passed (5 ayes, 0 nays.)

*\*Commissioner Weiss and Commissioner Armstrong switched seats as now President Armstrong continued with the meeting's proceedings. \**

Vice President – Commissioner Weiss moved to elect Molly Selders as Vice President. Commissioner Gamage second the motion. Selders accepted the nomination. The motion passed (5 ayes, 0 nays)

Treasurer – Commissioner Armstrong moved to elect Russ Hamm as Treasurer. Commissioner Selders second the motion. Hamm accepted the nomination. The motion passed (5 ayes, 0 nays)

Assistant Treasurer – Commissioner Hamm moved to elect Emily Gamage as Assistant Treasurer. Commissioner Selders second the motion. Gamage accepted the nomination. The motion passed (5 ayes, 0 nays)

Secretary – Commissioner Weiss moved to elect Rachel Lenz as Secretary. Commissioner Selders second the motion. Lenz accepted the nomination. The motion passed (5 ayes, 0 nays)

Assistant Secretary – Commissioner Hamm moved to elect Chris Frankhauser as Assistant Secretary. Commissioner Weiss second the motion. Lenz accepted the nomination on Frankhauser's behalf. The motion passed (5 ayes, 0 nays)

6. **Introduction of McDonough County Special Recreation Association Program Supervisor – Annalise Gately** – Supervisor Gately introduced herself to the board, giving a brief about history about herself as well as an update of what has been going on with the MCSRA since she took the position six weeks ago. Included in her update was the announcement that four of the MCSRA Special Olympics athletes medal at the state track tournament held in Bloomington.
7. **President’s report** – President Armstrong thanked the board for their confidence in electing him as the new board president. Armstrong took the opportunity to thank emeritus President Weiss for his leadership over the last several years, previous Director Peterson for his nuggets of wisdom, emeritus President Hemingway for his guidance, and all the commissioners who have come before and brought the District were it is today. Armstrong also announced he was asked to join the IAPD Education committee after state conference this year and gladly accepted.
8. **Director’s report** – Director Lenz shared an update on the Patton Park project, including 2,816 TerreWalk panels have been installed thus far bringing the total to 6,764 (169,100 lbs of plastic kept out of the landfill.) An additional 1,200 panels will be delivered at the end of June. Executive Directors from Champaign Park District and Bloomington Park District will be visiting Macomb to see the TerreWalk panels as they consider potential usage in their future capital improvement projects.

Lenz also informed the board the Park District has partnered with the Macomb Centennial Morning Rotary who installed a pollinator plot at Citizens Plaza; in partnership with McDonough County IL Soil & Water Conservation District and the Macomb Beautiful Association.

Lenz closed with an update on park golf, summer events and share that the City of Macomb declared the month of July as Parks & Recreation month during their July 1<sup>st</sup> meeting.

9. **Open Commissioner presentation and discussion of future agenda items-** N/A

6:34 PM Meeting adjourned on motion from Gamage, second by Weiss. The motion passed (5 ayes, 0 nays).

Respectfully submitted.

Rachel Lenz, Secretary  
Macomb Park District