

MACOMB PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING 12/19/2023

MINUTES:

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

Attorney: Emily Sutton

Staff Present: Rachel Lenz

Media and others: 1

1. 6:00 p.m. – President Weiss declared the meeting open.
2. **Approval of Agenda** – Commissioner Hamm moved for approval of the agenda. Commissioner Selders 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 Armstrong moved to approve the regularly scheduled December meeting minutes. Commissioner Gamage second the motion. The motion passed (5 ayes – 0 nays).

Treasurer Hamm gave an overview of the consolidated fund and each of the general fund accounts. Hamm informed the board the District received its final tax distribution on November 15th in the way of \$166,940.88. Commissioner Gamage moved to approve. Commissioner Selders second the motion. The December financial statements and January bills were approved on roll call vote (5 ayes – 0 nays).

4. **Public Comment** – None
5. **President’s report** – President Weiss reminded the commissioners the next board meeting would be on Wednesday, January 17th due to the holiday. Weiss also took time to thank the staff and volunteers for their work and going above and beyond again this year.
6. **Director’s report** – Director Lenz shared that the Park District submitted a picture to the IAPD photo contest and won 2nd place in the recreation category. The photo will be featured during the Soaring to New Heights Awards Luncheon at conference next month. Lenz also shared that ceramics had a record opening registration day with over \$5,000 in registrations in less than 24 hours.

Lenz reminded everyone that the office would be closed December 25th through January 1st; normal operations would start again January 2nd at 8:00 a.m. Lenz thanked the board for all of their support, the Park District couldn’t do what they do without the dedication of each commissioner.

7. **Consideration and action on the 2023 Property Tax Levy Ordinance #347** – President Weiss read the following into the minutes:

ORDINANCE NO. 347 - 2023

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND ASSESSING THE TAXES OF THE MACOMB PARK DISTRICT FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024.

Whereas, on the March 15, 2023, the Board of Commissioners of the Macomb Park District passed the annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of said District for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023, and upon said date the said Ordinance was duly signed and approved by the President of the Board of Commissioners of said District and signed by the Secretary of said Board; as required by Law;

Commissioner Armstrong moved to approve Ordinance #347. Commissioner Gamage second the motion. The motion passed on a roll call vote (5 ayes – 0 nays).

8. **Consideration and possible action on the Patton Park Boardwalk and Fishing Piers Bids** - Director Lenz shared that IMEG took lead on the bid process, as they historically have for previous bids, with a bid opening on December 12th. The District received four (4) bids for this project, with the lowest bid being approximately \$300,000. Lenz shared that is about three times the amount they had anticipated and recommended to the board to not accept any of the bids as it is beyond the District's current financial means. Lenz shared she would return to the drawing board with their Superintendent of Maintenance as well as engineering firm to devise a new, more feasible concept. Commissioner Selders moved to not accept any of the bids for the Patton Park Boardwalk and Fishing Piers. Commissioner Armstrong second the motion. The motion passed on a roll call vote (5 ayes, 0 nays)
9. **Discussion and possible action of Resolution 23-3: Personal Property** – President Weiss read the following into the record:

WHEREAS, the Macomb Park District does from time to time have personal property no longer useful to the district and;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Illinois Compiled Statutes 1205/8-22, the Macomb Park District declares the following property to be no longer necessary, useful, or for the best interest of the Macomb Park District;

Ice Rink Supplies
Ice Skates
[please see attached for detailed listing]

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE
MACOMB PARK DISTRICT, MACOMB ILLINOIS, in regular meeting December 19, 2023
declare the aforementioned equipment eligible for sale or otherwise disposal.

Commissioner Gamage moved to approve Resolution 23-3. Commissioner Selders second the motion. The motion passed on a roll call vote (5 ayes – 0 nays).

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

6:20 PM Meeting adjourned on motion from Armstrong, second by Gamage. The motion passed (5 ayes, 0 nays).

Respectfully submitted

Rachel Lenz, Secretary
Macomb Park District