

MACOMB PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING 08/16/2022

MINUTES:

Commissioners present: Phil Weiss, Russ Hamm & Molly Selders

Attorney: Emily Sutton

Staff Present: Rachel Lenz & Rok Locksley

Media and others: 2

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 (3 ayes – 0 nays).
3. **Consideration of and action on the minutes and, bills and transfers, and monthly financial statements** – Commissioner Hamm moved to approve the July meeting minutes. Commissioner Selders second the motion. The motion passed (3 ayes – 0 nays).

Treasurer Hamm gave an overview of the consolidated fund and each of the general fund accounts. Hamm also informed the board that the District received a 13% property tax distribution in the way of \$179,486 on July 19th and a PPRT payment of \$38,824 on July 12th. Commissioner Selders moved to approve. Commissioner Hamm second the motion. The monthly financial statements were approved on roll call vote (3 ayes – 0 nays).
4. **Public Comment** – None
5. **Update on status of Strategic Plan – presentation by Jarrod Scheunemann** – Jarrod Scheunemann presented to the Board via zoom about the current status of the Strategic Plan. Jarrod went through the situational analysis processes that had been completed including a review of operations portfolio; parks & facilities assessment; interviews & focus groups; SWOC analysis; mission, vision, values; priorities; and community survey. Key takeaways from his team’s park and facility assessment was Macomb Park District’s parks are secure & clean, full of latent potential, need focus on establishing a welcoming & accessible environment, and areas of aging infrastructure. Jarrod also shared a first look at the mission, vision, and values that were developed by the District team during a workshop hosted by Campfire Concepts and asked Commissioners to think on how these may or may not fit for the District with consideration for possible action in the future. Jarrod also provided a brief overview of the community survey results and let commissioners know a full report would be provided in the near future. Jarrod closed with the next steps of the process including trends, community profile, agency profile, and priorities.
6. **President’s report** – President Weiss stated he received a letter from IPARKS thanking the board for allowing Director Lenz the time to serve on the IPARKS Board of Directors. Weiss read the letter to the commissioners and commended Lenz for her work.
7. **Director Report** – Director Lenz announced at long last the Patton Park restroom is officially complete and open to the public. She thanked public for their patience and congratulated her team in officially completing the first phase of the Patton Park Project. Upcoming events include Randolph St Rendezvous featuring Matt

Eckberg on August 18 and Movie in the Park: Encanto on August 26. Lenz said Fall programming would be released in the very near future.

Lenz gave a big thank you to Dead Head Plant Nursery, their Push4Parks campaign brought \$4,000 to the Patton Park Project. The current Push4Parks Partner is Brown's Shoe Fit of Macomb with \$5 of each adult athletic shoe and \$2 from every pair of Hey Dudes sold will be donated to the Patton Park Project.

8. **Final review of the 2021 annual audit, action possible** – President Weiss reminded the board that last month Chad Lucas with Sikich presented the financial report for the 2021 audit, the approval of which was tabled until August to provide Commissioners time to go through the documents presented. Commissioner Hamm moved to approve the 2021 annual audit documents. Commissioner Selders second the motion. The motion passed on a roll call vote (3 ayes – 0 nays).
9. **Presentation by Sir Rok Locksley** – Sir Locksley thanked the board for allowing him time to share an overview of his time with the District as an AmeriCorp Fellow and what he was able to accomplish. Accomplishments included the Macomb School of Magic, Wizard Quest, Macomb School of Magic Board Game, comic book (still in development), four interactive sculptures, dog stones fundraiser, the 75th anniversary museum exhibit as well as building a historical record of parks in Macomb, and several illustrated works. Lenz commended Locksley for his outstanding work and for bring magic into the District's parks.
10. **Open Commissioner Presentation and discussion of future agenda items** – None

7:03 PM Meeting adjourned on motion from Hamm, second by Selders. The motion passed (3 ayes, 0 nays).

Respectfully submitted

Rachel Lenz, Secretary
Macomb Park District