

MACOMB PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING 09/17/19

MINUTES:

Commissioners: Philip Weiss, Russ Hamm, Stirling Edwards, & Jason York

Staff Present: Rachel Lenz

Attorney: Joe O'Donnell

Media and others: 3

6:00 p.m. –President Weiss declared the meeting open.

**2. Approval of Agenda** – Commissioner York moved for approval of the agenda. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. The motion passed (4 ayes – 0 nays).

**3. Consideration of and action on the minutes, bills and transfers, and monthly financial statements** – Commissioner Edwards moved for approval of the August meeting minutes. Commissioner York second the motion. The motion passed (4 ayes – 0 nays). Treasurer Hamm gave account summaries of both the consolidated fund and each of the general fund balances. Commissioner York moved to approve of the bills and transfers and monthly financial statements. Commissioner Edwards second the motion. The August financial statements and September bills were approved on roll call vote (4 ayes – 0 nays).

**4. Public Comment** – None

**5. President's report** – President Weiss made mention to how busy this summer has been through the District as we enter into the Fall season. Weiss took a moment to say thank you to Directory Lenz and her staff, a small yet mighty group of people who continue to do wonderful things for our community.

**6. Director's report** – Director Lenz went through, what she described as, the whirlwind of events that occurred over the last month. She gave an overview of the success of Flatland Summer Jam and the Macomb Kite Fest. She informed the board of the meeting she had with IMEG Engineers as well as a meeting she had with the Vice President of Inter-Fraternal Council at Western Illinois University. Lenz gave the board an update of what was coming up in the next month, including the final Movie in the Park, Lodge and Libations at Hornfield Campus, the Quality of Life Awards ceremony, and Town & Gown. Director Lenz asked Commissioners to check their calendars in January if they are interested in attending the IAPD/IPRA Conference in Chicago. Scholarships for the conference would be opening in October for those interested in attending. Lenz also invited Commissioners to take a minute to visit Lakeview Nature Area and Center if they had not recently as the new wrap around porch had just recently been completed. Community members were invited to come see the new amenity as well at the upcoming Fall festival – Moonlight Meander.

**7. Review of bid and contract award process – Eric Moe** - Eric Moe with IMEG Corporation gave a brief overview of what the second phase planning would include and what changes they foresee being prevalent as this project moves forward. Moe also went over building this development in phases to fit our budgetary restrictions as well as the timeline for the bid process. Commissioner Hamm reiterated how IMEG (previously McClure) was the engineering firm that executed the first and second phase of development at Veterans Park. Hamm asked Moe to expand on the benefits of LED over the HID system. Moe explained although the energy savings would not be as dramatically different as some might expect, the way technology is going HID is being phased out of the options and with LED the maintenance costs are minimal to none. Commissioner also asked for more detail on the bid timeline. Moe explained the bids would be opened in mid-January at which point the Board would have time to deliberate. Standard time to deliberate is 30 to 45 days after bids have been received.

**8. Consideration and possible action on (1) authorization to prepare specifications for installation of lights at the Veterans Park youth baseball complex and (2) advertise and collect bids for same.** – Commissioner Hamm moved to move into an agreement with IMEG as they have proposed. Commissioner York second. The motion passed on a roll call vote (4 ayes, 0 nays).

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

6:35 PM Meeting adjourned on motion from Edwards, second by Hamm. The motion passed (4 ayes, 0 nays).

Respectfully submitted

Rachel Lenz, Secretary  
Macomb Park District