



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF
THE SALT CREEK RURAL PARK DISTRICT HELD IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT
ROSE PARK 530 SOUTH WILLIAMS AVENUE, PALATINE, ILLINOIS 60074
OCTOBER 8TH, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Nagel called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Paul Nagel – President	Pat McGovern – Secretary
Victoria West – Vice President	Tim Stoeckel – Commissioner
Michael Reiss – Treasurer	

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT —Commissioners Ilene Seligmann and Joe Mazzocchi

STAFF PRESENT:

Diane Hilgers – Executive Director	Alessandro Moraca – SCSC General Manager
Chris Paisley – Director of Parks & Planning	Jody Dodson – Superintendent of Recreation
Ashley Medley – Twin Lakes Facility Manager	Moira Palmer – Superintendent of Finance

PUBLIC HEARING Commissioner Stoeckel made the motion seconded by Commissioner McGovern to open the Public Hearing to hear comments concerning the intent of the Board of Park Commissioner of Salt Creek Park District, to sell \$530,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds for park purposes. There being no public comments, Commissioner McGovern moved, seconded by Commissioner West, to close the Public Hearing. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Stoeckel, McGovern, Reiss, West and Nagel.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Seligmann and Mazzocchi.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA – Commissioner Stoeckel made the motion seconded by Commissioner McGovern to approve the regular Agenda of October 8th, 2024; the motion carried unanimously on an all-in favor vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Stoeckel, McGovern, Reiss, West and Nagel.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Seligmann and Mazzocchi.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Diana Nagel - Resident

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA – Commissioner Stockel motioned, seconded by Commissioner McGovern to approve the Consent Agenda, Approval of Minutes of the Regular meeting of September 10th, 2024, Warrant #6 & Prepay #6, Treasurers Report, Certificate of Payment Draw #13. The motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Stoeckel, McGovern, Reiss, West and Nagel.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Seligmann and Mazzocchi.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT – None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Executive Director - Diane Hilgers – advised Moira Palmer is here to facilitate any questions regarding the bonds and audit. Moira has also been participating in IMRF training and held the quarterly safety meeting. They will be

meeting with Chris Paisley to discuss capital plans and present them to the board in December. Director Hilgers has an upcoming meeting with the Village of Arlington Heights to discuss the rezoning of Salt Creek Lane. She circulated an updated agreement with RoccoVino that Ashley will discuss. She will be sending out correspondence regarding the upcoming IAPD conference.

Director of Parks and Planning – Chris Paisley – said they are winding down the season. Staff have been cutting back perennials, paddle boats have been removed for the season, fish stocking will take place this week and the irrigation system will be blown out later this month. ADS will be installing the security system at Rose Park. We will be taking advantage of a rebate from ComEd to re-lamp the main floor of the Sports Center with little cost to the district. The new dump truck finally came in and both fishing piers are installed at Salt Creek Lane.

Superintendent of Recreation – Jody Dodson – noted the Obstacle Course Race took place and thanked everyone who assisted. The Harvest Hayride Event will be this weekend. Kelly Smith ran her first Bingo Night, and the Halloween Party will be on October 30th. We recently booked our last vendor for the Craft Fair and will be focusing on advertising to shoppers. There will be a Schools Day Out trip on October 14th and Parents Night out on October 18th. Rentals are going strong at Rose Park with several booked for this month. Preschoolers had their annual field trip to Farmer Dan. Marketing sent out the October Newsletter with a 40% open rate. Kelly Smith met with the brochure designer and the first edits of the Spring/Summer brochure will be due at the end of this month. Signs to promote the Craft Fair have been ordered. New sponsorships secured are The Grand, Palatine Bank and Trust, Tropical Smoothie and Main Event.

Twin Lakes Facility Manager – Ashley Medley – advised RoccoVino's has adjusted their concession hours to 12-6pm. Paint Night is next week, and the Turkey Shoot is full, and we have secured new and returning sponsors. She prepared a Patio Entertainment Report comparing 2023 to 2024 listing the cost and sales and noted this year they introduced extra entertainment days that went well. We do not profit from this as it is a giving back to community event. October Fest went so well they ran out of food, pumpkins and beer. A discussion took place regarding the timing of food sales, the ordering process and possible improvements.

Sports Center General Manager – Alessandro Moraca – Director Hilgers presented his report as he had to work tonight. The MIHA tournament was last week and went well with slightly lower numbers. He has a few tournaments and birthday parties scheduled for November. The new Sports Center Website – Kreezee Sports - is up and running and is happy with the final outcome.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. **Errant Golf Ball Follow-up** – Chris Paisley advised he had reached out to an architect that was familiar with Twin Lakes Golf Course to discuss the errant golf ball situation. They suggested drafting a long-term master plan - costing \$15,000 - to re-route the course to fix other problems as well as the possibility of converting it to a 10/12-hole course. Chris said we do not need to redo the greens but rather focus on hole 5. He met with a few homeowners and the errant balls appeared to be coming from the Tee-box. A discussion took place regarding the possibility of putting in a camera as a deterrent or shortening the hole to change the trajectory of the balls. Commissioner Nagel advised the Board will hear Chris Paisley's recommendations when he brings it back to them.
- B. **Decennial Committee Meeting Final Submission Report** – Commissioner Reiss made the motion, seconded by Commissioner McGovern to approve the final draft of the Decennial document with the amendments as discussed in the prior meeting. Director Hilgers thanked residents Kathy Kotrba and Wally Kleinfeld for their time and participation. The motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:
 AYES: Commissioners Stoeckel, McGovern, Reiss, West and Nagel.
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Commissioner Seligmann and Mazzocchi.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **Approval of the Audit for 2023-2024** – Commissioner Reiss made the motion, seconded by Commissioner McGovern to approve the audit for the fiscal year 2023-2024. The motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Stoeckel, McGovern, Reiss, West and Nagel.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Seligmann and Mazzocchi.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: Commissioner Reiss asked Moira Palmer if the Board could have an updated Warrant for any prepaid checks that got run after the preliminary warrant. Commissioner Reiss had questions regarding the upcoming bond payment in December and said it costs a lot to issue the bonds and wondered if there is a way to eliminate the expense. He also had questions about the balance to finish amount and if we even have to sell the bond. Moira Palmer details the reason for the bond sales and said she will get our bond consultant to expand further.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

There being no further business, Commissioner Stoeckel made the motion, seconded by Commissioner McGovern, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:52pm. The motion was carried unanimously on a voice vote.

PATRICK MCGOVERN, SECRETARY

PAUL NAGEL, PRESIDENT