

HUNTLEY PARK DISTRICT
Regular Meeting
October 27, 2021

The October Board meeting was held at Pinecrest Golf Club. President Jerry Nepermann called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Commissioner's present included Bill Awe, Jim Blasky, Keith Wold, and Melissa Kellas. Also present were Thom Palmer, Laura Pisarcik, Paul Ostrander, Scott Crowe, Rick Walrath, Mike Williams, and John Cowlin.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Awe and seconded by Commissioner Blasky. All ayes. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the September 22, 2021, regular Board Meeting Minutes and the September 29, 2021, Special Board Meeting Minutes was made by Commissioner Kellas and seconded by Commissioner Wold. All ayes. Motion carried.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Commissioner Wold and seconded by Commissioner Kellas. All ayes. Motion carried.

Laura Pisarcik submitted bills, additions, and purchase cards totaling \$296,702.68. A motion to approve the submitted bills and additions listed above was made by Commissioner Wold and seconded by Commissioner Blasky. Roll Call: Yes - All. No - None. Motion carried.

Staff Reports - The following Department Reports were reviewed:

Finance & HR: In addition to Laura Pisarcik's submitted report, the Board congratulated Laura on earning her Certified Parks and Recreation Professional certification.

Commissioner Wold asked for an update on the raise in cost for the health insurance benefit for employees.

Parks: In addition to Paul Ostrander's submitted report, Commissioner Wold complimented Paul and his department on the praises they have received for working with other municipality partners in the community.

Recreation: In addition to Scott Crowe's submitted report, Commissioner Wold asked for clarification on the close contact protocols for participants in our programs within the schools.

Commissioner Wold also complimented the district for winning the Best of the Fox award for Deicke Park, and the results of the Fall Fest Raffle Baskets.

Commissioner Nepermann inquired about the new personal trainer on staff in fitness.

Commissioner Wold praised the new Haunted Trails event that recently took place and the efforts that went into make it a positive and popular event.

Executive Director: Thom Palmer and Scott Crowe

Golf Department Report:

In addition to Rick Walrath's submitted report, Commissioner Nepermann asked if the success Pinecrest is having is also happening at other courses. Mike Williams explained that the success can be found across the industry. Management anticipated participation to drop once activities and the state began to open again from the pandemic, and it simply has not slowed.

Commissioner Awe asked for comparisons between this era of success and the success the industry experienced in the late 80's and early 90's.

Rick Walrath commented that leaders in the industry are not expecting the "boom" that they've experienced to diminish quite as early as originally expected.

Commissioner Wold praised Rick Walrath on his PGA Master Professional certification.

New Business:

Action Item #1 - Consider date for the truth in taxation hearing

This action is necessary as a requirement of the Truth in Taxation Law 35 ILCS 200/18-55 that requires a Truth in Taxation Hearing be held, because due to new growth in Huntley, corporate staff at the district are estimating that the proposed aggregate tax levy amount will exceed 5% for next year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wold and seconded by Commissioner Kellas to schedule a public meeting for the purposes of a Truth in Taxation Hearing on November 17, 2021. All ayes. Motion carried.

Action Item #2 - Consider resolution - delegate(s) for the annual IAPD business meeting

This action will entitle the delegate to vote on matters presented during Illinois Association of Park District's (IAPD) 2022 annual business meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wold and seconded by Commissioner Kellas to appoint Commissioner Blasky as delegate and Commissioner Wold as alternate to the annual IAPD business meeting and approve the IAPD resolution as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Action Item #3 - Consider resolution for joint purchase organization

Upon learning more about the proposed golf cart transaction, the use of a joint purchase organization is not necessary for this purchase. This action will formally remove this item from New Business.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kellas and seconded by Commissioner Awe to remove the Consideration for Joint Purchase Organization from New Business. All ayes. Motion carried.

Action Item #4 - Consider golf cart lease extension

This action will allow the district to extend its current lease by foregoing our final payment and trading in its current fleet of 82 golf carts valued at \$266,500.00 and pay the remainder of the balance of \$238,603.20 over a 5-year period with Harris Golf Cars for 82 new golf carts. Quotes were received from three vendors as outlined. Because of this unique transaction, the value of the golf cars only available through the current lessee, and the anticipated loss in value of the cars over the next year combined with supply issues, the Board may waive the bid requirement for this lease extension.

A motion was made by Commissioner Awe and seconded by Commissioner Blasky to waive the bid requirements and approve the extension of the current lease with the new timeframe and amounts specified and trade-in the current fleet of golf carts to Harris Golf Cars for Pinecrest Golf Course as presented Roll Call: Yes - All. No - None. Motion carried.

Action Item #5 - Pinecrest Golf Club Update

Landscapes Golf Management updated the Board regarding the operation at the Pinecrest Golf Club. See Staff Reports. No action required.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Wold seconded by Commissioner Kellas. All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM.

These minutes are subject to approval at the next regular business meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Matt Szytz
Recording Board Secretary