

**NORTHFIELD PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2017
NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER
CONFERENCE ROOM 6:30 PM**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and a roll call was taken.

Present: Commissioners –Bickford, Knight, Klein, O’Grady, Zieziula, Bramlage, Beil

Also present staff members: Alexoff, Guillen, Byron, Reuter, Becker

Absent: Treasurer Morrell

Approval / Additions to Agenda

None

Audience Comments

None

Correspondence

None

Director’s Report

a. Special Event Discussion

2018 Summer Market / Entertainment Night

Staff met with the Village, and other local organizations to talk about the idea of partnering on the above event, both for communication and monetary support. At this time everyone has agreed to participate. Staff is moving forward with the planning of the event and foresees great interest from the vendors. This will be a three part event, Farmers Market 3:00 pm-7:00 pm, food, and Concert in the Park.

State Fair / Ribfest

This was a successful event with the largest attendance ever.

Staff is always looking to improve the event and had an open discussion with the board regarding the Rib and Pie contest, food availability, entertainment and overall community engagement. It was decided that the staff would give some thought to the items discussed and if changes are to be made, develop and send out a survey to specific residents who have attended the event in the past.

Entertainment Selection Process

The future Park District events are creating many live entertainment opportunities; therefore, staff will use an application to be filled out by entertainers wanting to perform at any of the events. A committee to evaluate the performers is getting started consisting of Park District Staff, a musician and a parks board member.

b. Informational Items

School District 29 Meeting

Director Alexoff stated that he and Commissioner O'Grady attend the first joint meeting of the year. At the meeting, a discussion took place regarding facility usage of the Sunset Ridge gym. After our meeting, the School Board discussed and approved the District's usage of the gym at Sunset Ridge School for Panther Basketball.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes 8/28/17**
- b. Approval of Cash Expenditures for Month of August 2017 (copy for review will be available at the meeting).**

Commissioner Bickford made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Klein seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting Aye: Commissioners: Bickford, Knight, Klein, O'Grady
Zieziula, Bramlage, Beil

Voting Nay: Commissioners: None

Absent: Commissioner: None **Abstain: Commissioners:** None

Motion passed

Agency Reports

a. Finance

Director Alexoff reported that we are tracking well so far.

b. Recreation / Park Grounds and Facility

Superintendent Byron highlighted some items from the recreation report as follows:

- Staff received the 2nd estimate for the Pickle Ball court project. The lower of the two bids was \$18,700 and staff recommends accepting it.
- A new message center board for Clarkson will be installed near the playground.
- School District snow removal agreement will soon be finalized
- Before School Rec is running with 16 kids total
- After School Rec has 3-K & 10- 1st graders
- Panther Basketball has one team made up of 12 boys
- Fitness fee increases took effect in September with an added junior membership with hours restrictions
- The parks are in full use
- Rentals are very steady
- Social media accounts continue to grow - over 500 likes
- New adult programming has started

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Knight made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Commissioner O'Grady seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting Aye: Commissioners: Bickford, Knight, Klein, O'Grady
Zieziula, Bramlage, Beil,

Voting Nay: Commissioners: None

Absent: Commissioners: None **Abstain: Commissioners:** None
Motion passed