

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Of the Zion Park District, Lake County, Illinois
Held at the Leisure Center in said District at 7:00pm
On the 21st day of November 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera, and Pye were present. Also, present for the meeting were Executive Director Bradley, Superintendent of Recreation Petersen, Community Relation Manager Wertman, Superintendent of Parks Chirchirillo, Parks Arborist Priller, and Golf Operations Assistant Manager Kaneko.

There were no guests in attendance.

Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Pye, made a motion to approve the minutes as presented of the Regular meeting held on October 17, 2024, and the minutes of the Personnel and Finance Sub-committee meeting also held on October 17, 2024.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera, and Pye voted aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Pye, seconded by Commissioner Magiera, made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera, and Pye voted aye. Motion carried.

There were no reports from the district's attorneys.

Commissioners Comments: Commissioners Pye and Fermaint commented on attending the Mayor's luncheon at Illinois Beach State Park. Commissioner Magiera commented on how nice the ribbon cutting ceremony was at Shiloh Park and really liked that Joyce Mason attended and was presented the plaque for securing funding for the playground.

The District's finances were presented by Executive Director Bradley during the Personnel and Finance sub-committee meeting that was held immediately prior to the board meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, to approve the month's expenditures, as listed, in the amount of \$1,347,783.47 for the month of October 2024.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera, and Pye voted aye. Motion carried.

A written report that highlighted the month's activities was submitted to the Board prior to the meeting by Executive Director Bradley. Trail of Treats was a very successful event again this year. Shiloh Pool lifeguards received the Silver Award for safety from Ellis for the 2024 season. Golf courses will now be starting winter projects due to the courses being shut down to golfers. The Park District has received a forestry grant for \$30,000 to inventory trees in Shiloh Park. Arborist Priller helped secure the funds and has applied for a second phase of funding to actively care for the trees. Priller explained that thirty-one rotten and dead red and white oaks have been removed from Shiloh Park this year due to disease.

New Business:

A motion was made by Commission Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to approve the Federal Supply quote for Shepherd's Crook golf course kitchen equipment in the amount of \$56,715.60. The equipment was procured through the PCA intergovernmental purchasing cooperative as authorized by the Illinois Governmental Joint Purchasing Act.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera, and Pye voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Magiera, to approve the quote from MCR Well & Pump for the irrigation well for Shiloh Golf Course in the amount of \$11,750. The well was approved by both the City of Zion and Lake County Health Dept.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera, and Pye voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to approve Ordinance #915, fiscal year 2025-2026 Tax Levy. The estimate shows a less than five percent increase over the current year and will be the District's lowest tax rate in the last ten years. The Park District remains less than 7% of a resident's total tax bill.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera, and Pye voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to approve Ordinance # 916 to abate the property tax levied for year 2024 to pay the principal and interest on General Obligation Park Bonds Series 2024A, General Obligation Park Bonds, Series 2024B and General Obligation Park Bonds, Series 2024C, of the Zion Park District.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera, and Pye voted aye. Motion carried.

Executive Director Bradley explained the Illinois Association of Park Districts' Annual Business meeting. Director Bradley will be the delegate for the District. Commissioner Pye will serve as first alternate with Commissioner Carlson as second alternate and Commissioner Fermaint as third alternate. Commissioner Pye, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, made a motion to approve the District's delegates for the IAPD Annual Business meeting.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera and Pye voted aye. Motion carried.

At 8:10pm a motion was made by Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of the Board discussing employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of employees pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera and Pye voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 8:31pm

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Pye, seconded by Commissioner Magiera,
Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Fermaint, Magiera, and Pye voted
aye. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:32pm

Kay Petersen
Assistant Secretary