

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 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025

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, Ranger Chief Murphey, Ranger Martinez, and Accounting Manager Taylor.

Zion resident Kenny Mason was a guest in attendance.

Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Pye, made a motion to approve the minutes as presented of the Regular meeting held on February 20, 2025, and the minutes of the Personnel and Finance Sub-committee meeting also held on February 20, 2025.

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

Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Pye, 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 Carlson how nice Shiloh Park turned out. Commissioner Pye commented that he attended the IAPD Legislative Breakfast in Vernon Hills. It was a very nice event and thanked everyone for the opportunity to attend. Commissioner Fermaint commented that he would like to see a long-term plan for the lake front.

The District's budgets were presented by Executive Director Bradley during the Budget Session Meeting that was held immediately prior to the board meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to approve the month's expenditures, as listed, in the amount of \$348,269.09 for the month of February 2025.

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. Overall, moving customer service downstairs at the Leisure Center has been going very well. On April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> the IAPD Legislative Conference will take place in Springfield. If any commissioners want to attend please let Bradley know. This conference is a great way to understand IAPD advocacy programs and meet legislators. The youth basketball league finished with a pizza party and awards ceremony for the families. We will be putting up signage on the courts at Shiloh Park and other court areas throughout the District. The sign will have the rules to follow and how to contact the Park District if patrons need assistance. David Osborne received a community award at Zion District 6 middle school Black History Program. Christine is working on a Parks Amenity map that will be ready for the community to have on hand. The Black History Program in partnership with the

High School was a great success. District Arborist Mike Priller has been working on a grant with Tress Forever for \$30,000. This grant is currently on pause due to turmoil with Federal funding grants in Washington.

New Business:

Chief Ranger Murphey presented the Park Ranger 2024 Annual Report. Highlighting the increase in and calls for services in the community. Also pointed out that the District has 60% lower claims than the average in PRDMA risk pool. Chief Murphy spoke to the Ranger Department striving to be ambassadors for the community to help keep it safe.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to approve the purchase of a 2025 AWD Ford Explorer Hybrid through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts VEHI10 Contract that satisfy competitive bidding requirements with police package added by Dana Safety Supply for \$62,406.00.

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 the change order #1131513 for Landworks in the amount of \$41,536.80 for the electrical feed repair and new panel in David Park.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Carlson and seconded by Commissioner Magiera to remove the lookout platform at Hosah Park due to erosion causing structural concerns and unsafe conditions.

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 Carlson, to approve the Game Time quote to replace playground equipment at Salem Play Area in the amount of \$87,499.53 through the Sourcewell intergovernmental purchasing cooperative as authorized by the Illinois Government 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 Pye, to approve the quote to replace the asphalt roof, fascia and gutters at Shiloh garage from Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$54,281.68 through the Omnia Partner's 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.

At 7:56pm a motion was made by Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, 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 the Executive Session at 8:34 pm.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to approve staff merit raise pool up to 4%.

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

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Fermaint, seconded by Commissioner Magiera.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 pm

Kay Petersen  
Assistant Secretary