

Calumet Memorial Park District

Board of Commissioners

Regular Monthly Board Meeting

November 7, 2023

President Pierce called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Commissioner Pierce, Commissioner Evans, Commissioner Miller, Hollice Clark, Paul Nowakowski, Treasurer John Kasperek, Attorney Vlado Vranjes, Recording Secretary/Consultant, Charles L. Dockery

A motion was made by Commissioner Edward Evans and seconded by Stan Miller to allow Commissioner Nyota Figgs to participate via teams because of a personal medical issue. **Roll Call: Evans, Yes, Miller Yes, Pierce Yes. Motion carried.**

Commissioner Figgs was present via teams.

Absent : Commissioner Erica Jenkins

Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Commissioner Evans

Public Comments – None

Approval of Minutes

President Pierce made a consolidated motion to approve the budget hearing meeting minutes from June 28, 2023, approve the regular monthly board meeting minutes from the June 28, 2023, and to approve the BINA hearing minutes from September 20, 2023. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. **(4-0) Pierce Yes Evans Yes Figgs Yes Miller Yes**

Approval of Bond Ordinance and Tax anticipation Ordinance

Commissioner Miller motioned to approve ordinance No. 23-0-07, an ordinance providing for the issue of not to exceed \$950,000 General Obligation limited tax bonds, series 2023 of the Calumet Memorial Park District, Cook County Illinois, and providing for the levy of direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. **(4-0) Miller Yes Evans Yes Figgs Yes Pierce Yes**

Commissioner Miller motioned to approve ordinance No. 23-0-08, an ordinance authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$1,800,000 taxable tax anticipation warrants in anticipation of the collection of taxes levied for tax year 2023, by the Calumet Memorial Park District, Cook

County, Illinois. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (4-0) **Miller Yes Evans Yes Figgs Yes Pierce Yes**

Motion to Establish Consent Agenda

Commissioner Evans made a motion to establish a consent agenda to include:

- a. Approval of Resolution No. 23-R-5 a resolution to the Calumet Memorial Park District forgiving various interfund advances between the general fund and the capital projects fund.
- b. A motion to accept and approve the preliminary estimate of the 2023 property tax levy (collected in 2024) in accordance with the truth in taxation law of Illinois. For the record, **please note that the 2022 Extended tax levy amount is \$2,466,745 with a 4.99% increase which comes out to be \$123,089 bringing the 2023 proposed tax levy to \$2,589,834.**
- c. Approval of treasurer's report for July 2023, August 2023, and September 2023.
- d. Approval of bills for July, August, September 2023, and October 2023 for Calumet Memorial Park District.
- e. Approval of payroll for July, August, September, and October of 2023 for the Calumet Memorial Park District.
- f. Acceptance and approval of the repair and refurbishment of the Sandridge Community & Fitness Center gym floor to be performed by Kiefer USA after competitive bidding through Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing for the estimated amount of \$87,440.
- g. Acceptance and approval of the proposal and estimate to paint Sandridge Community and Fitness Center gym to be performed by Prism Commercial Painting and Decorating, LLC for an estimated amount of \$29,390.
- h. Approve a change in the job title of the Superintendent of Parks and Maintenance to Director of Parks and Maintenance.
- i. Approve sending of staff and commissioners to the annual IAPD/IPRA conference on January 25 through 27, 2024 in Chicago, IL.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (4-0) **Evans Yes Miller Yes Figgs Yes Pierce Yes**

Motion to approve consent agenda.

Commissioner Evans motioned to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (4-0) **Evans Yes Miller Yes Figgs Yes Pierce Yes**

Motion to approve any items removed from the consent agenda. (none)

Commissioner Figgs motioned to move item number 13 up on the agenda. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (4-0) **Figgs Yes Evans Yes Miller Yes Pierce Yes**

Potential Action from Closed Session

Commissioner Evans motioned to approve resolution No 23-R-6, a collective bargaining agreement between the Service Employees International Union, Local 73 and the Calumet Memorial Park District. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (4-0) **Evans Yes Miller Yes Figgs Yes Pierce Yes**

Unfinished Business – Discussion and potential action may be taken related to these items.

- a. The appointment of commissioners to committees was tabled until the next meeting.
- b. The discussion of Ordinance No 2023-02, an ordinance fixing the length of time a park district commissioner may fail to attend regular meetings of the park board for such commissioner's office to be declared vacant and providing a procedure for declaring such vacancy was tabled until the next meeting.

Commissioner Figgs motioned to table items A & B under unfinished business to the next meeting. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (4-0) **Figgs Yes Miller Yes Evans Yes Pierce Yes**

New Business

- a. Executive Hollice Clark recommended that the district not allow renters to charge admission fees. The attorney suggested that the park district must have a policy in regard to renters being allowed to charge admission fees.
- b. Executive Hollice Clark suggested that two board members join a committee to provide input on the 2024 budget or that we have a budget workshop for the entire board. President Pierce suggested that all commissioners need to be involved. Executive Director Clark stated that this is what we were going to do.
- c. President Pierce motioned that Hollice Clark be appointed as a delegate to the IAPD annual board meeting on January 27, 2024, at the conference. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (4-0) **Pierce Yes Miller Yes Figgs Yes Evan Yes**

Commissioner Pierce motioned that the meeting be adjourned at 6:45 p.m. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (4-0) Pierce Yes Evans Yes Figs Yes Miller Yes

 12/20/23

Yvette "Tekie" Pierce Date

Board President

 12/20/23

Hollice Clark III Date

Board Secretary