

**Bensenville Park District
Board of Park Commissioners
Special Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 7, 2023**

1. Call to Order

President Johnson called the Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll call was taken:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Gibbs	X	
Hernandez	X	
Johnson	X	
Karg	X	
Snyder	X	

Staff in attendance: Joe Vallez, Executive Director and Mary Dickson, Park District Attorney

2. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Commissioner Snyder, seconded by Commissioner Karg to approve the Agenda.

On a roll call vote:

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Gibbs	X		
Hernandez	X		
Johnson	X		
Karg	X		
Snyder	X		

Motion carried.

3. Recognition of Visitors/Public Comment

No public comment was received.

4. Staff Reports

A. Executive Director Reports

Executive Director Vallez reported on items set forth in his written report, attached to the agenda. Commissioner questions/discussion on items reported included:

- Director Vallez reported he is working on the permitting process for the Kaboom park. The District needs a special use permit for the playground, and once that is approved a building permit application can be submitted.
- Director Vallez reported meeting with the representative of the petroleum utility easement regarding the Kaboom project, and all concerns have been addressed.

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- Commissioner Snyder commented on some areas of the pool where the footings are abrasive. Director Vallez reported these will be taken care of in remediation, which is being done in phases.
- Commissioner Snyder questioned the demolition of the building on the White Pines property, which currently houses the well for irrigation of the golf course. Director Vallez reported staff is reviewing how best to provide for demolition and to protect the well. Staff is also working on installation of a permanent water line to the tent.
- In discussion on the status of White Pines, Director Vallez stated work is underway to create curb appeal. In response to a question about the condition of the cart paths, Director Vallez stated they require further study.
- Following the report on the first meeting of the Friends of the Parks Board, Commissioner Hernandez was asked whether he would like to be on the Friends of the Parks Board, he declined at this time. The goal of the Foundation is to raise \$50,000 through a grant from Subaru, the Golf Outing and the planned Fish Boil at Fischer Farm.
- President Johnson reported on a communication from a resident who was unhappy with the state of Fischer Farm. He stated she visited again, and was very complimentary, which prompted kudos to Ms. Shiel for the work she is doing at the Farm.
- Commissioner Karg complimented Phyllis Schmidt for the excellent job she did regarding parade participation.

5. Action Item

A. Annual Nomination and Election of Officers for the Bensenville Park Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Gibbs moved, seconded by Commissioner Karg to elect by acclamation all Commissioners to the offices they currently hold for the coming year.

On a roll call vote:

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Gibbs	X			
Hernandez	X			
Johnson	X			
Karg	X			
Snyder	X			

Motion carried.

B. Board Appointments

Commissioner Snyder moved, seconded by Commissioner Karg to approve the appointments of the following Commissioners and staff to the positions as follows:

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Chamber of Commerce – Commissioner Karg
BBAA – Leslie DeMoss and Louis Aquinaga
NEDSRA – Phyllis Schmidt
Community Foundation – Commissioner Karg
Village Liaison – Commissioner Snyder

6. Closed Session

There was no Closed Session.

7. Adjournment

Prior to adjournment, Commissioners discussed the receipt of the appraisal for the 505 Chamberlain building. Counsel will provide them as copy.

Commissioner Hernandez moved, seconded by Commissioner Gibbs, to adjourn the meeting.

On a roll call vote:

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Gibbs	X			
Hernandez	X			
Johnson	X			
Karg	X			
Snyder	X			

Motion carried.

The meeting stands adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Approved:

President Rich Johnson

Secretary