

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF DECATUR PARK  
DISTRICT, MACON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD AT  
DECATUR PARK DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE  
620 E. RIVERSIDE AVENUE, DECATUR, ILLINOIS  
AT 12:00 NOON ON THE 7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2018**

The Board of Park Commissioners of Decatur Park District, Macon County, Illinois, met in a regular session on Wednesday, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018 at the hour of 12:00 Noon at the Decatur Park District Administration Office, 620 E. Riverside Avenue, Decatur, Illinois at which time and place there were present the following officers and members of said Board:

Bob Brilley, II, President  
Chris Harrison, Vice President  
Chris Riley, Commissioner  
Stacey Young, Commissioner  
Jack Kenny, Commissioner

A quorum of the members of the Board of Park Commissioners being present, President Brilley called the meeting to order and declared the Board to be in session for the transaction of business.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was recited.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Marge Evans expressed her interest in the Girl Scout Camp and does not want the City or Park District to do any logging in that area. She appreciates the natural environment and believes there are rare orchids on that land. She has helped with the cleanup of honeysuckle and looks forward to doing so again this year.

**NO. 15798** A motion to approve items 1 – 2 on the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Riley and seconded by Commissioner Young. All voted aye.

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
2. Bills for Approval

**BOND RATING PRESENTATION** CFO Buhr introduced Dan Forbes from Speer Financial, who presented the results from three 2018 General Obligation bond sales.

Mr. Forbes explained that there was a good bidder turnout in the three bond sales this year despite the volatile market conditions. There were seven bidders for Issue A with Park Ridge Community Bank, Park Ridge, IL being the low bid. The recommendation was to accept the bid from Park Ridge Community Bank with a true interest rate of 2.30%. There were three bidders for Issue B, with Hickory Point & Trust, Decatur, IL being the low bid. The recommendation was to accept the bid from Hickory Point & Trust with a true interest

rate of 2.4010%. There were six bidders for Taxable Issue C, with Hickory Point & Trust, Decatur, IL being the low bid. The recommendation was to accept the bid from Hickory Point & Trust with a true interest rate of 3.05%.

**NO. 15799** A motion was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve Ordinance No. 2018-2 providing for the issue of approximately \$476,000 General Obligation Airport Bonds, Series 2018A as stated. Upon call of the roll, all voted aye.

**NO. 15800** A motion was made by Commissioner Riley and seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve Ordinance No. 2018-3 providing for the issue of approximately \$3,936,000 General Obligation Park Bonds, Series 2018B as stated. All voted aye upon call of the roll.

**NO. 15801** A motion was made by Commissioner Kenny and seconded by Commissioner Riley to approve Ordinance No. 2018-4 providing for the issue of approximately \$287,350 Taxable General Obligation Refunding Park Bonds, Series 2018C as stated. Upon call of the roll, all voted aye.

**NO. 15802** Kim Belcher and Ron Moore provided an update of the Izaak Walton League of America and seek approval of the land lease agreement. This nonprofit organization currently has 45 sites with approximately 120 people. The members maintain the buildings and grounds and keep them clean. The one-year agreement includes a 2% increase. A motion was made by Commissioner Riley and seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the land lease agreement as presented. All voted aye on call of the roll.

**NO. 15803** Staff recommended rejecting the bids received for 60 golf carts. Staff presented a comparison of carbureted vs. fuel-injected golf carts, which are more cost-effective. Upon approval, staff will rebid the purchase of 60 golf carts. A motion was made by Commissioner Kenny and seconded by Commissioner Riley to reject the golf cart bids. Upon call of the roll, all voted aye.

**NO. 15804** In conjunction with the District-wide phone equipment upgrade, a cable upgrade from CAT5 (used for the computer network) to CAT6 is also necessary. A second CAT6 cable will be used for the new internet-based telephone system. The upgrade will enable increased data traffic and improve network reliability. Staff recommends approval of the quote from MCS Office Technologies in the amount of \$34,709.57. Funds for the telephone system replacement are included in the capitals approved for 2018. A motion was made by Commissioner Riley and seconded by Commissioner Kenny to approve the network communications upgrade as stated. All voted aye on call of the roll.

**NO. 15805** Staff recommended approval of a two-year lease agreement with Cape Air for the airline counter, office space, and security area. Base rent will be \$2,125 monthly, plus monthly passenger fees. The contract mirrors the DOT standard contract. A motion was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Kenny to approve the Lease Agreement with Cape Air as presented. Upon call of the roll, all voted aye.

**NO. 15806** Staff recommended concurrence with the State of Illinois award for Project 4497: rehabilitation of a portion of pavement around hangar row G. This project was rebid by the Division of Aeronautics due to the previous contractor rejecting the State contract. There were eight bidders, with Otto Baum Company being the lowest. The estimated amount for the project is \$337,986.00, with the Federal portion being \$320,652.00, State portion \$8,667.00, and Park District portion \$8,667.00. This project is in the capital budget. A motion was made by Commissioner Harrison and seconded by Commissioner Riley to approve the low bid by Otto Baum Company. All voted aye on call of the roll.

**RECREATION** Last Saturday, the local Disc Golf Club had an “ice tournament” with 20 teams participating.

In an effort to regain interest in rock wall climbing, Little Rockers and Rock Stars classes begin tonight. There are seven kids signed up for the younger class and five in the older.

The lacrosse pilot program with DPS #61 started this week and will run through February 21. The four participating schools (Dennis, Garfield, Johns Hill and South Shores) are excited for this opportunity. This grant program includes a curriculum that gets the P.E. teachers involved.

The first Senior Olympics will be held in Decatur during the month of April. Men and women aged 50+ will compete in one or more of 14 different events. This would be good practice for those participating in the Senior Olympics in Springfield in September.

**GOLF** There has been no winter golf played in the month of January and none so far in February. The golf room at the DISC has daily play.

The Ameren pipeline replacement project at Red Tail Run should be completed on time for the course to open on March 1.

All 17 of the tee signs from Scovill Golf Course have been sold.

Junior golf at the DISC has higher numbers than previous years.

**AIRPORT** Aircraft landings and take offs are up 20% at Decatur Airport. In 2016, there were 39,858 operations and for 2017 the total operations were 41,014.

**OPERATIONS** Staff remodeled an office at the Administration building and worked on an addition to the monkey exhibit at Scovill Zoo. The electrician replaced lights at the ARC. The parks department continues with repairs and painting to equipment, trailers, tables, and benches and completing general cleanup in parks.

The walls are poured for the concession/restroom area at the amphitheater. They are working on sound and electrical services, as well. A lot of the dirt that has been removed will be spread back around the site.

**CHIEF CULP** Officers are busy with training right now.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** There is a need for a closed session to discuss the sale or lease of real estate.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**Commissioner Young** saw photos from the Father/Daughter Dance. Kudos to staff for a very nice event. Director Gower shared that it was sold out.

Commissioner Riley made and Commissioner Harrison seconded a motion that the Board move into Executive Session to discuss the sale or lease of real estate. All voted aye and the meeting moved into closed session at approximately 1:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Riley to adjourn the closed session and return to open session was seconded by Commissioner Harrison and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Kenny to adjourn the meeting and was unanimously approved.

/s/ Bob Brilley, II  
President, Board of Park Commissioners

/s/ Amanda M. Childress  
Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners