

Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District

June 15, 2021 7:00 p.m. Remote Online

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

President Young called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Dusenbury, Kasnick, Stender, and Achziger, Holly Campbell, a Des Moines resident, District General Manager Deschenes and District Clerk Linda Ray.

Commissioner Stender was absent and excused.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Commissioner Kasnick led the flag salute.

ADOPTION/MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA

President Young called for adoption of the agenda. Commissioner Achziger so moved; Commissioner Dusenbury 2nd, Adopted 4-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS -- None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Holly Campbell who is running for Commissioner Position #2 in the November election, introduced herself and is looking for a way to support the Des Moines community by participating as a Commissioner on the District Board. She and her family are patrons of the Mt. Rainier Pool.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Achziger moved to approve the Consent Agenda including the vouchers and electronic transfer requests processed in May 2021 totaling \$86,973.72. Commissioner Dusenbury 2nd. The motion passed 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Transition /Re-opening Update

District General Manager Deschenes gave an update in presentation form which is on file. There are many changes coming back to normal operations pre-COVID that are expected to go into effect on July 1st. Masks will still be required of unvaccinated individuals using the pool facility.

Swim lessons starting on July 5th will be for five children in the water with no adults. Practice cards will return giving parents and children five times to practice before you take a lesson.

Open swims will remain on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Diving boards will also be open. Mt. Rainier Pool swim club which is a home grown team for children 9 years to 13 years will practice on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

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To enhance our community's quality of life by providing access to and promoting participation in aquatics programs

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A lifeguard prep class will be held for 14 to 18 year olds. The majority of kids are from Des Moines. This class will start on July 21st.

Saturday \$1.00 swims will return with Wibit on the 3rd Saturday of each month.

Locker rooms and showers will no longer be restricted. Other changes will be made as state directives dictate.

Staff recruitment and training is occurring for a full week. The Aquatic Coordinator, Quentin Knox is taking registrations for a new lifeguard class. He is hoping for 10 individuals to register. There are presently three staff members with LGI certifications who will in turn provide training to other interested staff members.

The DGM reported that there have been no qualified applicants for the Education and Safety Training Specialist position. He will continue to post the position.

Plumbing repairs were made by Aquatic Specialty. During the closure starting August 15th, diving board resurfacing and installation of ADA stairs.

b. King County Youth Amateur Sports Grant

District General Manager Deschenes reported that when programming was drafted for the Mt. Rainier Pool Swim Team and Lifeguarding Prep Class, it was decided to provide those at no cost as a way to build momentum for future use of community-based programs. After the programs were drafted, he was contacted by Butch Lovelace at King County Parks and Recreation who stated through a clerical error, the District should have received a \$5,000 scholarship to be applied towards those programs.

An invoice was sent to King County for the grant funds and we should receive a check before the end of the month.

c. ADA Stair Replacement

A stair replacement project was budged for in 2018 but was postponed. The new stairs will have a platform and will have sides on it to prevent anyone in the pool from going underneath and not being spotted by a lifeguard. Because the tax funding was already paid in 2018, the DGM is asking the Board for permission to proceed with this project.

Commissioner Achziger moved to approve purchase of ADA stairs and platform with a not to exceed of \$10,000. Commissioner Kasnick 2nd. Passed 4-0.

d. Parking Lot Gates Project

The DGM stated that his original estimate on this pre-COVID project was underestimated. In the first quarter of 2020, we received a grant from WCIA for \$3,390 to cover half of the cost of the original estimate. Since that time, the City of Des Moines discovered a right of way issue because of the distance from the street. That issue has been resolved and we now have a permit to proceed with the project. The estimate for the project was revised to include vactoring and concrete work. He will have the new proposal ready for review by the August 17th regular meeting.

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NEW BUSINESS

a. July Retreat Scheduling

The Board members are available on July 6th at 7:00 p.m. and so a 2nd quarter retreat was scheduled. Stemper Architecture will provide information to discuss the future of the facility building. Also on the agenda, the Highline School District lease which has been extended a year, and lastly, goal setting as previously presented by the Public Outreach Committee.

A discussion ensued regarding the District office and whether or not it should be vacated. Both the District General Manager and the District Clerk have been successfully working remotely for the most part for 16 months due to COVID and make trips into the office as needed. Relinquishing the office space and associated equipment, will save a considerable sum of money.

As in-person Board meetings resume, it will be necessary to find meeting venues that can accommodate the Board and the public. The District General Manager will research and report back at the July 6th retreat.

d. Surplus Process

During COVID closures, inventory tracking of capital assets and pool equipment was a low priority. An inventory list was developed in 2019 and it was determined at that time that some of the items were not operable or recoverable. Everything in question was put into storage for evaluation at a later time. The DGM's goal is to work through a process and have things ready for disposal during the week of August 15th. Pictures of items for surplus will be taken and each item will be recorded in accordance with our Policy 555-Capitals Assets. An affidavit of destruction or disposition will be required for disposal of items.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Commissioner Achziger announced the "Running of the Flags" event which started on June 5th and will go through July 5th. It is sponsored by Destination Des Moines.

District General Manager Deschenes and District Clerk Ray will work through a Public Records Request at the office tomorrow. It is due on Friday, June 18th.

President Young mentioned that he is enjoying the family swims at the pool on Saturday mornings.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 pm.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- July 6, 2021, Retreat Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Location TBD
- July 20, 2021, Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Location TBD

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Respectfully submitted by Linda Ray, District Clerk.

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