

Lincoln Park District
Park Administration Building
1400 Railer Way
Lincoln, IL 62656
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Agenda

October 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

****Held in the Board Room****

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call.
3. Public Hearing: Conduct a Public Hearing for the issuance of General Obligation Limited Park Bonds for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District, for the payment of outstanding obligations of the District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto.
4. Recognition of Visitor(s).
5. Accounts Payable.
6. Cash Flow Report.
7. Director's Report.
8. Operation Supervisor's Report.
9. Program Coordinator's Report.
10. Fitness Manager's Report.
11. Communications / Correspondence.
12. Unfinished Business:
 - A. Capital Improvements:
 - 1) Roof Project.
 - 2) Solar Project.
 - 3) Lehn & Fink Park Improvement Project.
 - B. Aquatic Center.
 - C. County Ice Rink & Intergovernmental Agreement.
13. New Business.
 - A. Spring 2023 Election of 2 Commissioners.
 - B. Fiscal Year 2023 Tax Levy.
 - C. Fiscal Year 2023 Budget & Appropriation.
14. Executive Session.
15. Adjournment.
16. Next Meeting: November 9, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF
THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE
LINCOLN PARK DISTRICT, LOGAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS
TO SELL \$740,000 PARK BONDS**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lincoln Park District, Logan County, Illinois (the "*District*"), will hold a public hearing on the 12th day of October, 2022, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. The hearing will be held at the Park Administration Building, 1400 Railer Way, Lincoln, Illinois. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments on the proposal to sell bonds in the amount of \$740,000 for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District, for the payment of outstanding obligations of the District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto.

By order of the President of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Lincoln Park District, Logan County, Illinois.

DATED the 15th day of September, 2022.

Angela Coombs
Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners,
Lincoln Park District, Logan County, Illinois

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING AT 5:30 PM & REGULAR MEETING AT 6:00 PM
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CALL TO ORDER – At 5:30 PM, Don Peasley called to order a special meeting of the Lincoln Park District Board of Commissioners to discuss which plan to present at the Public Hearing for the OSLAD Grant application.

ROLL CALL – Commissioners attending were Don Peasley, Gary Nodine, Dave Perring, Laura Duffer, and Bob Thomas. None were absent. Attending from the Park District were Becky Strait, Vern Haseley, and Angie Coombs. Allison Baker and Jennifer Prather were absent.

Becky began the meeting stating that due to recent information received, the plans for improving Lehn & Fink park needed to be reconsidered. Tod Stanton, of Design Perspectives, was participating via a Zoom meeting displayed via projector. Becky expressed her desire to adapt the timeline to accommodate the change in funding projections. Dave inquired as to how much had been spent to date on the project, which Becky verified that the Lincoln Memorial Hospital split the design cost of \$15,000, and Angie informed the Board that the invoice for the soil / topographic survey costs were included in the current Accounts Payable in the amount of \$12,600. Becky presented a few options for the Board to consider as the plan to be presented in the upcoming Public Hearing. Tod Stanton recommended using Phase 2 of whichever Option chosen to be used for the OSLAD grant application.

Option#1

- Phase 1: Upgrade playground for a new unit at the cost of \$190,000, which would include costs of including removal and some landscaping after installation for a total of \$380,000 - \$400,000. (Spring 2023)
- Phase 2: Install the proposed pump track, splash pad, walking path, restrooms, sand volleyball, and parking lot, which would cost around \$920,000, with possible OSLAD grant funding to assist with up to 50% or \$460,000 of the project (2024-2025).
- Becky then presented a chart detailing how the costs were expected to affect the Capital Improvement Fund over the next few years.

Bob inquired on the odds of receiving OSLAD funding for this project, which Becky relayed Tod's opinion that LPD has a fair chance and added that the current topographic survey will only speed up the process. Angie explained that the previous application was denied due to infrastructure improvements (parking lot upgrade) being too high of a percentage of the project compared to adding recreational amenities. Both options focus on adding amenities for young teens, with some minimal infrastructure work. Vern asked if the application could be withdrawn, which Tod verified that it can be, but could hurt future applications if too many withdrawn from the same entity. Tod explained that the Board needed to decide if the project would be scheduled at the right time, for the right amount of money and the right kind of community development.

Option#2

- Phase 1: Upgrade the playground for a smaller option than presented in the first option, which would cost around \$365,000. (Spring 2023)
- Phase 2: Install the splash pad, pump track, walking path, restrooms, and parking lot, which would cost approximately \$890,000, with possibly a \$445,000 OSLAD grant. (2024-2025)

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Option#3

- Phase#1: Install a scaled down option of a pump track, which would entail moving the existing playground and cost around \$387,000. (Spring 2023)
- Phase#2: Install the splash pad, walking path, restrooms, sand volleyball and parking lot for \$695,000, with possibly a \$347,500 OLSAD grant. (2024-2025)

Becky finished her presentation and asked for any questions or comments. Bob inquired about the playground cost in Option#2, which was verified to be \$74,199, plus installation fees. Becky explained that playground equipment is currently on sale and options presented are roughly \$20,000 (option#2) and \$40,000 (option#1) cheaper than the full list price. Also, Becky explained that cheaper options are less ADA accessible. Gary inquired if the ADA accessibility would be an issue. Tod stated that even though the playground equipment's ADA accessibility was determined by the manufacturers, his team could design the area to allow routes for ADA access to features and activities. Laura questioned if it would be appropriate to apply for OSLAD funds for the entire project, not just phase 2, and if denied readdress the plan to reapply next year. Tod explained that the entire project could be used for the application, or it can be scaled down so that only parts of the project would be included, as is proposed. Tod continued to explain that the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) now awards half of the grant funds up front and the remainder at the end of the project. Dave expressed his concern about spending so much money on such a small park on the edge of town. Laura stated her preference to apply for the grant with the entire project, not just a certain phase.

Dave stated his preference to upgrade a different park. Laura suggested tabling the application until the next year. Gary stated that the public is already aware that the Board is looking to make improvements at Lehn & Fink park, and that it would not look the best to delay the project. Laura Duffer made the motion to apply for the OSLAD grant funding with for the entire Lehn & Fink Park Improvement plan. Bob Thomas moved to second the motion, which failed to pass with one (1) yes and four (4) no votes. Dave Perring made the motion to table the discussion until next year, to allow further discussion about the plans. The motion was seconded by Bob Thomas. The motion passed with four (4) yes and one (1) no vote.

ADJOURNMENT: Seeing that the time was 6:07p.m., Laura Duffer moved to adjourn the Special Meeting, which was seconded by Dave Perring. The motion passed after a unanimous, roll-call vote. Adjournment: 6:07 P.M.

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CALL TO ORDER – At 6:08 PM, Don Peasley called to order the Lincoln Park District Board of Commissioners' monthly business meeting.

ROLL CALL – Commissioners attending were Don Peasley, Gary Nodine, Dave Perring, Laura Duffer, and Bob Thomas. None were absent. Attending from the Park District were Becky Strait, Vern Haseley, Allison Baker, Jennifer Prather, and Angie Coombs. None were absent.

PUBLIC HEARING - At 6:08 PM, Don Peasley opened the floor for the public hearing to discuss the next item on the agenda:

Proposal to apply for the Open Space Land Acquisition & Development (OSLAD) Grant for the Fiscal Year of 2023.

Don announced that the Board decided to table the application until the Fiscal Year 2024, and since there were no visitors present to discuss the matter, the public hearing was closed without any discussion or questions.

VISITORS – David Pistorious, of First Midstate, Inc., greeted the Board and informed them that it was time to begin the annual process of selling General Obligation Bonds, which LPD uses to pay the 2014 Debt Certificate and fund Capital Improvement projects. Mr. Pistorious has been with First Midstate for 24 years and brought with him a letter of engagement, which needed to be signed to contract his company to be the Underwriters of LPD's Bond process. As the underwriter, LPD allows First Midstate permission to engage in conversations with the pertinent parties to facilitate the bond sale. Mr. Pistorious explained that underwriters are not to be considered Financial Advisors. Part of the process also includes hiring Chapman & Cutler, who collaborate with First Midstate, Inc., to navigate the bond sale process legally. As part of the presentation, Mr. Pistorious explained that the existing tax caps do not allow the annual levy to exceed the \$764,889 limit. The process includes a public hearing in October as the next step. Bob inquired if the public hearing could affect the outcome of the bond sale process, which was verified to be negative, as it allows a chance for members of the community to be heard if they have any opinions on the matter. The next step would be for the Board to adopt the annual Bond Ordinance at the regular November meeting. Mr. Pistorious explained that the rates must be current at the time of the sale, so the rates presented may not be the actual rates come November. Usually, the rates used are those posted 7-10 prior to the adoption of the ordinance and closing would then take place around 3 weeks from adoption. Mr. Pistorious pointed out a chart that detailed the tax rates by funds comparing the previous 3 years for each. Also, the fact that the 2014 Debt Certificate only has 2 principal payments left. The recommended bond amount was listed at \$740,000, with a slight increase for issuance, which would bring the LPD proceeds to be \$707,000. Mr. Pistorious ended his presentation with a prediction that the rates will increase by the November issuance, which would be detailed in the sale circular. Mr. Pistorious thanked the Board for their time before exiting the meeting.

MINUTES OF MEETING – Minutes of the August 10th, 2022, meeting were presented. Don asked if there were any questions, comments, or suggested changes.

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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – The operating expenses were submitted for approval in the following funds:

GENERAL	-	\$	14,664.55
RECREATION	-	\$	14,884.78
CAPITAL IMP.	-	\$	21,743.16
LIABILITY	-	\$	4,484.00

Laura Duffer made the motion to approve Accounts Payable, which was seconded by Dave Perring, and passed after a unanimous, roll-call vote.

CASH FLOW REPORT – The following balances were reported as of August 31, 2022.

GENERAL	-	\$	85,331.74
RECREATION	-	\$	98,564.01
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	-	\$	894,945.36
AUDIT	-	\$	8,614.40
LIABILITY	-	\$	92,157.03
2014 DEBT CERT.	-	\$	5,055.82
BOND FUN	-	\$	328,657.37

Angie informed the Board that this year's tax distribution checks have been slightly different, there was a large check received in both July and September, but no check in August. As shown in the reports included in the Board Packet, the percentages received year-to-date show nearly 80% has been received so far. The final payments are expected in November.

Don Peasley excused himself from the meeting at 6:37 pm. Gary Nodine, Vice President, asked Becky for her report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – BECKY STRAIT

- A slideshow presentation was displayed as she spoke on a few topics:

➤ **Lehn & Fink Park Improvement Project:**

- Bob stated that the Lincoln Memorial Health Foundation (LMHF) chose this park to collaborate with for a project only to back out.
 - Becky explained that all LPD parks had been considered when LMHF introduced the collaboration, but LPD had just replaced the playground in Club Exchange park and Memorial Park is surrounded by a part of the community with high property values.
 - Lehn & Fink was ideal as it is in an area surrounded by taxpayers, whereas Memorial is surrounded by County taxpayers.
 - Jennifer pointed out that the community survey results ranked those that needed more attention than the others.
- Gary stated that he agreed Lehn & Fink needed an upgrade, but he was hesitant about the \$1.2 million price tag that had been previously proposed.

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- Angie pointed out that the plan doesn't need to be that extravagant, but when applying for the OSLAD grant, it would be more advantageous to use the greater amount to receive a larger matching grant.
- Dave pointed out that previous attempts to collaborate have not gone well for LPD.
- Becky explained that she thinks offering amenities that are free for public use, such as the pump track, would be an advantage in the application.
- Jennifer stated that she would like to see the Board not just table the application, but to find a reduced plan to proceed in the OSLAD grant application and park project.
 - Dave expressed his concerns on the current economy and his wishes to protect the Park District so that it can keep afloat among the turbulence expected to come.
 - Bob stated that he agreed that LPD needs to spend some money to improve the parks, but also expressed his concern of the impact the proposed YMCA facility will have on LPD once it is built and operational.
- Gary stated that he was not opposed to proceeding with a Phase 1 and applying for the OSLAD with Phase 2 plans, if one option could be agreed upon.
 - Becky informed the Board that she had hoped to upgrade the playground and apply for OSLAD for a Phase 2 project but wanted the Board to decide which option.
 - Gary inquired about the annual cost to operate a splash pad, for which Becky's research provided approximately \$10,000 or 450,000 gallons.
 - Becky stated that the splash pad would have buttons or sensors to only operate when people were there to use it and would not run 24/7.
 - Becky did also speak with Illinois American Water about collaborating the running of the pipe, set up, and possibly install some of the components as a type of community service/volunteer opportunity/donation to the Park District.
 - Gary asked if there would be a potential conflict of the prevailing wage ordinance.
 - Becky stated that it would be considered an "in-kind" donation of services/labor.
- Laura queried when the OSLAD Grant application was due, which Becky verified the deadline to be September 30th.
- Bob inquired about the bathroom situations.
 - Angie stated that when the YMCA used the fields, port-a-potties were rented.
 - Jennifer pointed out that the public survey results show a desire for actual facilities.
- Gary asked if the Board could agree on a cost that would be agreeably comfortable for everyone to proceed in the improvement plan.
 - Angie briefly went over the Capital Improvement balance, the impact the Debt Certificate has on the annual bond proceeds and expected funds available to use for capital improvements within the next few years.
 - Laura stated that she felt money should be put into the local parks with or without OSLAD grant funding, as the past few years has been focused on the main facility roof and parking projects.
 - Dave agreed that he wouldn't mind seeing some new playground equipment put in.
- Laura Duffer made the motion to apply for the OSLAD grant in the amount of \$600,000 to improve Lehn & Fink Park, but if the grant is not awarded, the Board will reconvene to decide how to proceed in improving the park. Bob Thomas moved to second the motion, which then passes with three (3) yes votes and one (1) no vote.
- Gary asked if everyone agreed that the parks need to be upgraded and that, with the OSLAD matching grant, \$300,000 was a feasible amount to invest in community development.

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- Dave expressed his concerns about investing that much money into Lehn & Fink park due to its location.
- Laura requested that a pavilion be added to the plans for the park.
- Becky requested a few more decisions be made by the Board so that she can redraft a proposal for a subsequent Public Hearing regarding the OSLAD grant application.
 - The Board agreed that a pavilion would be a part of the plan.
 - The playground displayed in option#2 would be preferred.
 - The difference between turf and wood chips was discussed.
 - Possible security issues with the restrooms were also discussed for consideration.
- The roof project status is that we are waiting to hear the final OK from Ryan Benson to release the final payment(s).
 - Vern stated that a few leaks need repaired first.
 - Gary requested that Kreiling be notified that LPD is waiting on Ryan Benson's approval to release the final payment(s).
- The Solar project is waiting on the roof situation, but a new contract was emailed.
 - The contract projects higher savings even though the rate did increase slightly, due to Ameren's rates being reported higher than originally anticipated.
 - Gary asked which rate was raised, which Becky verified to be the Kilowatts per hour, by one cent.
 - Laura inquired about the increase in project cost, which Becky was not provided, as there is no installation cost that LPD will be paying for. The solar company incurs those costs and receives profits from extra energy obtained above and beyond what LPD is contracted to use.
 - Laura Duffer made the motion to approve the new Solar Purchase Power Agreement. Bob Thomas moved to second the motion, which then passed after a unanimous, roll-call vote.
 - Gary asked if the start date was fluid in the contract, as the term is listed as 25 years, and the date listed is a year out.
 - Becky stated that the date is listed as a contingency, should problems arise, but the actual date would be within the next quarter, depending on lead times.
- City Parks:
 - The status is a holding pattern as the intergovernmental agreement is being reviewed by each party's legal counsel.
 - The September 13th City Council Meeting included a discussion about the Postville Courthouse Museum, and the city block that it occupies.
 - The building and block are state-owned property that the City maintains for the State.
 - The City proposed and approved an intergovernmental agreement with the State for the term of 1 year and included \$3,000 paid to the City for mowing/maintenance of the grounds.
- Upcoming Events:
 - September 16th is the Homecoming Parade and CIVC Golf outing, in which LPD will be represented.
 - LPD has been asked to provide some children's games during the Railsplitter Festival the weekend of the 17-18th.
 - County Ice Rink:
 - Met today with two County Board Members to discuss a few items.
 - There are a lot of unknowns, as this is the first year in operation.

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- The County has offered a lump sum to offset overhead expenses, which has been estimated to be around \$10,000.
- Any extra expenses will be deducted from any proceeds before the profits are distributed between the two entities at the end of the season.
- Laura expressed her concern about staffing issues and Becky explained that this concern is being addressed in the discussions and planning meetings.
- The County is open to operating the rink at LPD's discretion, as LPD will oversee ticket sales and decide about any closures due to weather.
- Bob stated that it may only be a popular event the first year, but only time will tell.
- Gary relayed that the terms of the contract/intergovernmental agreement state that either party can terminate the agreement with a 30-day written notice.
- Both Bob and Gary stated that it is a good idea to try this new concept for a year and review everything at the end of the season.
- Becky attended a U of I Extension office presentation titled "Reversing the Exodus", which discussed the issue of most counties in Illinois losing a majority of their younger demographic.
 - Many communities state-wide need teachers, firemen, and police.
 - Parks and dog parks were listed as two (2) amenities that attract this younger demographic, as many opt to forgo having children to owning dogs/pets.
 - Bob stated that LPD cannot stop the local exodus.
 - Becky explained that LPD can help add some of those sought-after amenities to the community to help Lincoln appeal to the younger demographic.
- LMHF asked if LPD would be willing to allow their walking group to walk indoors on Wednesdays (4 time periods) for free.
 - The group currently uses the outdoor paths around the Hospital campus but have expressed their desire to continue during the winter weather.
 - Dave expressed his concern on how allowing this usage would possibly impact regular patron usage.
 - Laura and Dave both agreed that it would be unfair to expect members and the public to pay to walk daily, but not this group.
- The Foundation has a swing dance fundraiser scheduled for November 5th.
 - Offering donation opportunities is in the works for Giving Tuesday, November 29th.
 - In the spring of 2023, there will be a Mama's Arcade meal fundraiser.
- Intern – Nick Greenslaugh, from Western Illinois University, is finishing up his degree with an internship here at LPD.
- Trajectory Solar is installing a new solar farm, Stove pipe, just south of the Shop, but should reduce LPD's Ameren bill once it is up and running.
- Memorial Park – Pam Moriearty and Bev Noble are conducting a tree inventory to submit for IDNR as a part of the Trees Forever group. They are assessing the types of trees, which will then be GIS mapped as part of the State's records. Dave asked if Memorial Park is still considered to be one of Illinois' premier locations to find Black Oak trees, which Vern verified that it is.
- Staff worked hard to clean out and organize the tennis court storage closet.

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OPERATIONS REPORT – VERN HASELEY

- A bench was donated in memory of a loved one, which has been installed. Part of the donation included a red oak and dogwood trees, which have been ordered.
- Vern informed the Board that Avalanche Slide, the manufacturer, has been contacted regarding the pool slide's steps. The warranty has expired, but they will send a representative to inspect the steps. Walker Sandblasting could remove the existing and then repaint if we remove them.
- Lehn & Fink fencing has been removed and the ground seeded. Gary asked if the backstop had been removed yet, which Vern stated that it had not. Then Gary inquired about the lights, which are not in use, but Vern stated that those are still up even though they have not been used in years.
- The Fit Zone parking lot lighting needs to be improved. Bodine is preparing a quote to bore a line to install a new pole, which would have 3 additional lights.
- The tractor is expected back next week.
- Still no word on when the new truck will be ready.
- The weather is keeping the grass growing, which means the grounds crew are still mowing.
- The diamonds will be getting sanded this month.

PROGRAM REPORT – ALLISON BAKER

- Kids cooking is scheduled for next Tuesday and has 7-8 participants registered already.
- Cupcake decorating is scheduled for the 29th.
- Railsplitter Festival is this weekend, for which we have prepared a few games and activities for kids. There will be a kit to make your own rag doll or cup game. We plan on having an egg and 3-legged race, along with ring toss on a wooden horse, and a pool noodle cabin. Gary asked about the times and the event was verified to be 10-4 Sat & Sun, but LPD will have games from 1-3pm.
- Halloween is in the planning process. The regular indoor game/Fun Fest will be held, but we hope to also have an Outdoor Haunted Trail on the 27th. We have a few new sponsor options; operate a game/booth, create a scene on the trail, be a zombie in a game, or donate hot dogs/buns for the bonfire. We discussed having a haunted house, but there are State regulations and possibly a permit requirement. Allison has reached out to the State Fire Marshall but has had no response yet.
- There will be another Build a Scarecrow and pumpkin painting events this fall.
- Jr. Railers is coming up soon.
- Nick, the new Intern, has been a big help.

FITNESS MANAGER'S REPORT – JENNIFER PRATHER

- Group Fitness class attendance for August was 917 and there were 299 participants in water aerobics alone.
- Virtual Memberships has Strong in September with Taylor.
- The Balloons over 66 5K had 47 participants, Becky helped a lot in Jennifer's absence, and there was positive feedback.
- Best Body 52 has 1 participant.
- August's Health & Wellness presenter was Michelle Bauer, of Country Financial, who talked about financial health. October's event is a Forest Therapy session.

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- Weight Watchers sent a representative to review LPD as a potential meeting site. Their only request would be a location to store a scale between meeting dates if they choose to meet at LPD.
- Jennifer has been looking into LPD becoming an established location for GO 365, from which 2 local companies have chosen to participate, and their staff have expressed interest in LPD being the location. The program is like Silver & Fit but GO 365 members can earn points from checking in to get prizes from the company. LPD would have to pay a small fee to get a verified locale beacon from the company. Dave asked what kind of prizes the patrons would get from this company. Jennifer stated that businesses pay to participate in the program, but the company's employees would either pay the daily or membership fees **and** check in with the beacon to earn points. Gary asked if LPD would offer a discount, which was verified that the 10% business discount is offered to any company that has 10 or more employees purchase a membership at LPD.
- The new Spin® Instructor started tonight.
- Active Agers had a potluck on the 9th and scheduled their next one for December.
- There will be a Spin® Fundraiser in October for Breast Cancer.
- There have been a few of our newer Water Aerobics participants purchasing memberships at the end of the season to continue their exercises.

AQUATIC CENTER – JENNIFER PRATHER

- The season overall went well. The guards all said that the summer seemed to go by fast.
- The last Family Fun Day was pirate themed, and State Bank donated \$200 cash as "booty" for the kids to dive for sunken treasure. Angie helped to divide it out into age groups, and all the kids in attendance loved it.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A request was made for feedback from program participants to be used as testimonials.

Becky informed the Board that the mystery of the disappearing range balls has been solved. She explained that the Christian Child Care had brought their kids to the Fit Zone Desk to return balls for a treat, as they had read the sign posted at the range. Since the attendant did not have enough treats for the 18 kids, they were asked to stop at the Front Office to redeem their treats. Megan was chatting with the supervisor about how the rule is 10 balls per child to redeem a treat for future reference, when the supervisor said that they have around 400-500 balls back at their facility. The supervisor stated that they were unaware that they could not just take the balls and have been bringing the children over during their walk, where the kids would have fun gathering up golf balls. Megan explained that the golf balls are LPD property and that is why treats are offered if a child turns in at least 10, so they are less likely to keep the golf balls. The supervisor apologized and stated that they would send someone over with the golf balls that were at their facility. The Childcare manager called a few days later to apologize and offered to purchase more golf balls for the LPD range. Angie stated that she would gladly purchase ice pops for the sole purpose of the childcare kids coming a few times a week to walk, play, and gather golf balls. The cost is estimated to be just a few dollars each week depending on how often and how many children come each week. The Board agreed that it would be a nice compromise for next year.

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Vern informed the Board that the playground on LPD grounds had a slide broken when many children from the Springfield YMCA were playing on it. Becky continued to explain that letters had been sent to each childcare facility in advance of the summer season, which explained the expectations of adult to child ratio and fees for facility usage. The requested ratio was 1 adult for every 10 children, which met State requirements. On the day of the incident, a bus brought almost 80 children. They had a picnic lunch at the pavilion and then used the playground prior to using the pool. The tube slide buckled under the weight of too many children on it at once. Luckily, there were no reported injuries, but a child notified Vern of the broken slide. Becky stated that the slide design/installation did not include added support at that point in the slide length. When Megan was preparing the invoice to be sent, she was tallying the number of adults and children, when she noticed that the day in question listed 80 children and less than the required number of adult supervisors. A phone call was made to the YMCA facility to explain the situation where damage was done to LPD property on a day when there was insufficient supervision of their children, which was a concern. Gary asked if anyone was hurt, which Becky stated that there were no injuries or claims filed. Vern estimates that the cost to replace the slide will be around \$8,000. Vern said that he would like to file an IPARKS claim to see if they would cover replacing the slide with the \$1,000 deductible due from LPD. He did advise that it may be too late to submit the claim, as the incident occurred a few weeks ago, but that he would like to try.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Capital Improvements:

1. Roof Project: See Executive Director's Report.
2. Solar Project: See Executive Director's Report.
3. Lehn & Fink Park Improvement Project: See Executive Director's Report.

B. Aquatic Center:

1. Vern stated that he believes internal parts within the splash pad features are breaking down since they keep finding plastic pieces in the filter.
2. Rubber plugs were ordered to test the drains in the splash pad to look for leaks.

C. County Ice Rink & Intergovernmental Agreement: See Executive Director's Report.

D. COVID: No News.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Selection of First Midstate, Inc. as Underwriter/Placement Agent and Chapman and Cutler, LLP as Bond/Disclosure Counsel to the Underwriter/Placement Agent with respect to the District's General Obligation Limited Park Bonds.

1. Laura Duffer made the motion to approve the selection of First Midstate, Inc as the Underwriter/Placement Agent and Chapman & Cutler, LLP as the legal counsel for the General Obligation Limited Park Bonds.
2. Dave Perring moved to second the motion, which then passed after a unanimous, roll-call vote.

Executive Session: Laura Duffer moved to enter a Closed Executive Session to discuss an employee matter. Dave Perring moved to second the motion, which then passed after a unanimous, roll-call vote. The Board entered Executive Session at 8:08 pm and exited at 8:14pm with no matters requiring a vote.

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ADJOURNMENT: Seeing no further business, Laura Duffer moved to adjourn the meeting, Bob Thomas moved to second the motion. The motion carried. Adjournment: 8:15 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at 6:00 P.M.