

**MANHATTAN PARK BOARD AGENDA**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Manhattan Village Hall**  
**260 Market Place, Manhattan IL**  
**Date: October 10, 2019 Time 7:00 pm**

**Regular Scheduled Meeting**

**Call to Order:** 7:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Matt Kelly, Vice President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, Kristy Byers, Secretary, Ben Hecke, Commissioner

**Absent:** Bridget Hope, President

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**A motion was entered for the appointment of Matt Kelly as President Pro Tem for the purposes of the October 10, 2019 meeting.**

**Motion:** Ben Hecke- First, Joe Farkas- Second

**Roll Call:** Vice President Matt Kelly, Treasurer Joe Farkas, Secretary Kristy Byers, Commissioner Ben Hecke

Motion approved 4-0.

1. **Changes to the Agenda:** None
2. **Public Comment:** None
3. **Communications:** Jennifer Martinson of Lauterbach and Amen presented the annual Audit Report for fiscal year ending April 30, 2019. The auditors reported that they were pleased with their findings. One recommendation from the audit firm is to continue to strive to meet fund balance policy.
4. **Presidents Report:** None
5. **Staff and Committee Reports:**
  - a. **Executive Director:** Director Kelly updated the board on operations in parks, recreation and administration including an update on the Master Plan.
  - b. **Recreation:**
  - c. **Parks**
  - d. **Finance**
  - e. **L-Way Special Rec:**
  - f. **Village Government Agency Meeting:**
  - g. **Foundation Committee:** Director Kelly updated the board on the follow up meeting to Wine Fest. Director also notified the board that Liddy Hope will be resigning her position on the Foundation.

6. **Action and Motion requested:** Move to approve September 2019, Treasurer's Report including the payment of bills in the amount of \$121,960.84.

**Motion:** Kristy Byers- First, Ben Hecke- Second

**Roll Call:** President Pro Tem Matt Kelly, Treasurer Joe Farkas, Secretary Kristy Byers and Commissioner Ben Hecke

Motion approved 4-0.

7. **Consent Agenda: (Required Board Approval by Statute):**

- a. **Action and Motion requested:** Move to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:

- i. **September 12, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes**
- ii. **October 1, 2019 Workshop Meeting Minutes**
- iii. **Updated Fund Balance Policy Per Audit**

**Motion:** Joe Farkas- First, Ben Hecke- Second

**Roll Call:** President Pro Tem Matt Kelly, Treasurer Joe Farkas, Secretary Kristy Byers and Commissioner Ben Hecke

Motion approved 4-0.

8. **Old Business**

- a. **None**

9. **New Business:**

- a. **Action and Motion requested:** Move to approve Manhattan Park District Annual Financial Audit Report for the Fiscal Year Ended April 30, 2019

**Motion:** Joe Farkas- First, Kristy Byers- Second

**Roll Call:** President Pro Tem Matt Kelly, Treasurer Joe Farkas, Secretary Kristy Byers and Commissioner Ben Hecke

Motion approved 4-0.

- b. **Action and Motion requested:** Move to approve ORDINANCE NO. 19-4- AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION PARK BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE) IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,100,000 TO PAY THE COSTS OF (i) RENOVATING AND EQUIPPING PARKS AND PARK FACILITIES, (ii) REFUNDING CERTAIN OUTSTANDING ALTERNATE BONDS AND DEBT CERTIFICATES AND (iii) PAYING EXPENSES INCIDENT THERETO, WITH THE GENERAL CORPORATE REVENUES DEPOSITED INTO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE DISTRICT TO BE THE REVENUE SOURCE TO BE USED TO PAY DEBT SERVICE ON THE BONDS UNLESS SAID FUNDS ARE INSUFFICIENT TO PAY THE BONDS, IN WHICH CASE AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES UPON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT WITHOUT LIMITATION AS TO RATE OR AMOUNT ARE AUTHORIZED TO BE EXTENDED FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

**Motion:** Kristy Byers- First, Ben Hecke- Second

**Roll Call:** President Pro Tem Matt Kelly, Treasurer Joe Farkas Secretary Kristy Byers and Commissioner Ben Hecke

Motion approved 4-0.

- c. **Action and Motion requested:** Move to approve RESOLUTION NO. 19-5- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MANHATTAN PARK DISTRICT TO APPROVE INTERVENTION IN CERTAIN TAX APPEAL CASES

**Motion:** Kristy Byers- First, Joe Farkas- Second

**Roll Call:** President Pro Tem Matt Kelly, Treasurer Joe Farkas, Secretary Kristy Byers and Commissioner Ben Hecke

Motion approved 4-0.

- d. **2020 Tax Levy Discussion:** Director Kelly presented preliminary numbers to the board for what the 2020 Tax Levy could look like. Director Kelly stated that the estimated EAV from the county would be approximately \$331,000,000 and the estimated EAV from the Township Assessor's Office was approximately \$355,000,000. The CPI for next year is estimated at approximately 1%. Director Kelly explained how the limiting rate is impacted by the EAV rising or falling.

**10. Next Meeting: Special meeting to be held, November 7, 2019 at the Hansen Community Center, at 6:00 p.m.**

**10. Final Adjournment:**

- a. **Motion Requested:**

**Motion:** Ben Hecke-First, Kristy Byers-Second

Vote: Aye: 4 Nay: 0

Motion Passed. Adjournment at 8:06 p.m.