

MANHATTAN PARK BOARD AGENDA
Regular Meeting Minutes
Hansen Community Center
397 South State Street, Manhattan IL
Date: May 13, 2021 Time 7:00 pm

Regular Scheduled Meeting

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Bridget Hope, President, Matt Kelly, Vice-President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, Kristy Byers, Secretary, and Ben Hecke, Commissioner

Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance:

1. **Changes to the Agenda:** None

2. **Swearing in of Elected Commissioners:** John O’Driscoll, Corporate Council, swore in Barbara Epps, Bridget Hope and Joe Farkas for their 4-year term as Commissioners for the Manhattan Park District.

3. **Election of Officers:** The following slate was voted on and approved as the officers for the Manhattan Park District:
President: Bridget Hope
Vice-President: Ben Hecke
Treasurer: Joe Farkas
Secretary: Kristy Byers
Motion: Ben Hecke-First, Joe Farkas-Second
Roll Call: Bridget Hope, President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, Kristy Byers, Secretary and Ben Hecke, Commissioner, Barbara Epps, Commissioner
Motion approved 5-0

4. **Public Comment:** None

5. **Communications:** None

6. **Presidents Report:** President Hope congratulated and welcomed Barbara Epps to the board as the newest member. Congratulations was also offered to Treasurer Farkas for his return to the board. President Hope thanked all staff for their efforts and said that she is impressed with the progress on the work at the HCC.

7. Staff and Committee Reports:

- a. **Executive Director:** Director Kelly updated the board on the overall operations of the District. Director Kelly included in his report that MYAA has not made any decisions on the future of their organization. Director Kelly provided an update on current pending litigation. Director Kelly presented a rendering of what the playground at Hanover Estates Park may be and discussed the plans for that development.
- b. **Recreation Report:**
- c. **L-Way Special Rec:** Director Kelly stated that things are looking good at LWSRA and that they are looking to get back into the swing of things with restrictions opening up.
- d. **Village Government Agency Meeting:**
- e. **Foundation Committee:**

8. Action and Motion requested: Move to approve April 2021, Treasurer's Report including the payment of bills in the amount of \$146,391.69.

Motion: Joe Farkas-First, Kristy Byers-Second

Roll Call: Bridget Hope, President, Ben Hecke, Vice-President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, Kristy Byers, Secretary and Barbara Epps, Commissioner

Motion approved 5-0

9. Consent Agenda:

- a. **Action and Motion requested: Move to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:**
 - i. **April 8, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Motion: Kristy Byers-First, Barbara Epps-Second

Roll Call: Bridget Hope, President, Ben Hecke, Vice-President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, Kristy Byers, Secretary and Barbara Epps, Commissioner

Motion approved 5-0

10. Old Business

- a. **Hansen Community Center Updates:** Director Kelly provided updates to the HCC work being completed. He included details on the electrical work and the exterior improvements.
- b. **Review of 2021-2022 Budget and Appropriations:** Director Kelly provided a final review of the budget and informed the board that it has been on display for the 30-day public review. The budget was presented as balanced.

11. New Business:

- a. None

12. Next Meeting: Regular meeting held, June 10, 2021 at the Hansen Community Center (or via Zoom if needed) at 7:00 p.m.

13. Motion to Adjourn for Executive Session: None

14. Executive Session:

- a. Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) for the purpose of discussing:
 - (1) The employment, discipline and performance of specific employees.
 - (2) Collective negotiating matters.
 - (5) The purchase or lease of real property.
 - (6) The setting of a price for sale or lease of property.
 - (11) Pending or probable litigation.
 - (21) Approval or semi-annual review of closed meeting minutes.

13. Reconvene for action on items discussed in Executive Session

14. Final Adjournment:

a. **Motion Requested:** Ben Hecke-First, Joe Farkas- Second

b. **Vote:** Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Motion Passed 5-0

Adjournment 7:44 p.m.