

# Bourbonnais Township Park District Board of Commissioners Meeting Recreation Station 770 E Franklin St, Bradley, IL 60915 April 24, 2023 at 12 P.M.

On April 24 2023, President Zinanni called the Board of Commissioners Meeting to order at 5:30 pm with the following people present:

Commissioners Present: Jeff Mullinax, Bill Bukowski, Dave Zinanni

**Appointees Present**: Ed Piatt- Executive Director, Amanda Langlois- Board Secretary, Tom Planera- Board Attorney, Rob Romo- Board Treasurer

### Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Bukowski and seconded by Mullinax to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll Call: Mullinax- AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Settle- ABSENT, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

- -Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes March 24, 2023
- -Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes April 19, 2023

Zinanni stated that before we start the Oath of Office he wanted to thank the two Commissioners that are leaving the board, even though they aren't here. Brian Hebert taught Zinanni about the open lands and the nature of the parks which was very helpful when he joined the board. Anthony Settle taught Zinanni about the history of the district along with the farmland. The knowledge that both of these two brought to the board was priceless.

Oath of Office- Amanda Langlois read the Oath of Office to Jeff Mullinax, Kelly O'Connor and David Sadler. Langlois welcomed the new board members and had them join the board at their new seats at the table.

## **Staff Reports:**

Executive Director- Dr Edward Piatt's report was submitted in the board packet and he briefly went over it as well. He also added that the CVB is still up for giving us the grant money for Willowpalooza.

Treasurer's Report- Rob Romo reported that the audit will be scheduled in the next three weeks and it looks very positive. He would like the board to schedule a board retreat soon.

#### Ad Hoc Committee Reports:

Special Recreation- no report was submitted but Zinanni did mention he went to the meeting and they have their own credit card reader for their foundation which he thought was nice. They are having a car wash in May and the Mouse Race in November.

Living History- nothing to report.

Kankakee County Convention & Visitors Bureau- Piatt went to the meeting to discuss the grant for Willowpalooza and he also mentioned the officers are up for re-election.

#### Unfinished Business:

## **New Business:**

Zinanni asked if there was a motion to approve to pay the bills. O'Connor made the motion and Mullinax seconded. Roll Call: Mullinax- O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

Zinanni asked if there was a motion to approve to pay the payroll. O'Connor made the motion and Mullinax seconded. Roll Call: Mullinax-O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski-AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

Zinanni asked if there was a motion to approve change the meeting dates to the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month, with the Committee of the Whole starting at 5:30 pm and the Board Meeting starting at 6 pm. Bukowski made the motion and O'Connor seconded. Roll Call: Mullinax-O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

Zinanni asked if there was a motion to approve Ed Piatt as Pro-Tem President for the purpose of holding an Election of Board Officers. Mullinax made the motion, Bukowski seconded. Roll Call: Mullinax-AYE, O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski-AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

A nomination was made to name David Zinanni as President of the Bourbonnais Township Park District of Commissioners by Mullinax seconded by Bukowski. Roll Call: Mullinax-AYE, O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

President Zinanni took over and nominated William Bukowski as Vice President of the Bourbonnais Township Park District of Commissioners, seconded by O'Connor. Roll Call: Mullinax-AYE, O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski-AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

President Zinanni made the following board appointments:

Board Attorney- Thomas Planera & Associates, LTD. Roll Call: Mullinax-AYE, O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

Board Attorney- Thomas Planera & Associate, LTD Roll Call: Mullinax- AYE, O'Connor- AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

Board Secretary- Amanda Langlois. Mullinax-AYE, O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried. Treasurer- Rob Romo.

Mullinax-AYE, O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

President Zinanni made the following appointments: Commissioners Committee Assignments for FY 2022-2023. According to the Board of Commissioners Policy:

River Valley Special Recreation Association: Dave Zinanni and Jeff Mullinax Mullinax-AYE, O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

Living History: Bill Bukowski.

Mullinax-AYE, O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Zinanni-AYE. Motion carried.

Kankakee County Visitors and Convention Bureau- Dr Edward Piatt.
Mullinax-AYE, O'Connor-AYE, Sadler-AYE, Bukowski- AYE, Zinanni-AYE.
Motion carried.

**Public Comment-** Kris Bunnell asked what is the fiscal year and Rob Romo stated January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 and each year.

Amber Sproul- A community member that loves the park district and participates in many programs and events. She stated that the comprehensive plan, the programs that are offered at night, Willowhaven field trips, etc. are all amazing. She is a teacher at the Bourbonnais Elementary school and her concern is that she hopes we will still be offering fields trips to Willowhaven for school groups.

Mayor Watson wanted to congratulate the new board members.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Sadler, seconded by O'Connor. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Adjourned at 5:57 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Amanda Langlois.

David Zinanni President

5/23/23
Date 5/23/23

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Minutes approved at the board meeting of May 23, 2023