



PARK DISTRICT OF OAK PARK
Continued Regular Board Meeting from April 18, 2019

Hedges Administrative Center
218 Madison Street
Oak Park, Illinois

Thursday, May 2, 2019, 7:30pm

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call**
- II. Approval of Agenda**
- III. Old Business**
 - A. Recreation and Special Facilities Program Committee – None**
 - B. Parks and Planning Committee – Commissioner Lentz**
 1. Diving Tower Removal Contract Approval*
 - C. Administration and Finance Committee – None**
- IV. Proclamation of Commissioner Election Results (Roll Call Vote)**
 - A. Canvassing Results for Consolidated Election for Park Board Commissioners**
- V. Executive Director’s Comments**
- VI. Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Lentz
Commissioner Wick
Commissioner Porreca
Commissioner Guarino
Commissioner Aeschleman
- VII. Oath of Office – Vicki Scaman**
- VIII. New Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Porreca
Commissioner Wollmuth
Commissioner Worley-Hood
- IX. New Business**
- X. Closed Session**
- XI. Adjournment**

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 - B. **Parks and Planning Committee – Commissioner Lentz**
 1. **Diving Tower Removal Contract Approval***
(Roll Call Vote) (III.B.1)
Commissioner Lentz: I move that the Park Board of Commissioners give approval to Executive Director Arnold for the executing of the demolition agreement with National Wrecking Company of Chicago, Illinois for the amount of \$38,400 for the removal of the Rehm diving tower.
 - C. **Administration and Finance Committee – None**
- IV. **Proclamation of Commissioner Election Results** – Commissioner Wick
(Roll Call Vote)
I move that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the results of the Cook County Clerks Office's declared canvassing results of the April 2, 2019, Consolidated Election of Kassie Porreca, Jake Worley-Hood, and Chris Wollmuth to four year terms to the Board of Park Commissioners. The Results are as follows: Kathleen Porreca – 6,266 votes, Jake Worley-Hood – 5,097 votes, and Christopher Wollmuth – 4,718 votes.
- V. **Executive Director's Comments**
- VI. **Commissioner Comments**
Commissioner Lentz
Commissioner Wick
Commissioner Porreca
Commissioner Guarino
Commissioner Aeschleman
- VII. **Oath of Office**
Vicki Scaman, Village Clerk, will present the Oath of Office to re-elected Commissioner Kassie Porreca and newly elected Commissioners Jake Worley-Hood and Christopher Wollmuth.

VIII. New Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Porreca
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Memo

To: Sandy Lentz, Chair, Parks and Planning Committee
Board of Park Commissioners

From: Jan Arnold, Executive Director

Date: April 23, 2019

Re: Demolition of Rehm's Diving Tower



Statement

The diving tower located at Rehm pool was determined to have safety concerns requiring immediate attention as the staircase on the diving tower is rusting from the inside out. Staff have struggled with the diving tower over the past several years with the deteriorating platforms and stair case structure.

Discussion

As staff began to prepare for the opening of pool season, they uncovered a safety concern that requires immediate attention. In 2015, staff discussed conditions of the diving tower and it was determined at that time, that there was still some useful life in the structure and we would continue to operate it until which time it was no longer operable.

A few key factors to assist in the decision making:

1. The diving tower and the diving well were built in 1966, 53 years ago;
2. The diving tower is currently only available 20 minutes per hour from 1-6pm due to IDPH requirements for this apparatus;
3. Only the 5M platform is able to be used due to safety conditions of past incidents from the 7 and 10 M heights;
4. When the diving tower is being used, all other activities in the diving well must cease. Thus, the climbing wall, diving board, and two drop slides are halted resulting in fewer users served;
5. The 2014 pool master plan calls for the removal of the diving tower and redesigning the use of the diving well functions;
6. The diving well walls are beginning to show stress cracks. Possibly due to underground failure of the drainage tiles;
7. \$2M is allocated in 2023;
8. Cost to rebuild stairs will be approximately \$40,000, as well as there will be ongoing maintenance needs; and
9. Cost for demolition is approximately the same as the cost to remove the stairs.

Based on the cost of the repair, age of the platform, conditions of the diving well, and the limited ability to use the diving tower, staff are recommending removal of the diving tower immediately. Staff have received three quotes for the work. The Park Board provided consensus at the April 23, Regular Board Meeting for staff to move forward with the demolition of the diving tower.

Conclusion

The Parks and Planning Committee request formal approval given to Executive Director Arnold for the executing of the demolition agreement with National Wrecking Company of Chicago, Illinois for the amount of \$38,400 for the removal of Rehm's diving tower.