CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
January 23, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS:
Grayling Gordon, President
Joseph Fernandez
Eugene Austin, Secretary
Anthony Hopkins
Jaylan Robinson

STAFF:
Genesis Gary
Marino Solorio
Jewell Harris

Reported by: Peggy S. LaLonde, CSR, RPR
Fissinger & Associates

Call to Order: 5:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Present in Chambers: Grayling Gordon, Eugene Austin, Anthony Hopkins, Joseph Fernandez, Jaylan Robinson

Staff Present: Genesis Gary
Hunter Balzco, Attorney

MR. GORDON: I would call to order the Board of Parks and Recreation meeting for Tuesday, January 23rd, 2024.

We'll move on to Administrative matters. First on the agenda is approval of the minutes of the January 9, 2024 meeting as written. Can I get a motion?

MR. HOPKINS: Make a motion.

MR. AUSTIN: Second.

MR. GORDON: All in favor signify by saying aye. (All signify aye.)

MR. GORDON: Motion carries.

Next we have approval and signing of payroll dated January 19, 2024. I need a motion.

MR. HOPKINS: So move.

MR. FERNANDEZ: Second.

MR. GORDON: All in favor signify by saying aye. (All signify aye.)
MR. GORDON: Motion carries.
Approval and signing of Warrant 012324, amount of $28,148.79.

MR. HOPKINS: Make a motion.

MR. ROBINSON: Second.

MR. GORDON: All in favor signify by saying aye. (All signify aye.)
MR. GORDON: Motion carries.
Approval and signing of Warrant 123023, amount of $28,612.88.

MR. AUSTIN: Make a motion.

MR. ROBINSON: Second.

MR. GORDON: All in favor signify by saying aye. (All signify aye.)
MR. GORDON: Motion carries.
Approval and signing of Warrant 123123, amount of $176,881.68. Can I get a motion?

MR. HOPKINS: Make a motion.

MR. AUSTIN: Second.

MR. GORDON: All in favor signify by saying aye. (All signify aye.)
MR. GORDON: Motion carries.
Moving on, there is no Old Business we'll move on to New Business.

MS. GARY: Good evening. Before you guys is a Service Sanitation Agreement, this is their yearly service agreement for sanitation throughout the parks.

MR. ROBINSON: Make a motion.

MR. HOPKINS: Second.

MR. GORDON: All in favor signify by saying aye. (All signify aye.)
MR. GORDON: Motion carries.

MS. GARY: Next we have an Agreement

with our Zumba class instructor, Ms. Martinez. This is her agreement for teaching one hour classes at each center. The contract was drawn up by our lawyers, so we are seeking approval for her service contract.

MR. FERNANDEZ: Motion to approve.

MR. GORDON: I'll second the motion. All in favor signify by saying aye. (All signify aye.)
MR. GORDON: Motion carries.

MS. GARY: Next we have an invoice for payment to Marino Solorio. As you guys know, he's under contract, so we have to bring this invoice to every meeting so he can get paid.

MR. AUSTIN: Motion.

MR. ROBINSON: Second.

MR. GORDON: All in favor signify by saying aye. (All signify aye.)
MR. GORDON: Motion carries.
Any comments from the Public? (None)
Any comments from the Board? (None)
Hearing none, our next regular meeting is February 13, 2024, right here in Council Chambers, at 5:00 o'clock.
If there is nothing else, can I get a motion for adjournment?

MR. ROBINSON: Motion to adjourn.

MR. AUSTIN: Second.

MR. GORDON: All in favor signify by saying aye. (All signify aye.) Motion carries.
We are adjourned.

* * * * Meeting adjourned * * * *

Approval of the Meeting Minutes of Tuesday
January 23, 2024

Approved and signed _____

Grayling Gordon, President

Eugene Austin, Secretary

Anthony Hopkins, Member

Joseph Fernandez, Member

Jaylan Robinson, Member

Genesis Gary, Recording Secretary

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Peggy S. LaLonde, a competent and duly qualified court reporter, do hereby certify that I did report in machine shorthand the foregoing proceedings and that my shorthand notes so taken at said time and place were thereafter reduced to typewriting under my personal direction.

I further certify that the foregoing typewritten transcript constitutes minutes of the said proceedings taken at said time and place, so ordered to be transcribed.

Dated at Valparaiso, Indiana, this 25th day of January, 2024.



Peggy S. LaLonde, CSR, RPR