



Westmont Park District Board of Commissioners
Minutes of the Special Meeting
By Remote Attendance
May 20, 2020 5:00 pm

Agenda Item #1 Call to Order

President Long called the Meeting to order at 5:02 pm.
The meeting was held remotely through Zoom on-line meeting attendance.

Agenda Item #2 Roll Call

Commissioners Conneely, Karesh, Long, Moffett, Zapinski
Executive Director Fleck

Agenda Item #3 Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item #4 Board to Consider COVID-19 Impact on District Operations and Programs

a. Preschool

The Meeting began with discussion of the Preschool program. The Board expressed concern if the Preschool can open and operate in the current small space of the Twin Lakes Learning Center while meeting social distancing guidelines. Also of concern is the financial impact. Prior to COVID-19 the preschool/early childhood program operated at a significant loss. Will it be able to, or should it be able to, survive at a loss if the State's re-opening guidelines further restrict operations and the registration numbers this fall? When the preschool opened, both Westmont elementary school districts did not offer early childhood programs. Now, they do offer these. A discussion was held if we should continue when the school districts offer this to larger numbers in their schools, which are better suited to host such a program.

Motion was made by Comm. Conneely and seconded by Comm. Moffett to close the Twin Lakes Learning Center if the State is not open to Phase 4 by July 15, 2020.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Comm. Conneely, Comm. Moffett, Comm. Karesh, Comm. Zapinski, Comm. Long
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried.

Alternatives to the preschool would be considered for the future of the District's early childhood programs.

b. Special Events and Programs

Director Fleck reported that the Dance Recital has been officially cancelled due to our inability to host the event at Westmont High School, or anywhere else for that matter. Pro-rated refunds will be processed.

c. Budget

There was no budget discussion.

d. Other

Rick Ricksecker's retirement from the Fitness Club is confirmed to become effective June 30, 2020.

Director Fleck shared a report that SEASPAR cancelled all programs and activities for summer 2020. Nearly all of SEASPAR's programs and services involve hands-on direct contact with their special needs participants. Because of social distancing requirements it is not possible to perform their basic services.

Golf continues to be operating under DCEO rules of two players every 15 minutes.

According to Director Fleck, efforts to persuade the Governor to open golf to foursomes, relaxing the restrictions, is ongoing.

The next Special Meeting will be held by remote attendance on Wednesday, May 27, 2020, starting at 5:00 pm.

Agenda Item #5 Adjournment

Seeing no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Comm. Zapinski and seconded by Comm. Conneely to adjourn the Special Meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Comm. Zapinski, Comm. Conneely, Comm. Karesh, Comm. Moffett, Comm. Long

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried.

The Special Meeting was adjourned at 5:57 pm.