

Commissioner Ponton made a motion to approve the January 31, 2024, Accounts Payables and Payroll in the amount of \$192,912.38 as presented and Commissioner Barz seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: (5) Barz, Ruvoli, Gentry, Ponton, McCarey

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

Motion approved

7. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND/OR CORRESPONDENCE – Mrs. Olszewski told the Board that Executive Director Hassett did a good job at the recent Five Oaks HOA meeting explaining why the FPD would not pay the annual HOA dues. A discussion of the meeting was held.
8. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
 - President McCarey welcomed Regina to the FPD administration staff.
 - President McCarey expressed his appreciation to Gina Hassett for all the help she gave the Board before and during the conference.
 - He asked the commissioners and staff to review legal matters before involving the attorneys.
 - He said that Pickle Ball is set for FPD.
9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT.
 - A. Acceptance of the FY2023 Audit Report – Auditors could not attend tonight to present. IMRF is the only change. The investment portfolio has changed. The consensus was to wait until the next meeting to approve. TABLED
 - Gina said she was pleased to have Regina Ross Ellison join the staff. They have been working through the issues to get software access.
 - The Townhall Meeting will be discussed in the Committee Meeting.
 - The gym roof was discussed. There have not been too many comments from those attending programs in the gym. People seem to be paying attention to the signs. Staff is working on getting quotes for the ceiling repairs. Ed said no other issues have surfaced. There is a concerning roof leak in one of the closets.
 - Gina addressed Commissioner Ruvoli’s question regarding Operation Playground. She will look into the date of the next meeting. The two items for discussion is expanding or redoing the Pump Track and repairs to the Dog Park.
 - There is no update on the Laraway Road project that will impact on the FPD parcel.
10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Special Recreation – Gina sent a link of the LWSRA Board packet in the commissioners’ information packets. Some staff have left and been replaced to make LWSRA almost fully staffed. One former employee has returned.
 - B. Building and Grounds Report
 - With the mild weather staff has been able to get some of the spring projects started.
 - The toilets in Commissioners Park bathrooms have been replaced after the vandalism last year.
 - Cold weather impacted the roof and downspouts, and staff did what they could to minimize damage and ongoing issues.
 - Maintenance staff was able to handle several furnace issues. Gina explained that the oldest HVAC unit (1995) would cost over \$6,000 to repair. Ed and his staff ordered the parts and completed the repairs themselves.
 - Ed was in contact with the contractor on the Windy Hill OSLAD project. They anticipate 3-4 weeks to begin.
 - Paint touchup throughout the building is being done.
 - Ed was able to make repairs to the roof that was leaking into the Business Managers office.

- Gina complemented the staff and Tyler's work on the planting beds. He has a good work ethic and is a fast learner.
- Commissioner Ruvoli asked what the plan is for seasonal employees. Ed replied that most from last year will not be able to return.

C. Recreation Report – Stacey Proper was absent and Gina Hassett highlighted her report.

- Puzzlemania in this week. The craft fair is upcoming. The Fairytale Ball was held and she commented that it was a great event. The younger attendees were very excited to be attending.
- The holiday events were well attended and the new Santa did a great job.
- Commissioner Ponton said that the Youth basketball was going well.
 - a. Community Outreach – Julie is working on sponsorships.

D. Public Relations – Debs report was included in the Board's packets and highlighted media reports. Commissioner Ruvoli was a top follower of the FPD media pages.

E. Planning Report – None

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Ruvoli thanked Gina for all the work she did in preparing for the conference. He said it is always a pleasure to be able to just attend, network and learn while there. She put a lot of effort into it. He also thanked Stacy and her group for the great Fairytale Ball, the pictures were great. He noted that the bus trips are filling up. He thanked Jule for getting the packets delivered and is hoping for additional sponsorships. He has a team for the Puzzlemania event and Commissioner Ponton will join his team. He thanked Ed and his staff for the beautification projects.

Commissioner Gentry welcomed Regina and is glad to have her on staff. He also thanked Gina for all the information and guidance provided for the conference. He commented that it was great to see the maintenance staff out and about the parks getting stuff done. He thanked all of the staff.

Commissioner Barz said Happy Fat Tuesday. He wished Commissioner Ruvoli Happy Birthday and said he was a few days later. He said that it was fun at the conference and saw a lot and learned a lot. He said it was very important that the Board attend. He noted that the Legislative Breakfast was Friday and Gina confirmed it will be held at 7:30 a.m. and the local Representatives and Senators will be in attendance. He welcomed Regina to FPD and said he is looking forward to working with her.

Commissioner Ponton said great job by everybody. He apologized for missing the conference. He welcomed Regina.

Regina Ross-Ellison said she was glad to be with FPD. She is glad to be able to serve FPD and She is looking forward to getting to know everyone. She then sang Happy Birthday beautifully to Commissioners Ruvoli and Barz.

14. ADJOURNMENT — President McCarey asked for a motion to adjourn the Frankfort Park District Board of Commissioners Regular monthly meeting of February 13, 2024 at 7:13 p.m.
Commissioner Barz so moved, and Commissioner Ruvoli seconded the motion. Hearing no objections all present voted Aye. Motion passed by a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary T. Strand
 Board Minutes Secretary