

**Minutes of the Special Study Session Meeting
Of the Board of Commissioners
Sycamore Park District
Tuesday, April 13, 2021**

The special study session meeting of the Sycamore Park District Board of Commissioners, DeKalb County, Illinois, held at the Sycamore Park District Clubhouse, 940 E. State St. in Sycamore, Illinois is called to order at 6:04 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

Will the recording secretary please call the roll.

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are physically present and will be participating in the meeting in person: **Commissioner Schulz, Doty, and Strack.**

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are not physically present but will be participating in the meeting via video and/or audio conferencing: Commissioner **Kroeger.**

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are not physically present and will not be participating in the meeting: **Commissioner Graves. He arrived at 6:31.**

Staff members present were Director Bailey, Jeanette Freeman, Jackie Hienbuecher, Jeff Donahoe, Kirk Lundbeck, and Theresa Tevsh.

Motion

Commissioner Strack made a motion to permit Commissioners Kroeger to participate remotely. Commissioner Doty seconded the Motion.

Roll Call

Vice President Schulz called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0. Commissioner Graves was absent at this time.

Guests:

Denise Ackmann

Commissioner Graves arrived at 6:31 pm.

GWT – Segment 2 Appraisals: Director Bailey noted the Board should have all 4 different appraisals. They each have different price points. She would like to know if the Board wants to move forward with the purchase of the properties at the prices that are listed. The adjusted pricing for the requested fencing at the grainery is also listed in the information. Commissioner Strack asked if we can negotiate with the property owners. Director Bailey noted she would have to confirm with counsel if Commissioner Strack could talk to Jeff Jacobsen about the previous conversations he has had with the property owners if the Board approves that. The board supports acquiring the land. There was more discussion regarding the properties.

Museum Appraisal: Director Bailey noted the board should have the information on the Museum appraisal. We will need to pass an ordinance saying we can sell the property. Then Derke goes to the courts and then we can list it. Supt. Tevsh noted that once we go through the legal requirements, we should contact the people that expressed interest. Director Bailey noted that legally we have to list the property, but we can also do marketing on it. There was discussion on what the price range should be to list the property at. The board was in consensus to sell the property.

Draft Strategic Plan: Director Bailey noted this came from the community survey, vision 2020 continuation and tied the new mission, vision and core values into it. She would like to vote at the next meeting on moving forward with this strategic plan. We would then use this to create the Master Plan. She asked the Board to let her know if there are things to add. There was some discussion on staffing plan for the future.

Next Study Session: This will be determined at a later date.

Motion

The Board adjourned the Regular Session of the Special Study Session Meeting at 6:57 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Strack. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Doty.

Voice Vote

Vice President Schulz called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanette Freeman
Recording Secretary
Sycamore Park District