

**BATAVIA PARK DISTRICT  
SPECIAL JOINT BOARD MEETING WITH THE BATAVIA CITY COUNCIL  
APRIL 20, 2021  
VIRTUAL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER** – The Special Joint Board Meeting between the Batavia City Council and the Batavia Park District was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Park Board President Pat Callahan.

**ROLL CALL** – Park Board Commissioners in attendance were Riley, Tilmon, Gray and Callahan. Absent: Connolly. Staff in attendance were Director of Parks Kim Hansen, Director of Facilities and Trades Josh Wyant, Director of Finance Shane Johnson, Executive Director Allison Niemela and Executive Assistant Debbie Gentry.

**CALL TO ORDER** – The City of Batavia Committee of the Whole Board Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Alderman O’Brien.

**ROLL CALL** – City Council members in attendance were: Aldermen Miller, Russotto, Knopp, Baerren, O’Brien, Callahan, Malay, Uher, Cerone, and McFadden. Absent: Aldermen Beck, Chanzit, Wolff, and Mietzler. Mayor Jeffery Schielke, City Administrator Laura Newman and Recording Secretary Jennifer Austin-Smith were also present.

**ITEMS REMOVED/ADDED/CHANGED ON AGENDA** – None.

**NEW BUSINESS** –


- A. Kick-off Meeting for the Fox River Corridor Master Plan, facilitated by Hitchcock Design Group.** Allison Niemela welcomed Lacey Lawrence and Bill Inman of Hitchcock Design Group, and they shared the Project Purpose for the Batavia Fox River Corridor Master Plan. The planning effort has four key phases that will influence one another: Analyze, Connect, Envision and Implement. An online survey and stakeholder interviews were conducted from April 19 through May 2. To kick off the “Connect” phase for the Master Plan, City Council members and Park Board of Commissioners were asked to answer one of three questions regarding top priorities for the Batavia Fox River Corridor, key drivers and outcomes expected from the Master Plan. In the discussion, Mayor Schielke also gave a brief history of the Riverwalk and Depot Pond areas.

**MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS** – None.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD** – None.

The Batavia Park Board adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT** - With no further business to come before the Board, the special meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m. **A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**



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Secretary, Board of Commissioners

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