

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MANHASSET PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 8, 2021

Meeting 21-03

The call in meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Manhasset Park District (MPD) convened via call in, open to the public, hosted by the MPD via Ring Central 6:15 P.M. Monday, February 8, 2021. On Call were Commissioners Mark Sauvigne, David Paterson and Kenneth Weigand. In addition, Robert Morici, and Paul Pepper, MPD Legal Counsel, and Amanda Niewender, Secretary to the Board were also on call. The dial in information to call in was listed on the website.

Numerous communications addressed to the MPD pertaining to a wide array of matters were reviewed and discussed and eventually disposition was made to those, which warrant action.

1. COVID Travel Policy

The Commissioners discussed implementing a COVID Travel Policy which designates a specified quarantine after out of state travel.

The following resolution was proposed:

WHEREAS, The Manhasset Park District has created a policy to cover all aspects of COVID Travel,

THEN THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the MPD will adopt the COVID Travel Policy and renew annually. (Policy stated below)

On a voice vote, this resolution was unanimously approved.

Based upon the NYS Governor's Travel Advisories, and in order to protect the health and safety of MPD personnel, the MPD has enacted this Travel Policy. Any essential employee who voluntarily travels to any non-contiguous state or restricted country, as defined by the NYS Department of Health, at the time of the employee's return to the State:

- *Shall be subject to Self-quarantine for 3 days upon returning to New York, and may return to work upon producing proof of a negative Covid-19 test administered after the third day of quarantine.*
- *Shall not be eligible for Covid-19 sick benefits for the time spent in quarantine*
- *Shall be considered on unpaid leave until his or her quarantine period has ended and the employee returns to work.*
- *May elect to use his or her accumulated sick, vacation, or personal time in lieu of "unpaid leave"*
- *Upon returning to work must Adhere to the following practices prior to and during his or her work shift:*
 - *self-monitor for a temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit every 12 hours*
 - *self-monitor for signs of COVID- 19*
 - *wear a face mask at all times while in the workplace, Including while engaged in employment outdoors*

- *Continue social distancing practices, including maintaining at least six feet of distance from others.*
- *clean and disinfect workspaces, On a regular basis as to prevent the possible spread of the infection.*

This Policy is intended to be consistent with the guidance issued by the New York State Department of Health, which is subject to amendments and modifications, which has been frequent during the course of the Covid-19 pandemic. The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to modify and amend these policies from time to time, and to grant exceptions to the rules contained herein, on a case by case basis, when the Board determines that doing so is in the best interests of the District and its employees.

Motion was made to enter into Executive Session by David Paterson, Motion seconded by Mark Sauvigne and all voted “aye”

Executive Session started at 6:40 P.M. to discuss funds and personnel.

Motion was made to close Executive Session by Kenneth Weigand, motion seconded by David Paterson, all voted “aye” at 7: 00 P.M.

2. Medicare

The Commissioners discussed the Medicare reimbursement for retirees. There needs to be some clarification regarding the reimbursements being claimed in a timely manner. The following was proposed:

WHEREAS, retirees pay for Medicare part B premiums and receive a statement each year which may be submitted to the MPD for reimbursement,

WHEREAS, the MPD reimburses the full amount of Medicare part B premium upon receiving the claim in accordance with MPD policy

WHEREAS, For the MPD to maintain proper records and provide appropriate reimbursement in accordance with MPD Policy, claims for reimbursement must be submitted in a timely manner;

THEN THEREFORE Request for reimbursement must be made within 24 months following the year end date of the statement. (E.g. Statement for year ending December 31, 2020 can only be submitted and reimbursed through December 31, 2022).

The following was proposed:

WHEREAS, Retirees who elect to pay Medicare Part D premiums receive a statement each year reflecting the amount of such premiums,

WHEREAS, although this is not a mandatory reimbursement, the MPD reimburses the full amount of Medicare part D premium upon receiving the claim,

WHEREAS, for the MPD to maintain proper records and provide appropriate reimbursement in accordance with MPD Policy, claims for reimbursement must be submitted in a timely manner

THEN THEREFORE, Request for reimbursement must be made within 12 months following the year end date of the statement. (E.g. Statement for year ending December 31, 2020 can only be submitted and reimbursed through December 31, 2021).

On a voice vote, this resolution was unanimously approved.

3. Rotary Club Project

The Manhasset Greater Council discussed a Rotary Club Project. The project is run by Jenny Hubbard, who lost her daughter Catherine in the Sandy Hook School Shootings. On Catherine's birthday every year, the CVH Animal Sanctuary has a huge event where they tag and release Monarch Butterflies. These butterflies and other pollinators need habitat. Jenny has formed a kit where a 10 x 10 garden of milkweed and wildflowers indigenous to this area can be planted to increase that habitat. They are looking for local districts to purchase the kits and help advance the project to make Manhasset a prettier and kinder community to live in.

The Commissioners discussed and have decided to purchase 2 kits to be planted at Patriots Park.

Having no other items on the agenda, Motion was made by David Paterson, Chair to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Kenneth Weigand and all voted "aye".

Meeting ended at 7:36 P.M.

Subscribed in Manhasset, New York
On the 22nd of February 2021

By: _____
David Paterson
Chair

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By: _____
Mark Sauvigne
Treasurer

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Kenneth Weigand
Secretary