

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
RIVER TRAILS PARK DISTRICT,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD AT
401 E. CAMP MC DONALD ROAD IN SAID DISTRICT
ON THE FIRST DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.**

The President called the meeting to order and directed the Secretary to call the roll. Upon roll being called, the following Commissioners answered present: Edward W. Rechner, James L. Murphy Lois B. Hauge, Jack Cerniglia and Gail Dieterich. Also present were Director Bret Fahnstrom, Superintendent of Parks Tom Pope, Superintendent of Recreation Patti Mitchell and Recording Secretary Moira Zale. Superintendent of Finance Steve Cummins was absent.

II. Guests Present: None

III. The Agenda for September 1, 2016 was submitted for approval. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve said agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hauge and approved by common consent.

IV. The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 18, 2016 were submitted for approval. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve said minutes as presented. Commissioner Hauge seconded the motion which was approved by common consent.

V. Treasurer Bret Fahnstrom presented the Treasurer's Reports for July 2016. After discussion, Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Commissioner Cerniglia seconded the motion which was approved by common consent.

VI. Communications.

a. Director Fahnstrom presented the Director's Report.

It is hard to believe summer is coming to an end! On August 2nd RTPD National Night Out which was held at Mt. Prospect Park District. This year's Glow in the Hole Foundation event was a great success with 36 teams attending. Staff is preparing for the Labor Day Picnic on Monday, September 5th. Director Fahnstrom, Superintendent's Mitchell and Pope will be attending the NRPA Conference in St. Louis October 4th – 8th.

b. Superintendent Mitchell presented the July 2016 Golf Financial Report. Even with this July being a hot month, there were 72 more rounds of golf played this year than last July. Superintendent Mitchell discussed the increase in the golf operations expenses. Rich Zubek, BCG General Manager of Rob Roy has been working on new golf specials and marketing upcoming events. There has been an extension granted for RTPD to review the renewal of contract with BCG that was due to expire August 31, 2016. Director Fahnstrom will review the new contract and talk with BCG regarding the changes discussed.

c. Miscellaneous Communications.

Legislative Updates: Discussion of bill **SB 3005/ Public Act 99-0884** that will make changes to the criminal background provisions of the Park District Code and effective immediately. This new law adjusts the lifetime employment ban for certain non-violent offenses.

IAPD: On Wednesday, August 24th a survey was sent to every member agency director and board president. IAPD encourages the agency to complete this information that will be the basis of their advocacy efforts for the next General Assembly session.

VII. Old Business: None

VIII. New Business:

- a. **NWSRA Celebrate Ability Gala** will be held on Friday, November 11th, please let Director Fahnstrom know if you will be attending.
- b. **IAPD/IPRA State Conference** will be held on January 27 – 28, 2017. Please let Director Fahnstrom know if you will be attending.
- c. **Mid-Year IT Update.** A hand-out with the present status of 2016 expenditures and projects related was discussed.
- d. The **October 6' 2016 Board Meeting** will need to be cancelled. Bret, Patti and Tom will be attending the NRPA Conference in St. Louis October 4th – 8th.

IX. Commissioners Comments:

- Director Fahnstrom discussed a hand-out with four complaint letters that were received regarding the pool hours availability at the end of the 2016 season. Director Fahnstrom has made preliminary contact with two of the residents and discussed with the Board this evening some possible future resolutions.
- Commissioner Murphy attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Mt. Prospect Ice Arena. It is a very nice facility.
- Commissioner Rechner discussed volunteers help for upcoming community events through local Corporations and their employee volunteer programs.

X. Executive Session was not needed

XI. Action as a result of the Executive Session: N/A

XII. Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

President

Secretary