

**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 FOURTH DAY OF OCTOBER 2018
IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING**

The Public Hearing for the issuance of \$5,500,000 General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) was conducted prior to the Regular Board Meeting.

- I.** The President called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and directed the roll to be called. Upon roll being called, the following Commissioners answered present: Edward W. Rechner, Lois B. Hauge, Nancy Parra, and Gail Dieterich. Also present were Director Bret Fahnstrom, Superintendent of Finance Steve Cummins, and Superintendent of Parks Tom Pope.
- II.** Visitors Present: None
- III.** The Agenda for October 4, 2018 was submitted for approval as presented. Commissioner Hauge moved to approve said agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dieterich and approved by common consent.
- IV.** The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 20, 2018 were submitted for approval. Commissioner Parra moved to approve said minutes as presented. Commissioner Dieterich seconded the motion which was approved by common consent.
- V.** Approval of the Treasures Report for August 2018. The report was presented by Superintendent of Finance Cummins. Cummins highlighted that tax revenue money came in one month earlier this year in July vs. August last year. He also stated that YTD Profit/Loss is \$100k ahead of 2017. After discussion of the report, Commissioner Hauge motioned the approval of the Treasures report and it was seconded by Commissioner Dieterich.
- VI.** Communications
 - a. Director's Report. Director Fahnstrom presented the Director's Report. He highlights the upcoming events OCR Challenge (10/6), Monster Bash (10/19) and NWSRA Gala (11/2).
 - b. Golf Financial Report. Superintendent Cummins presented the August 2018 Golf Financial Report. August rounds of golf were noted to be down. Both the Pro Shop revenues and expenses were down, as well as golf labor. Overall through August, the YTD BCG budget is behind by (\$22,022). Cummins suggested obtaining comparative data from surrounding golf courses to compare trends and operational results.
 - c. Recreation Facility Use Report. Director Fahnstrom presented the quarterly information for the 3 areas
 - i. Facility Rentals overall are down a little but the number is pretty insignificant. The total number of actual rentals is down 49 from 2017 but the financials are only down a total of \$1,600.
 - ii. The Fitness Club is down about 9% from 2017 which is more significant. Though we have also seen an increase in revenue due to Silver Sneakers (\$483.66/mo in 2018). The district will be looking at the future of this facility during the time we will evaluate the needs of renovations at Weiss.
 - iii. Field Permits have a modest (3%) increase vs 2017

- d. Foundation Bi-Annual Report. Director Fahnstrom presented the Foundation report. Discussion around the Glow in the Hole event, Coupon book sales and OCR sponsorships. Overall, the Foundation is in a good place as it continues to change and grow.
- e. Comprehensive Master Plan Update Trimester #2. Director Fahnstrom presented the Comprehensive Master Plan status. Fahnstrom discussed the specific questions and talking points the board wanted to address.
- f. Miscellaneous Communications.
 - i. Letter from Congressman Mike Quigley regarding the Land and Water Conservation Fund.
 - ii. Email from Senator Richard Durbin regarding the Land and Water Conservation Fund.
 Commissioner Dieterich also communicated to Sen. Tammi Duckworth
- g. NRPA recap. Commissioners Dieterich and Parra discussed their experiences at the NRPA conference in Indianapolis. They highlighted points they brought from their attended sessions. Director Fahnstrom highlighted the sessions he attended. All in all, the conference was a great success and there was a significant amount we were able to bring back to the district. Parra and Dieterich were both grateful to be given the opportunity to attend this year.
- h. NRPA 2019 Interest. Director Fahnstrom collected interest sheets for the NPRA Conference in Baltimore, MD held on September 24-26, 2019.

VII. Old Business

- a. Burning Bush and Aspen Trails Parks. Director Fahnstrom has continued the communication with the Village of Mount Prospect. Sean Dorsey is creating an initial list of points which will eventually become the foundation of the IGA for both the Burning Bush and Aspen Trails park projects.

VIII. New Business

- a. None

IX. Commissioner Comments

- a. Commissioner Hauge noted the Taste of Wheeling in the newspaper. Commissioner Parra stated how friendly and helpful Rich from Rob Roy has been.

X. Executive Session None

XI. Action as a Result of Executive Session None

XII. There being no further business to discuss, there was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Parra. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dieterich and approved by common consent. The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

President

Secretary