

**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 SEVENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.**

- I. The President called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and directed Patti Mitchell, Superintendent of Recreation to call the roll. Upon roll being called, the following Commissioners answered present: Edward W. Rechner, Lois B. Hauge, Gail Dieterich, and Nancy Parra. Commissioner Jack Cerniglia was absent. Also present were Director Bret Fahnstrom, Superintendent of Finance Steve Cummins, and Superintendent of Parks Tom Pope.
- II. Visitors Present: Annita Caputo, Joe Caputo, Anthony Micel Speer Financial, Aaron Gold Speer Financial, Christine Powles Communications and Marketing Manager, and Debbie Yakimisky Recreation Supervisor.
- III. Employee of the Season. Commissioner Dieterich presented Annita Caputo with the Employee of the Season award.
- IV. The Agenda for February 7, 2019 was submitted for approval. Commissioner Dieterich moved to approve said agenda with the suggested changes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parra and approved by common consent.
- V. The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 17, 2019 were submitted for approval. Commissioner Hauge moved to approve said minutes as presented. Commissioner Dieterich seconded the motion which was approved by common consent.
- VI. Ordinance 19.02.07A. Superintendent of Finance Cummins presented a summary sheet on the ordinance providing for the issue of \$853,105 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2019. Anthony Micel from Speer Financial explained the issue was upsized to optimize the Bond Fund Debt Service Extension Base and it is recommended that out of the 5 bids received, the Bonds be awarded to Mount Prospect State Bank at a revised price of \$858,400 with a net interest rate of 2.14%. Commissioner Parra motioned to adopt the ordinance as presented and it was seconded by Commissioner Hauge. Upon roll being called, the Commissioners voted as follows:

AYE: Ed Rechner, Lois B. Hauge, Nancy Parra, and Gail Dieterich
NAY: None
ABSENT: Jack Cerniglia
- VII. Communications
 - a. Annual Communications and Marketing Report. Communications and Marketing Manager Christine Powles discussed the success of our district's website and the volume of users reached on Facebook.

- b. Director's Report. Director Fahnstrom highlighted the IAPD/IPRA State Conference in January that was attended by 13 staff members. The OSLAD presentation in Springfield was successful. Upcoming February events include Mommy and Me Tea and the Freeze Fest at the Zone.
- c. Organizational Goals update. Director Fahnstrom spoke about the 2018-2020 Annual Goals. He emphasized the following goals of long term financial stability, strengthening programming and services, and focusing on the RTPD foundation.
- d. Foundation Update. Director Fahnstrom presented the Bi-Annual Report stating 2018 was a very good year for the Foundation. Highlights included OCR Sponsorships, coupon book sales, turtle race sales, and tree sales.
- e. Miscellaneous Communications. 2018 Audit Procedures with Sikich. Superintendent Cummins reviewed with the board that as part of the 2018 annual standard audit procedures, their input will be sought from Sikich in written questionnaire form.

VIII. Old Business

- a. Burning Bush Trails Park status. Director Fahnstrom presented for 3 minutes in Springfield on January 22 for the OSLAD grant. He was pleased to announce that River Trails Park District was awarded \$400,000 in OSLAD grant monies. The Inter-Governmental Agreement with the Village of Mt. Prospect will be discussed at their next village board meeting, possibly March 12th, the Board will be updated.

IX. New Business

- a. Ordinance 19.02.07- 2019 Budget and Appropriations. Director Fahnstrom stated there were no significant changes to the 2019 annual Budget and Appropriation since the last version presented. Commissioner Hauge motioned to adopt the ordinance as presented and it was seconded by Commissioner Parra. Upon roll being called, the Commissioners voted as follows:

AYE: Ed Rechner, Lois B. Hauge, Nancy Parra, and Gail Dieterich
 NAY: None
 ABSENT: Jack Cerniglia

X. Commissioner Comments

- a. Commissioner Rechner inquired as to whether there were any issues with water from the extreme cold temperatures. Superintendent Pope stated there were none.

XI. Executive Session None

XII. Action as a Result of Executive Session None

XIII. There being no further business to discuss, there was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Dieterich. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hauge. The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

President

Secretary