

**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 NINETEENTH DAY OF DECEMBER 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.**

- I.** The President called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and directed Carole Dohse, Accounting and Administrative Assistant to call the roll. Upon roll being called, the following Commissioners answered present: Edward W. Rechner, Nancy Parra, and Gail Dieterich. Commissioner Jack Cerniglia arrived at 7:18 p.m., and Commissioner Jennifer Rezek was absent. Also present were Director Bret Fahnstrom, Superintendent of Finance Steve Cummins, and Superintendent of Recreation Patti Mitchell.
- II.** Visitors Present: None
- III.** The Agenda for December 19, 2019 was submitted for approval. Commissioner Parra moved to approve said agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dieterich and approved by common consent.
- IV.** Consent Agenda
- a. Approval of Minutes for the Public Hearing of December 5, 2019
 - b. Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 5, 2019
 - c. Approval of Minutes for the Special Meeting of December 10, 2019
 - d. Approval of Voucher List of Bills for November 16-December 13, 2019
 - e. Approval of Treasurer's Report for October 2019

Commissioner Dieterich moved to approve Consent Agenda items as presented. Commissioner Parra seconded the motion, and upon roll being called, the Commissioners voted as follows:

AYE: Ed Rechner, Nancy Parra, Jack Cerniglia, Gail Dieterich
NAY: None
ABSENT: Jennifer Rezek

- V.** Communications
- a. Staff Report for the Parks Department. Director Fahnstrom reported on the positive feedback received on the new Parkour space at the Zone. The power feed at Burning Bush was repaired. The demolition phase at Burning Bush park is complete. Twenty-nine small native trees were planted at Woodland Trails Park.
 - b. IAPD The Capstone of a Decade. Director Fahnstrom circulated the 2019 Annual Report.
- VI.** Old Business
- a. Draft Budge V.2. Director Fahnstrom walked the Board through the significant items that changed from the 2019 to the 2020 budget including wages, contractual agreements and postage. He highlighted changes from the prior version handed out at the last Board Meeting.

VII. New Business

- a. 2020 Pay Grade Structure. Director Fahnstrom discussed the benefits of adopting an updated pay grade structure for full time hiring and annual salary increases. Following discussion, Commissioner Cerniglia move to accept the January 1, 2020 Pay Grade structure as recommended to the Board. Commissioner Dieterich seconded the motion and approved by common consent.

VIII. Commissioner Comments

- a. Commissioner Rechner talked about a recent Daily Herald article regarding Rob Roy and the Wheeling Park District.
- b. Commissioner Dieterich inquired about parking lot lights.

IX. Executive Session. At 8:49 p.m., motion was made by Commissioner Dieterich to go into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parra.

X. Action as a Result of Executive Session.

- a. Commissioner Parra motions to accept the consensus Proposed Merit Pool increase for full time employees. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cerniglia

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NAY: None
ABSENT: Jennifer Rezek

- b. No action taken on Personnel

XI. There being no further business to discuss, there was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Cerniglia. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parra. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

President

Secretary