

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
RIVER TRAILS PARK DISTRICT,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD VIA VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING
IN SAID DISTRICT ON THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF APRIL 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.**

- I. The President called the virtual meeting via Zoom to order at 7:02 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, Gail Dieterich, and Jack Cerniglia. Commissioner Jennifer Rezek was absent. Also present were Director Bret Fahnstrom, Superintendent of Finance Steve Cummins, Superintendent of Parks Tom Pope, and Superintendent of Recreation Patti Mitchell.
- II. Visitors Present: None
- III. The Agenda for April 16, 2020 was submitted for approval. Commissioner Dieterich moved to approve said agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parra and approved by common consent.
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting of April 2, 2020
 - b. Approval of Voucher List of Bills for March 21 – April 3, 2020

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

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

- V. Communications
 - a. Staff Report – Parks and Facilities. Superintendent Pope reported on what the staff has been working on including deep cleaning, inventory and pool preparation. Each of the parks and facilities are inspected on a regular basis. Keeping people out of the parks has been going well to abide with current guidelines. Caution tape is closing off the playgrounds and outdoor athletic fields have been locked up.
 - b. Statement of Economic Interest Forms reminder. Director Fahnstrom reminded the Board to complete the questionnaire and to provide a copy to him when done.
- VI. Old Business
 - a. Board Strategic Planning. Will be discussed at future Board meeting in May.

VII. New Business

- a. 2020 Mowing Contract. RTPD publicly posted a bid for contract mowing of several park and school sites for a one year, renewable contract. Three bids were received. Following discussion, Commissioner Cerniglia motioned to accept the bid submitted by Gilio Landscaping for \$37,604.00 for the year 2020. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parra. Upon the roll being called, the Commissioners voted as follows:

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

- b. Review of the User Policy and Regulation Manual. Director Fahnstrom walked the Board through the updated manual and highlighted changes made to the prior version. Following discussion, Commissioner Parra made a motion to approve the manual updates as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cerniglia and approved by common consent.

VIII. Commissioner Comments

- a. Commissioner Dieterich inquired about fitness memberships and future usage of passes.
- b. Commissioner Cerniglia asked about buying pool passes.
- c. Commissioner Parra commented the RTPD website with very helpful videos and links which are great resources for activities.
- d. Commissioner Rechner talked about the work progress at Burning Bush park

- IX. Executive Session.** At 7:33 p.m., a motion was made by Commissioner Parra to go into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cerniglia.

- X. Action as a Result of Executive Session.**

- a. No Action Needed

- XI.** There being no further business to discuss, there was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Dieterich. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cerniglia. The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

President

Secretary