

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
RIVER TRAILS PARK DISTRICT,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD
AT 505 E. CAMP MCDONALD ROAD IN SAID DISTRICT
ON THE THIRD DAY OF MARCH 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.**

- I. The President called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and directed Carole Dohse, Accounting and Administrative Assistant to call the roll. Upon the roll being called, the following Commissioners answered present: Jennifer Rezek, Edward Rechner, Nancy Parra. and Robert Hoban III. Commissioners Leah Lussem was absent. Also present were Director Bret Fahnstrom, Superintendent of Finance Steve Cummins, and Superintendent of Recreation Patti Mitchell.
- II. Visitors Present: Frank Fiarito, School District 26 Board Member. Mr. Fiarito sent an email to Director Fahnstrom thanking the Park District and their leadership for the strong partnership with the school district. He noted the before and after school programs are a great benefit to the students and parents. He ended by saying that a strong combination of school district and park district, that offer great programs, is what attracts many families to live in our neighborhoods.
- III. The Agenda for March 3, 2022 was submitted for approval. Commissioner Parra moved to approve said agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rechner and approved by common consent.
- IV. Approval of Minutes for the Public Hearing Meeting of February 17, 2022. Commissioner Rechner moved to approve the Minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parra and approved by common consent.
- V. Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting of February 17, 2022. Commissioner Parra moved to approve the Minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rechner and approved by common consent.
- VI. Approval of Treasurer's Report for January 2022. Commissioner Rechner moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for January 2022 as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoban III and approved by common consent.
- VII. Communications
 - a. Director's Report. Director Fahnstrom said he will be attending the Legislative reception & Workshop in Springfield March 8th/9TH. The Rotary Classic 5000 will be held at Rob Roy on April 2nd. Upcoming events include the Easter Egg and Scavenger Hunts on April 9th, Earth Day event on April 23rd, and the Dance recital on April 2nd. Significant Projects include the delivery of the Rob Roy golf carts, Active Threat training to be held, and the Rob Roy Bunkers repair and reduction.
 - b. Rob Roy Update. Director Fahnstrom updated the Board on the status the Rob Roy Golf Course. Rounds of golf can be reserved starting on March 18th. The golf course is expected to open on April 1st weather dependent. General Manager, Louis Eckenbrecht is working on inventory needs. The new fleet of 36 golf carts has been delivered. A license agreement has been developed for a 3rd party concessionaire to run the Food and Beverage portion of Rob Roy - there are 2 potential clients for the advertised RFP.
 - c. Burning Bush Trails Park playground donation. Director Fahnstrom circulated a picture of the old Burning Bush Trails Park playground equipment that was donated to the "Kids Around the World" Program and relocated to Punta Gorda, Belize

d. Miscellaneous Communications.

- i. Quarter #2 Board Meeting locations. Following discussion, the Board Meetings starting in April will be held at 401 E. Camp McDonald Road, Prospect Heights, IL.
- ii. Tom Pope. Director Fahnstrom invited discussion on recognition of Tom Pope for his years of dedicated service to the Park District. A Policy will be drafted and presented at a future Board meeting.
- iii. IAPD 2022 Calendar of Events. Director Fahnstrom circulated the 2022 IAPD Calendar of Events.

VIII. Old Business None

IX. New Business

- a. Golf Fairway Mower Purchase. Director Fahnstrom stated the Rob Roy Golf Course needs to replace the existing fairway mower that is beyond its useful life. Following discussion, Commissioner Parra motioned to approve the purchase of the 2016 JOHN DEERE 7500A HYBRID DIESEL fairway mower for \$36,415 and it was seconded by Commissioner Hoban III. Upon the roll being called, the Commissioners voted as follows:

AYE: Ed Rechner, Nancy Parra, Jennifer Rezek, and Robert Hoban III
NAY: None
ABSENT: Leah Lussem

X. Commissioner Comments

- a. Commissioner Rechner mentioned an email received regarding interest in purchasing the Zone building.
- b. Commissioner Parra suggested the website on-line calendar be updated.

XI. Executive Session. None

XII. Action as a Result of the Executive Session. None

XIII. Adjournment. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

President

Secretary