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**MINUTES
RECREATION COMMITTEE
July 16, 2019**

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Recreation Committee was held on July 16, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: Chairman K. Evans, Commissioner Chhatwani, Comm Rep Henderson, Macdonald, Neel, Wittkamp

Absent: Comm Rep Dressler

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Director of Finance and Administration Hopkins, Director of Recreation Kapusinski, Director of Parks, Planning and Maintenance Hugen, Director of Golf and Facilities Bechtold

Audience: President Kaplan, Commissioners Kilbridge, R. Evans, McGinn, Kinnane, Comm Reps Sernett, Poeschel, Wilson, Aguilar, Veronico, Sponsor/Adv Manager Ney

2. Approval of Agenda:

Comm Rep Neel made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Macdonald to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

3. Approval of the Minutes:

Comm Rep Macdonald made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Neel to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2019 meeting as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Comments from the Audience:

None

5. Old Business:

None

6. New Business:

A. Update on plans for The Club/M19-072:

Director Bechtold reviewed the item noting that the consultant, Mark Davis had been on-site and made recommendations to help separate The Club from their competition. Comm Rep Macdonald asked if the functional fitness was not the same as cross fitness and Director Bechtold said it was not truly cross fit but similar components.

Comm Rep Neel asked if there was a plan to attract trainers for the equipment and Director Bechtold explained there was a need but they did not have a plan as of yet.

Commissioner McGinn asked about the Kids Korner and if it needed to be open when The Club was and Director Bechtold explained that they would not need to be but instead were looking to re-work the area to offer options for teens. Executive Director Talsma also noted that they were looking to offer teen fitness programming.

Chairman K. Evans asked about the tire flips being dangerous and Director Bechtold explained that the participants would be monitored by staff. Chairman K. Evans asked about a women's only area and Director Bechtold noted it would be small and for stretching and yoga. He explained that it was a popular item but more of a small niche to get participants started in fitness.

Chairman K. Evans noted that while he understood that staff did not have the consultant's report at the time, he believed the committee should be reviewing those plans and not just having information for consideration. Executive Director Talsma noted that with the August Park Tour, the next scheduled Recreation Committee would not be until September and staff was concerned about being able to implement the plans prior to the next selling season.

Comm Rep Henderson asked if there would be actual recommendations on this item. Executive Director Talsma noted that the committee could choose to meet in August for the purpose of reviewing this plan or the item could be budgeted for the following year.

It was determined to hold a special Recreation Committee meeting August 13, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. to present the plans for The Club. The committee was in agreement.

Comm Rep Aguilar asked if it was more of a repurposing of space and Director Bechtold noted that it was.

No vote was taken as the plans would be presented to the next Recreation Committee meeting August 13, 2019.

B. Recreation Report and 2Q Goals/M19-070:

Director Kapusinski distributed an Activity Enrollment report. She also introduced Mr. Jeff Ney the new Sponsorship and Advertising Manager. Director Kapusinski noted that next month the committee would meet the new Recreation Superintendent.

Director Kapusinski explained that the ELC program expanded over the summer to include field trips to other facilities and other classes to make the program more interesting. She also noted that they had hired a new hockey coach, Anthony Perisi, who was very popular with the ice program.

Chairman K. Evans asked if they would do social media on Commissioner Raj Chhatwani and Director Kapusinski noted that it was already planned. She also explained that Amita had renewed their contract with the district.

President Kaplan asked about the opening of the fitness court and Director Hugen said it would be in time for Party in the Park with a ribbon cutting ceremony and demonstrations.

Comm Rep Macdonald asked if the next Activity Enrollment report could put cancelled and active classes next to each other for comparison. He also asked about per person profit and Executive Director Talsma explained that some classes (new and tax supported) were run below minimums.

Comm Rep Neel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to send the Rec Report and 2Q Goals/M19-070 to the board as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. Golf & Facilities Report and 2Q Goals/M19-069:

Director Bechtold reviewed the report.

Comm Rep Sernett asked about the multi leaks in the irrigation and Director Bechtold noted it was primarily #7 sprinkler and typical for the course.

Comm Rep Macdonald made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to send the report to the board as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

7. **Committee Member Comments:**

Comm Rep Neel thanked staff for the detailed reports.

Commissioner Chhatwani said she was waiting to see the end of month numbers and very happy to be on the committee.

Comm Rep Macdonald said the splash pad was great.

Chairman K. Evans noted that the parade and float were awesome and reminded all that the next Rec Committee would be August 13, 2019 at 7 p.m. at the Triphahn Center.

8. Adjournment:

Comm Rep Neel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma
Secretary

Peg Kusmierski
Recording Secretary