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MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1044
August 27, 2019

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Board of Commissioners was held on August 27, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: President Kaplan; Commissioners Chhatwani, K. Evans, R. Evans, Kilbridge, Kinnane, and McGinn

Absent: None

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: Comm Rep Utas, Wilson, and Musial; Victor Katis of 2035 Bridlewood, Linda and Bill Graba of 870 W. Firestone Dr

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Everyone present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Kinnane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kilbridge to amend the agenda to include Executive Session for the purpose of:

- A. The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body pursuant to Section 2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act.
- B. Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of an employee pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act.

Motion carried by voice vote

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner K. Evans to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Awards:

A. BOH:

Coach Mallory Whalen was awarded the BOH for her role as head soccer coach for grades 1-6 and her tremendous service to the kids and the district.

5. Comments from the Audience:

Mr. Katis distributed diagrams showing the current and proposed tennis/pickle ball courts at Fabbrini Park. He introduced himself to the board noting that he had been a Community Rep on the A&F Committee for many years, just recently moving. He also explained that he knew the district would be entering their budget process and wanted to present a plan to increase the number of pickle ball courts at Fabbrini from 6 to 10 requesting that the 2nd tennis court be replaced. He noted that pickle ball was the number one growing sport in the US and that Hoffman Estates had a great reputation in this field and hoped that the board would give consideration to the proposal.

Mr. Graba addressed the board noting that he and his wife has started the pickle ball program at The Club and set the standard for the State of Illinois. He explained that they average 40 – 60 players a day on only 4 courts 7 days a week and that the program had grown from 0 participants to over 400. He explained that they had outgrown the facility and were looking to expand.

President Kaplan thanked Mr. Katis and Mr. and Mrs. Graba for presenting their proposal noting that staff would look into the issue.

Commissioner Kilbridge asked if they were still using Olmstead and it was noted that there was some play there but the primary playing area was Fabbrini. Mr. Graba noted that nationally the sport had grown from 15,000 to 150,000 participants in 6 years. It was noted that they also played indoors at The Club (advanced players) and at TC (beginners and less advanced).

6. Recess for A&F Committee Meeting:

Commissioner Kilbridge made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to recess the Board Meeting at 7:15 p.m. for the purpose of convening the A&F Committee meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

7. Reconvene Following A&F Committee Meeting:

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to reconvene to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:50 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Present: President Kaplan; Commissioners Chhatwani, K. Evans, R. Evans, Kilbridge, Kinnane, and McGinn

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: None

8. Approval of the Minutes:

Commissioner K. Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kinnane to approve the minutes of the FP Meeting July 16, 2019; Special Board July 16, 2019; Regular Board July 12, 2019 meetings as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

9. Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Kilbridge made a motion, seconded by Commissioner R. Evans to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- A. Amended and Restated Bond Ordinance O19-004 / M19-086 (see August A&F packet)
- B. NWSRA Assessment Resolution R19-004 / M19-076 (see August A&F packet)
- C. Open and Paid Invoice Register: \$621,390.74 (see August A&F packet)
- D. Revenue and Expenditure Report (see August A&F packet)
- E. Acceptance of Rec Minutes 7/16/2019 (see August Rec packet)
- F. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 7/23/2019 (see August A&F packet)

On a Roll Call: Carried

Ayes: 7 Chhatwani, K. Evans, R. Evans, Kilbridge, Kinnane, McGinn, Kaplan

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

10. Presidents Report:

President Kaplan noted that the PIP was a great event; that he had used the outdoor exercise equipment and it was a good addition to the district. He asked that any board member emailing Executive Director Talsma to also copy him.

11. Executive Director's Report:

Commissioner Kinnane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to adopt the Executive Director's Report as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

Executive Director Talsma noted that he was aware of the 3 emails from Club members regarding the removal of the tennis courts and that he had created a letter to address their concerns. It was board consensus to have the Executive Director respond to the emails.

12. Old Business:

None

13. New Business:

A. Public Hearing on Proposal to Sell Bonds/M19-085:

President Kaplan called the Bond Issue Notification Act or BINA Hearing to order at 7:55 p.m.

President Kaplan announced that the notice of the public BINA hearing was published in the Daily Herald on August 19, 2019 in accordance with the act. Proof of publication is to be included in the minutes.

He also explained that the purpose of the public BINA hearing is to provide members of the public the opportunity to provide comments to the Board on the proposed bonds and provided an overview of the Proposed General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds as follows:

Bonds will be issued in one or more series over the next three years.
The total amount of the bonds to be issued over the next three year in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.

Purpose of Bonds is to provide for capital improvements to and maintenance of park district facilities including but not limited to renovation of various park facilities, improvements to the golf course, the purchase of equipment and buildings, and paying any necessary costs of issuance and expenses incident thereto. Projects are initially identified in the District Capital Improvement Plan and Budget.

President Kaplan opened the floor for comment by the public. There were no comments.

Commissioner K. Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to close the public hearing at 7:57 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

14. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner K. Evans noted that he celebrated his birthday at Fabbrini Park and presented a picture painted of the park as a gift from his nephew.

Commissioner Kinnane noted that his children were back in school and he would become a regular again at district facilities.

Commissioner McGinn noted that he enjoyed the Volunteer Appreciation night at Seascape and the park tour.

Commissioner Kilbridge noted that she liked the extended pool hours.

Commissioner R. Evans said he liked the park tour and suggested offering it to residents and/or 50+ to introduce them to all the parks at the district. He also noted that he enjoyed the Village Green summer concert and asked if the district did not get more acknowledgement for our participation. Executive Director Talsma noted that the park district was mentioned in all the publications but staff will check on additional acknowledgement.

Commissioner Chhatwani said she like PIP and the park tour. She thanked staff for their hard work.

15. Executive Session:

Commissioner Kilbridge made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to move to Executive Session at 8:05 pm for the purpose of:

- A. The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body pursuant to Section 2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act.
- B. Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of an employee pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act.

On A Roll Call: Carried 7-0-0

Ayes: 7 Chhatwani, K. Evans, R. Evans, Kilbridge, Kinnane, McGinn, Kaplan

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner R. Evans to reconvene to regular session at 8:52 pm. The motion carried by voice vote.

16. Adjournment:

Commissioner Kilbridge made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kinnane to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma
Secretary

Peg Kusmierski
Recording Secretary