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**MINUTES  
RECREATION & FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING  
January 19, 2021**

**1. Roll Call:**

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Recreation & Facilities Committee was held on January 19, 2021 at 7:33 p.m. remotely via ZOOM.

Present: Chairman K. Evans, Commissioner Chhatwani, Comm Reps Beranek, Dressler, Macdonald, MacGregor

Absent: Comm Rep Henderson

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Director of Recreation Kapusinski, Director of Parks, Planning & Maintenance Hugen, Director of Golf & Facilities Bechtold, Executive Assistant Logan

Audience: President Kaplan, Commissioners R. Evans, McGinn; Comm Rep Aguilar

**2. Approval of Agenda:**

Commissioner Chhatwani made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Macdonald to approve the agenda as presented.

On a Roll Call: Carried 6-0-1  
Ayes: 6 Chhatwani, Beranek, Dressler, Macdonald, MacGregor, K. Evans  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 1 Henderson

**3. Approval of the Minutes:**

Comm Rep Dressler made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep MacGregor to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2020 meeting as presented.

On a Roll Call: Carried 6-0-1  
Ayes: 6 Chhatwani, Beranek, Dressler, Macdonald, MacGregor, K. Evans  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 1 Henderson

**4. Comments from the Audience:**

None

**5. Old Business:**

None

**6. New Business:**

A. Rec Board Report and 4Q Goals / M21-002:

Director Kapusinski gave a brief overview of what staff were able to accomplish under the very strict COVID-19 restrictions. She highlighted the Santa Drive-by event and a Holiday Light event. Staff were able to offer private lessons and it was noted these were very successful especially for hockey, figure skating, and basketball.

Director Kapusinski provided an overview of what is allowed to be offered now that the region has moved to Tier 2. Registration for in-person classes and group lessons started today, January 19. Fitness remains the same with reservations required for fitness center use and face masks still required. We can allow facility rentals with small group size limitations. For sports, practices are allowed, but no games yet.

It was noted the Chicago Wolves are going to be playing their home games at the Triphahn Center and these are in addition to their normal practices. With this, there are very strict COVID-19 guidelines that must be enforced in order to ensure the safety of the players and hockey staff, which staff are happy to abide by. These games will be closed to fans.

Comm Rep MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to send the Rec Board Report and 4Q Goals to the Board as presented.

On a Roll Call: Carried 6-0-1  
Ayes: 6 Chhatwani, Beranek, Dressler, Macdonald, MacGregor,  
K. Evans  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 1 Henderson

B. Facilities Board Report and 4Q Goals / M21-001:

Director Bechtold noted that despite being closed for approximately two months due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the golf course did very well this year hosting over 10% more than the number of rounds hosted in 2019. Director Bechtold noted the golf course has been closed for the season and the winterizing process has been completed.

Director Bechtold and staff have been working with WT Engineering on the plans for the Range Enhancement project.

Director Bechtold noted The Club facility usage is at approximately 72% of normal usage for this time of year. The Club staff continue to enforce the facemask rules at the fitness center despite receiving some kickback from a couple patrons.

In regards to moving into Tier 2 today, Director Bechtold noted group fitness classes have started with a cap of 10 people. He added pickleball has started again and other rentals such as non-contact basketball skills sessions have started, too.

Commissioner Chhatwani asked if the fitness center staff will start to take the temperature for each patron before they enter the facility. Executive Director Talsma noted PDRMA has advised that we do not take the temperatures of patrons.

It was noted aquatic classes will be starting and reservations will need to be made on the MyZone app. The activity pool is available for reservations up to 10 people per reservation window.

Comm Rep MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to send the Facilities Board Report and the 4Q Goals to the Board as presented.

On a Roll Call:	Carried 6-0-1
Ayes:	6 Chhatwani, Beranek, Dressler, Macdonald, MacGregor, K. Evans
Nays:	0
Absent:	1 Henderson

7. **Committee Member Comments:**

Comm Rep MacGregor is excited to be using the dog park pass at Freedom Run.

Comm Rep Dressler thanked Director Kapusinski and Missy Motyka-Ciavarella for the private skating lessons for her granddaughter, noting it meant a lot to her and her granddaughter.

Comm Rep Macdonald noted the Santa Drive-by event was great and thanked staff for a job well done.

Chairman K. Evans noted the Mayor's Luncheon will be held on March 3 and is hoping for HEParks representation at the event. He commended staff on a nice job for keeping up to-date with the COVID-19 guidelines.

Commissioner Chhatwani commended staff on offering great programs to the community and being proactive. She added 2021 is going to be a great year and thanked staff for all they do!

**8. Adjournment:**

Commissioner Chhatwani made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Dressler to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

On a Roll Call:           Carried 6-0-1  
Ayes:                   6 Chhatwani, Beranek, Dressler, Macdonald, MacGregor, K. Evans  
Nays:                   0  
Absent:                1 Henderson

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma  
Secretary

Monica Logan  
Executive Assistant