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**MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1082
October 25, 2022**

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Board of Commissioners was held on October 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: President Kinnane, Commissioners Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Friedman, Kaplan and McGinn

Absent:

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Director of Finance Hopkins, Director of Administrative Services Cahill, Director of Recreation Kapusinski, Director of Golf & Facilities Bechtold, Director of Parks, Planning and Maintenance Hugen, Executive Assistant Flynn

Audience: Comm Reps Aguilar, Kulkarni and Winner, Ron Holznagel, Natalie Lichtenbert, Student Liaison Isha Subramanian

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Everyone present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Recess for BINA Hearing:

Commissioner Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to recess the Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of convening the BINA Hearing. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Reconvene Following BINA Hearing:

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dressler to reconvene to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:04 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

5. Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

6. Recognition

President Kinnane presented the Best of Hoffman award to Natalie Lichtenbert. President Kinnane then presented the Employees of the 3rd Quarter 2022 awards to Ron Holznagel (PT) and Cindy Flynn (FT).

Natalie Lichtenbert and Ron Holznagel left the meeting.

7. Approval of the Minutes:

Commissioner Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Friedman to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held September 27, 2022 as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

8. Comments from the Audience:

None

9. Recess for A&F Meeting:

Commissioner Chhatwani made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Friedman to recess the Board meeting at 7:13 p.m. for the purpose of convening the A&F Committee meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

10. Reconvene Following A&F Committee Meeting:

Commissioner Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to reconvene to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:34 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Comm Reps Aguilar, Kulkarni and Winner left the meeting.

11. Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to approve the consent agenda items A through I.

On a Roll Call: Carried 7-0-0

Ayes: 7 Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Friedman, Kaplan, Kinnane, McGinn

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

- A. Fertilizer and Chemicals Early Order / M22-095 (see B&G October Packet)
- B. Land Definition Management Plan Update / M22-097 (see B&G October Packet)
- C. American Tower Site / M22-100 (see A&G October packet)
- D. Financial Statement Analysis September 2022 (see A&F October Packet)
- E. Open and Paid Invoice Register: \$808,806.04 (see A&F October Packet)

- F. Revenue and Expenditure Report and District Wide Operations Statement (see A&F October Packet)
- G. Acceptance of B&G Minutes 9/13/2022 (see B&G October packet)
- H. Acceptance of Rec Minutes 9/13/2022 (see Rec October packet)
- I. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 9/27/2022 (see A&F October packet)

12. President's Report:

President Kinnane noted the following:

- Going forward, President Kinnane will include three items in his report: his attendance at events, emails received from residents, and staff shout-out.
- President Kinnane met with the residents of Tropicana Park. This was an OSLAD project, which means we cannot do anything to the park for at least another three or four years. The splash pad is up for renovation in 2027 (grand opening was 2012). This is a changing neighborhood, now with younger children. Tropicana Park was formerly run by a HOA. We took over the land. The pool was removed due to its poor shape, and residents asked for a water feature instead of a pool.
- President Kinnane attended the TopTracer Beer Garden event; a Lions Club meeting; the Soiree Dinner at Bridges of Poplar Creek; Poplar Park Ribbon Cutting; golf at Bridges with village officials; Rotary Club Trivia Night.
- Emails – President Kinnane received an email regarding a beaver that was killed at Fabbri Park. This was following IDNR regulations. Beavers cannot be moved to other public property. Using a handgun is the most humane way to kill a beaver, which can damage hardwood trees around the waterway, creating a safety issue. Their dams can cause flooding.
- Received an email about the lack of soccer referees. The companies we use have staff issues like all other industries. Director Kapusinski added that we have secured referees for the rest of the season after reaching out to a larger firm that has a wider reach. Commissioner Friedman noted it is a good idea to have a parent get a referee license.
- Shout out to the parks and maintenance department. Since Director Hugen took over the director position, the department has done more in-house, saving over \$300,000. President Kinnane is confident that Director Hugen and his crew will continue to do great work.

13. Adoption of Executive Director's Report:

Commissioner Chhatwani made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dressler to adopt the Executive Director's Report as presented.

Executive Director Talsma added that a patron was trying to use the Poplar Park playground at John Muir School during school hours. Through a conversation with Rick King, we confirmed that there is no exclusive use of the park during school hours, but this can raise an issue of students on the playground while another resident is there.

The motion carried by voice vote.

14. Old Business:

None

15. New Business:

A. IAPD Credentials Certificate

Executive Director Talsma stated that this is for the annual IAPD meeting. We must submit an ordered list of potential attendees to determine who will cast official votes for the District during the meeting.

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dressler to approve the IAPD Credentials Certificate. The motion carried by voice vote.

16. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Evans attended a party for his son at the Bridges Beer Garden. Staff was incredible; the bar was open; weather was great. He was very impressed.

Commissioner Chhatwani congratulated Cindy Flynn, and is looking forward to the Legal Symposium.

Commissioner Kaplan attended an IAPD Trustee annual retreat, where they came up with lists of strengths and opportunities. He learned that many ideas are similar at other places; that the OSLAD grants range between \$400K and \$600K and 87 agencies received grants. IDNR has received 219 application for this year. He also learned that all three IAPD 2021-2022 legislative platforms were approved and signed into law in 2021. IAPD added two more in 2022, which were also approved.

Commissioner McGinn attended the Haunted Hoffman Halloween Fest at Fabbrini. He thanked staff for all of their hard work.

Commissioner Dressler said it had been a busy month. She had fun at the Haunted Hoffman Fest. She saw park district staff at the fire department open houses. She looks forward to the rest of the fourth quarter. She thanked staff for their hard work, and said she is excited to see the student liaisons here.

President Kinnane said that his friend Harry Hmura played at Bridges Beer Garden, and said “this place has the most incredible acoustics I have ever played at!”

17. Adjournment:

Commissioner Kaplan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma
Secretary

Cindy Flynn
Executive Assistant