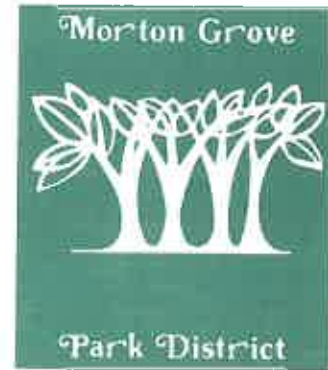


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Minutes of the 771st
Board Meeting
Held on December 16, 2015 at 6:30 pm

I. Roll Call: President Staackmann called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Commissioners Present: Dominick Burdi, Mark Manno, Dan Ashta and Dan Staackmann

Commissioners Absent: Eileen Coursey

Staff Present: Jeff Wait, Executive Director; Marty O'Brien, Finance Manager; Greg Jayne, Superintendent of Parks & Facilities; Mike Hayes, Superintendent of Recreation and Claudia Marren, Executive Administrative Assistant

Guests Present: Eric Poders, the Morton Grove Voice/resident

II. Additions or Deletions/Changes to the Agenda: None

III. Citizens Comments/Correspondence: None

IV. Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Ashta a made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the Committee of the Whole held on November 4, 2015, the Board Meeting held on November 18, 2015, the Dog Park Advisory Meeting held on November 19, 2015 and the Executive Session held on November 4, 2015.

The Financial Reports:

1. The Budget Report and Cash on Hand dated November 30, 2015 and
2. The voucher listed dated December 16, 2015, in the amount of \$375,766.13, subject to audit. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Manno, Ashta and Staackmann.**
Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.

V. Director's Report: Executive Director Wait gave a 2015 year in review which noted: The Recreation Department eliminated one staff member, the registration system has been found to be inadequate and therefore the District plans on purchasing a new registration and finance platform. The Octoberfest was not considered a success and will therefore be eliminated. We have a new Executive Director and Superintendent of

Recreation. The Recreation Department has introduced more than 75 new programs. He also reviewed the updates to the Prairie View Community Center including a new Wellness Room. Group Ex is not making money and staff is working on options to improve this situation. The fitness center has been approved to become a Silver Sneaker facility. We hopefully will learn from the past and we are all very excited for 2016.

VI. Attorney's Report: None

VII. Unfinished Business:

Administration and Finance Committee: Commissioner Ashta, Chair

Tax Levy: Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi to accept the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee to approve the Morton Grove Park District Tax Levy for 2015, Ordinance #O-07-15. Commissioner Staackmann noted he has reservations about this tax levy and feels that although we are under the minimum amount for a Truth in Taxation meeting we are getting dangerously close to it and looks forward to Marty's report to restructure the park district debt. **Ayes: Commissioner Manno, Ashta, Burdi and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.**

Tax Extension: Commissioner Ashta made a motion seconded by Commissioner Burdi to approve the Morton Grove Park District Tax Extension, Resolution #R-06-15. Manager O'Brien explained the reason for the Tax Extension is in case the Park District does not receive the total amount of the levy. If we do not get what we expect then the Cook County Clerk will automatically reduce the specified funds, in our case it would be the Museum Fund, the Police Fund, the Liability Fund and the Paving and Lighting Fund that will get reduced first. If there is still not enough money, all the other funds will get reduced proportionately. **Ayes: Commissioner Ashta, Burdi, Manno, and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.**

Technology ViS Platform: Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Manno to accept the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee to approve entering into a service agreement with VSI to provide new registration software, RecTrac and new financial software, FinTrac for an estimated cost of \$90,429. Commissioner Ashta noted we discussed this item and noted that we are being charged high transaction fees with the current vendor and the new company offers additional informational services. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Manno, Ashta, and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.**

January Board Meeting Update: Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi to accept the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee to approve changing the January Board Meeting to January 20, 2016. Commissioner Ashta noted that this was previously discussed and this is the

normal time we hold the meeting. **Ayes: Commissioner Coursey, Ashta, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.**

Recreation and Facility Program Committee: Commissioner Burdi substituted

Activity Guide: Commissioner Burdi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ashta to accept the recommendation of the Recreation and Facility Program Committee to accept the bid from American Litho to print the fall 2016, winter/spring 2017 and summer 2017 activity guides at a base price of \$4,066.

Ayes: Commissioner Ashta, Burdi, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.

VIII. New Business: None

IX. Executive Session: Was moved to after section X, Commissioner Comments.

X. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Ashta: Wished everyone a happy, healthy, benevolent holiday season. He also complimented and thanked the entire staff while working without a permanent Executive Director.

Commissioner Manno: Happy Holidays to everyone, thanked Jeff and the staff and thanked the Board for working together.

Commissioner Burdi: Happy Holidays to staff and commissioners, have a safe, happy, joyous holiday. Would like to echo what Dan said. He also thanked Marty and Jeff for doing a great job.

Commissioner Coursey: Absent.

Commissioner Staackmann: Happy Holidays, to everyone. We set the bar high for 2016 because we are going to jump high. He has already received positive feedback.

Executive Session:

Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi for the Board to move into Executive Session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act Section 120/2.(c)(1) and Section 120/2.c(11). **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Manno, Ashta and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.**

XI. Adjournment:

At approximately 7:29 the Board Meeting reconvened. Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting ended at approximately 7:30 pm


Daniel Staackmann, Board President


Jeff Wait, Board Secretary