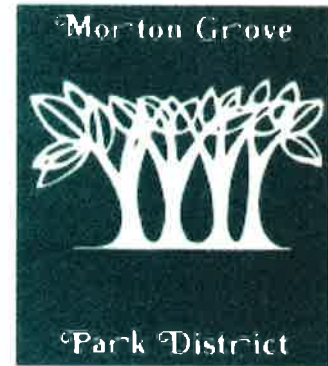


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6834 Dempster, Morton Grove, IL 60053  
Minutes of the 780<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting  
Held on September 21, 2016 at 6:30pm

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

**Commissioners Present:** Dan Ashta, Georgianne Brunner, Mark Manno, and Dan Staackmann

**Commissioners Absent:** Eileen Coursey

**Staff Present:** Jeff Wait, Executive Director; Marty O'Brien, Superintendent of Finance; Laura Kee, Superintendent of HR and Risk Management; Joe Bruntmyer, Superintendent of Recreation; Greg Jayne, Superintendent of Parks & Facilities; and Claudia Marren, Executive Administrative Assistant

**Guests Present:** Eric Poders, Morton Grove Voice/resident; Keith White, resident

**Attorney Present:** None.

II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. **Additions or Deletions/Changes to the Agenda:** None.

IV. **Citizens Comments/Correspondence:** Eric Poders stated that after 10 years he will no longer attend meetings and report on Park District Board meetings. He reminded the Commissioners that communication is the key and how important it is to get information to the public.

V. **Consent Agenda:**

Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brunner to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the August 3, 2016 Committee Meeting and the August 17, 2016 Board Meeting.

**The Financial Reports:**

1. The Cash on Hand and Budget Report dated August 31, 2016, and
2. The voucher listed dated September 21, 2016, in the amount of \$147,141.82 subject to audit. **Ayes: Commissioner Brunner, Manno, Ashta and Staackmann.**

**Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.**

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**VI. Director's Report:** Director Wait stated that 2 people attended the September 19<sup>th</sup> Community Input meeting. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> here at PVCC. School District 70, the Library and the Village agreed to help notify the community of the next meeting.

**VII. Attorney's Report:** None

**VIII. Unfinished Business:**

**Administration and Finance Committee: Commissioner Ashta, Chair**

**Travel, Meals and Lodging Policy:** Commissioner Ashta made a motion seconded by Commissioner Manno to accept the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee for the Board of Park Commissioners to adopt Ordinance #O-06-16, the Travel, Meals and Lodging Policy and for the policy to be made part of the Commissioners General Practices Manual. **Ayes: Commissioner Manno, Ashta, Brunner and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.**

**Prospective Board Candidate Policy:** Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brunner for the Board of Park Commissioner to adopt the Prospective Board Candidate Policy which will be made part of the Commissioners General Practices Manual **Ayes: Commissioner Ashta, Brunner, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.**

**Recreation and Facility Program Committee: Commissioner Coursey, Chair**

No business.

**Parks and Facilities Maintenance Committee: Commissioner Manno Chair**

No business.

**IX. New Business:** None.

**X. Commissioner Comments:**

**Commissioner Manno:** No comment.

**Commissioner Coursey:** Absent.

**Commissioner Brunner:** No comment.

**Commissioner Ashta:** Apologized for not having Executive Directors' Wait evaluation completed and also wanted to clarify his position of not reciting the Pledge of Allegiance noting it is based on his belief that asking people at a public meeting to recite the Pledge was beyond the scope of the Boards authority. He also noted it was not a political or social issue or protest and it should not be interrupted as a lack of appreciation of those who have sacrificed their lives for the land of freedom that we live in. He does appreciate our society and feels that anyone who comes to one of our meetings has the right to abstain from reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**Commissioner Staackmann:** Thanked the Distinguished Agency team for all their hard work. He also noted Keith White in the audience whose father and mother were part of the Park District Board in the past.

**XI. Executive Session:**

Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brunner to move into closed session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act section 120/2(c)(1) and for section 120/2(c) (11) and 120/2(c) (21) **Ayes: Commissioner Ashta, Brunner, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.**

The Board Meeting reconvened at approximately 7:07pm. No action was taken during closed session.

**XII. Approval of Executive Minutes:**

Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brunner to accept the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee to approve the minutes of the executive session held on August 3, 2016 and the executive session held on August 17, 2016. **Ayes: Commissioners Ashta, Brunner, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey.**

**Closed Session Review:** Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brunner to accept the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee to adopt Resolution #R-07-16; Closed Session Minutes review. **Ayes: Commissioner Ashta, Brunner, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: Coursey. Motion carried.**

**XIII. Adjournment:**

Commissioner Brunner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Staackmann to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting ended at approximately 7:10pm.

  
Daniel Staackmann, Board President

  
Jeff Wait, Board Secretary