Morton Grove Park District

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Minutes of the 832th Board Meeting February 17, 2021 Held at Prairie View Community Center

I. Roll Call: Commissioner White called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Commissioners Present: Erica Epperson, Keith White, Paul Minx, and Mazhar Khan

Commissioner White made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Minx to allow Commissioner Schmidt to attend remotely. Ayes: Commissioner White, Khan, Minx, and Epperson Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Steve Schmidt was present virtually.

Staff Present: Jeffrey Wait, Executive Director; Marty O'Brien, Superintendent of Finance; Laura Kee, Superintendent of HR and Risk Management; Sue Braubach, Superintendent of Recreation; Mary Mucci, Aquatics Supervisor and Luisa Gonzalez, Recording Secretary.

Guest present: Rita Minx, Village Trustee and resident; Patty and Al Spiegelman, residents of Morton Grove.

- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Additions/Changes to the Agenda: None
- IV. Citizens Comments on Agenda Items/Correspondence: None
- V. Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Minx made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Khan, to approve:

- a. The minutes of the Board Meeting held on January 20, 2021
- b. The Financial Reports:
 - 1. The Cash Summary and Revenue and Expenditure Report dated January 31, 2021
 - 2. The Invoice Distribution Report ending January 31, 2021 in the amount of \$97,243.73 Ayes: Commissioner Minx, Schmidt, Khan, White, and Epperson. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- VI. Director's Report: Director Wait mentioned that registration for the winter/spring programs is underway. Programs can be found in the seasonal brochure. Hard copies were delivered to every household and can also be found online at mortongroveparks.com. Wait noted that the park district is currently hiring for camp and pool staff. Wait also had an update on Harrer Pool. Wait stated that there has been a slight delay obtaining permits from the county and state agencies. The district was hoping to have an opening Memorial Day weekend, but with the delays that date will more than likely be pushed back.

- **VII. Attorney Report:** White noted that Steve Adams submitted his report electronically to each member's email account.
- VIII. Village Liaison Report: None
- **IX. Department Head Reports:** Superintendent Kee explained that HR has been interviewing for the Maintenance Parks I position. HR has extended an offer which has been accepted by an applicant. Kee stated that HR continues to work with unemployment consultants but the amount of claims has significantly decreased. Kee also mentioned that child care statements have been processed and sent to families for tax purposes.

Superintendent Braubach stated that recreation staff attended IPRA virtual conference this year. Braubach explained that the district had its Valentine Meet and Greet with Olaf the weekend of February 13th, which went well. Braubach noted Hot Shot classes have been expanding due to classes meeting in person once again. Braubach lastly explained that camp and preschool information will be sent out to families shortly and registration for them will begin March 15th.

Superintendent O'Brien stated that ethic statements will be provided to those eligible through email between March 15th and April 15th. O'Brien noted that the park district received the GFOA certificate for the 20th year in a row. Lastly, O'Brien explained Morton Grove park district has received \$5,000 from Cook County for their portion of the CARES pandemic reimbursements.

X. New Business:

a. Administration and Finance Committee - Commissioner Minx, Chair

Transfer of Funds: Commissioner Minx made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Epperson to approve Resolution #R-02-21 to authorize the budgetary transfer of \$120,000 from the corporate fund to the recreation fund. **Ayes: Commissioner Epperson, Khan, Schmidt, Minx, and White. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Interfund Line Item Transfer: Commissioner Minx made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Khan authorize the attached budget transfers in the amount of \$496,130. Ayes: Commissioner White, Schmidt, Khan, Minx, and Epperson Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Aquatic Presentation (Non-Action Item): Aquatic Supervisor Mary Mucci and Superintendent of Recreation Sue Braubach gave an aquatics presentation to give the board and community an idea of how the district is planning out the summer. The presentation stated different Covid safety measures that will take place, as well as the plan that is in place when Harrer Pool opens.

- XI. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: None.
- XII. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Schmidt: None

Commissioner Epperson: Thanked Superintendent Braubach and Supervisor Mucci for their pool

presentation.

Commissioner Khan: Thanked Director Wait and entire staff for all their hard work and dedication and keeping Morton Grove a safe place.

Commissioner Minx: Thanked Superintendent Braubach and Supervisor Mucci for their pool presentation. Also thanked Superintendent O'Brien on keeping the GFOA certificate streak going for the park district.

Commissioner White: Mentioned that the pool presentation was great. Also wanted to report that their was an IPRA annual meeting at the end of January.

XIII. Closed Session: At approximately 7:03pm Commissioner White made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Minx for the Board to go into closed session in accordance with the Open Meeting Act section 120/2/c/(1) and for section 120/2(c)(21). Ayes: Commissioner Minx, Schmidt, Khan, White, and Epperson. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened at approximately 7:07pm

No action was taken during closed session.

Commissioner Minx made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Epperson to approve the minutes of the closed session meeting held on November 11, 2020 Ayes: Commissioner Minx, Schmidt, Khan, White, and Epperson. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

XIV. Adjournment: Commissioner White made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Minx to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting ended at approximately 7:08pm.

Board President, Keith White

Board Secretary, Jeffrey Wait