Morton Grove Park District

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Minutes of the 836th Board Meeting June 16, 2021 Held at Prairie View Community Center

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

Commissioners Present: Steve Schmidt, Erica Epperson, Paul Minx, and Mazhar Khan

Absent: Keith White

Staff Present: Jeffrey Wait, Executive Director; Marty O'Brien, Superintendent of Finance; Sue Braubach, Superintendent of Recreation; Laura Kee, Superintendent of HR and Risk Management; Keith Gorczyca, Superintendent of Parks and Facilities; David Torres, Recreation Supervisor; Daniel Bregman, Recreation Supervisor and Luisa Gonzalez, Recording Secretary.

Guest present: Rita Minx, Village Trustee

Attorney Present: None

- 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 May 19, 2021
- b. The Financial Reports:
 - 1. The Cash Summary and Revenue and Expenditure Report dated May 31, 2021
 - 2. The Invoice Distribution Report ending May 31, 2021 in the amount of \$966,833.18 Ayes: Commissioner Minx, Schmidt, Khan, and Epperson. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

VI. Director's Report:

Director Wait stated that summer is in full swing with camp starting at the beginning of June. Wait reminded the board of the field dedication ceremony on Saturday, June 19th at Mansfield Park. Wait also noted that the Park District will be showing Sonic the Hedgehog at Harrer Park on June 18th. Wait explained that the District is in Phase Five (full opening) and will be running lots of programs/events this summer. Residents can visit the Morton Grove Park District's website for more information.

- VII. Attorney Report: None
- VIII. Village Liaison Report: None

IX. Department Head Reports:

Superintendent Braubach noted that the first concert of the summer went well. Braubach stated that Oriole Pool opened up for the summer and the District has sold over 604 memberships. The fitness center has increased its hours and some of its amenities. Braubach lastly introduced the District's two newest employees David Torres, Aquatics Supervisor and Daniel Bregman, Athletics Supervisor.

Superintendent Gorczyca noted that the construction of Harrer Pool is moving along nicely. Gorczyca explained that Austin Park is done except for a few site amenities such as picnic tables and benches which will be installed shortly. Gorczyca stated that the District had a bid opening for Arnum Park on June 3rd. Lastly, Gorczyca mentioned that the Maintenance staff has been busy the last few weeks getting Oriole Pool ready for the season.

Superintendent Kee stated that guest services has been extremely busy with memberships and reservation. Kee also noted that the District has been busy with new hire paperwork and have hired close to 75 new hires. Lastly Kee mentioned that park patrol started June $1^{\rm st}$.

Superintendent O'Brien stated that finance is finalizing all the paper work for 2020 including the 2020 audit. O'Brien also stated that the District is compiling all necessary documents to apply for Distinguished Agency.

X. New Business:

a. Administration and Finance Committee - Commissioner Minx, Chair

M-NASR Lease: Commissioner Minx made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt that the Board of Park Commissioners approve a 20-year lease with Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation. Ayes: Commissioner Epperson, Khan, Schmidt, and Minx. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Arnum Park Contractor Approval: Commissioner Minx made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Khan that the Board of Park Commissioners award the contractor bid to George's Landscaping of Joliet, IL, in the amount of \$81,823.50. Ayes: Commissioner Schmidt, Khan, Minx, and Epperson. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Audit Review: Commissioner Minx made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt that the Board of Park Commissioners approve the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020. **Ayes: Commissioner, Schmidt, Khan, Epperson and Minx. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements Report: Commissioner Minx made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt that the Board of Park Commissioners approve resolution #R-06-21 the Morton Grove Park District Receipts and Disbursements Report for the year ending December 31, 2020 Ayes: Commissioner Minx, Schmidt, Khan and Epperson. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

GIOA Conference Travel Allowance: Commissioner Minx made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Khan that the Board of Park Commissioners approve the estimated travel expenses for Superintendent O'Brien in the amount of \$975 to attend the Annual Government Investment Officers Association conference. Ayes: Commissioner Schmidt, Khan, Minx, and Epperson. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Post Issuance Compliance Resolution: Commissioner Minx made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt that the Board of Park Commissioners approve the attached Resolution #R-07-21 stating that the District is compliant with the applicable tax law requirements. Ayes: Commissioner Schmidt, Epperson, Minx, and Khan. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Minx: Noted that it is always great to see the concerts start up in the beginning of summer. Also thanked all the staff and welcomed Supervisors Torres and Bregman. Commissioner Schmidt: Welcomed Supervisors Torres and Bregman. Thanked staff for all their

hard work.

Commissioner Khan: Thanked all staff and Director Wait for their hard work. Also welcomed Supervisors Torres and Bregman.

Commissioner Epperson: Welcomed Supervisors Torres and Bregman. Also says she looks forward to all the summer events.

Closed Session: At approximately 7:00pm, Commissioner Epperson made a motion, seconded XIII. by Commissioner Schmidt 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 Epperson, Minx, Khan, and Schmidt Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened at approximately 7:02pm

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 April 21, 2021 and May 19, 2021. Ayes: Commissioner Schmidt, Khan, Epperson, and Minx. Nays:0. Motion carried.

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

Meeting ended at approximately 7:04pm.

Board President, Keith White