



Vernon Hills Park District
Board of Park Commissioners
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
294 Evergreen Drive Vernon Hills, Illinois
July 21, 2016 – 6:30p.m.

Executive Director Fougousse asked the Board of Commissioners to entertain a motion to appoint a President Pro-Tem in absentia of President Doerhoefer.

Commissioner Robbins motioned for Vice President Kessler to run the meeting as President Pro-tem in absentia of President Doerhoefer.

Commissioner Ballowe seconded the motion.

A voice vote in favor carried the motion.

1. Call to Order - The regular meeting of the Vernon Hills Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by President Pro-tem Kessler at 6:30 p.m. at 294 Evergreen Drive, Vernon Hills.

Roll Call - Present: Commissioners Robbins, Ballowe, Meline and Kessler. Staff: Jeff Fougousse, Marla Pineiro, James Kim, Tom Ritter, Cheryl Baron and Amy Darling. Absent: Commissioner Dave Doerhoefer.

2. Pledge of Allegiance - President Pro-tem Kessler led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Omnibus Vote Agenda – Items under the Omnibus Vote Agenda are considered routine and/or non-controversial and will be approved by one motion. If a separate vote on any one item is desired, it will be pulled from the Omnibus Vote Agenda and voted on separately.

- A. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting June 23, 2016
- B. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting July 11, 2016, and
- C. Payables (less Grainger) & Payroll thru July 21, 2016 in the amount of: \$1,805,082.65

President Pro-tem Kessler asked for a motion to approve items on the Omnibus Agenda.

Motion by Commissioner Ballowe to approve items A-C of the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

Second by Commissioner Robbins.

Vote to approve items A-C of the Omnibus Vote Agenda.

Ayes: Commissioner Robbins, Meline, Ballowe, Kessler.

Nays: None. Motion Carries.



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4. Welcome to Visitors and Guests - Public Comment Period – Kasia Olson, 837 Faulkner Place, Vernon Hills, IL approached the podium. Ms. Olson explained that she was present on behalf of the residents of Vernon Hills who would like to see a dog park developed by the Park District. Ms. Olson presented the board with collected signatures petitioning for the dog park. President Pro-tem thanked her for providing the petition and that the Board would take her suggestion under consideration.

5. Financial Reports for the Period Ending June 30, 2016

President Pro-tem Kessler asked Superintendent Pineiro if there are any changes or additions to Financial Reports. Superintendent Pineiro reported that there are no changes to the Financial Reports and that they are on file.

6. Reports and Communication

- A. Executive Director Jeff Fougerousse – report attached. In addition, Jeff informed the Board that bound copies of the recent traffic study for Sullivan Community Center is provided at the Dias.
- B. Finance and HR Superintendent Marla Pineiro – report attached.
- C. Recreation Superintendent Tom Ritter - report attached. In addition, Tom reported that Jack Scherer was offered and accepted the position of Special Events Supervisor.
- D. Parks Superintendent James Kim - report attached. In addition, James reported that Ribfest banners and signage will start to go up tomorrow. The new restroom at Kids' Castle is expected in mid August. Commissioner Robbins commented that, on occasion, he notices debris in the water in Century Park. James responded that efforts are routinely made to remove anything found in the lake. A special aquatic rake is being considered to be able to remove more of the debris. President Pro-tem Kessler inquired as to whether an estimate was available for the damage at Torrey Pines Park. James explained that a final total would depend on whether the entire structure would need to be replaced but that preliminary estimate is \$43,000.00.
- E. Communications Manager Cheryl Baron - report attached. In addition, Cheryl reported that Cassidy Reinhard is out visiting camps and taking photos that will be posted on social media.
- F. Lakeview Facility Supervisor Mark Purcell – report attached.
- G. Board Correspondence – President Pro-tem Kessler read aloud a correspondence from the Village of Vernon Hills.

7. Unfinished Business -none

8. New Business

- A. Annual Conduct Ordinance Review- President Pro-tem asked Executive Director Fougerousse if there have been any changes to the Park District Conduct Ordinance. Jeff replied that there have not.



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9. Commissioner Comments

- A. Commissioner Ballowe - Thank you to the staff for their work at the Summer Celebration event.
- B. Commissioner Robbins – no comments.
- C. Commissioner Meline – no comments.
- D. Commissioner Kessler – Thank you to the Board for the opportunity to officiate this meeting

10. Adjournment

Upon proper motion and second the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.


Cynthia Kessler, Park Board President Pro-tem


Jeff Fougere, Park Board Secretary

