

Vernon Hills Park District Board of Park Commissioners Regular Board Meeting December 15, 2022 635 N. Aspen Drive, Vernon Hills, IL 60061 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

1. Call to Order and Roll Call - President Doerhoefer called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Present: Commissioners Robbins, Kessler, Giraldo, Sente, Doerhoefer.

Staff: Jeff Fougerousse, Jessica Mitchell, Tom Ritter, James Kim, Lacy Marinenko, Amy Darling.

Guests: Chris Maier, Steven Kessler.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance- President Doerhoefer 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 Special Meeting November 10, 2022
 - B. Minutes of the Regular Meeting November 17, 2022
 - C. Minutes of the Special Meeting November 17, 2022
 - D. Payables & Payroll through December 15, 2022

President Doerhoefer asked for a motion to approve Omnibus Agenda.

Motion by Commissioner Robbins.

Second by Commissioner Giraldo.

Discussion: None.

Ayes: Commissioner Sente, Robbins, Kessler, Giraldo, Doerhoefer.

Nays: None. Motion Carries

- 4. Financial Reports for the Period Ending November 30, 2022 President Doerhoefer asked Superintendent Mitchell if there are any changes to the reports as filed. No changes were reported.
- 5. Welcome to Visitors and Guests Public Comment Period

Mrs. Chris Maier addressed the board with her inquiry as to why the park district does not participate in the Silver Sneaker program. President Doerhoefer explained that no response or action is taken during the public comment period, but that district staff would follow up with her directly regarding her concern.

Amy Darling introduced herself as the Administrative Assistant and Risk Manager for the district.





Commissioner Kessler Retirement Recognition

Commissioner Sente presented Commissioner Kessler with a Resolution on behalf of Senator Adriane Johnson recognizing her many contributions to the community and service to the park board. Commissioner Kessler was further presented with an IAPD Resolution by President Doerhoefer. Commissioner Robbins presented Commissioner Kessler with a service recognition gift from IAPD. Commissioner Giraldo presented Commissioner Kessler with a gift from the park district.

6. Unfinished Business -none.

7. Reports and Communication

- A. Recreation Superintendent- Tom Ritter- report attached.
- B. Finance and HR Superintendent Jessica Mitchell report attached.
- C. Facility Manager- Lacy Marinenko report attached.
- **D.** Marketing & Communications Manager- Cheryl Buhmann report attached.
- E. Parks Superintendent- James Kim –report attached.
- **F.** Executive Director- Jeff Fougerousse report attached.
- **G.** Commissioner/Committee Reports and Communications none.
- H. Board Correspondence -none.

8. New Business

A. Ordinance 06-22: An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Year 2022

President Doerhoefer asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 06-22.

Motion by Commissioner Sente.

Second by Commissioner Robbins.

Discussion: None.

Ayes: Commissioner Kessler, Robbins, Giraldo, Sente, Doerhoefer.

Nays: None. Motion Carries

B. 2022 Annual Strategic Plan Report Card

President Doerhoefer asked for a motion to approve the 2022 Annual Strategic Plan Report Card.

Motion by Commissioner Sente.

Second by Commissioner Giraldo.

Discussion: None.

Ayes: Commissioner Robbins, Sente, Kessler, Giraldo, Doerhoefer.

Nays: None. Motion Carries





9. Commissioner Comments

- A. Commissioner Giraldo-Thank you Cindy for being so open and welcoming and I wish you the best
- B. Commissioner Robbins-I have served with you for 13 years. You are a very caring person to both the community and the district. I have learned so much from you and enjoyed working together. I will miss you and wish you much health and happiness.
- C. Commissioner Sente -13 years is a significant time to give to the board. Your service and conduct on the board has been motivating and makes. Will miss you and thank you very much wish you the best of luck.
- **D.** Commissioner Doerhoefer This board and park district is better for your service to the community. You have been a consummate commissioner. On behalf of the board, staff and community, we will miss you greatly and recognize the indelible mark left by your departure.
- E. Commissioner Kessler-Commissioner Kessler expressed her gratitude, appreciation and respect for each of her fellow board members. She has thoroughly enjoyed serving on this board and the collaboration and team work. She expressed her thanks and appreciation for district staff, with special recognition for Jeff and his leadership. She has enjoyed raising her family within this community and gave a heartfelt thank you to the residents for their continued support of the district. It has been his distinct pleasure to serve the community of Vernon Hills.

10. Adjournment

Upon proper motion and second the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m.





