

**OAK FOREST PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2019**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

James Emmett, President
James Katula, Secretary
Roy Pruitt, Commissioner
Chuck Wolf, Vice President
Joe Pilch, Commissioner

OTHERS PRESENT

Joseph Cainkar, Attorney
Joseph McDonnell, Treasurer
Cindy Grannan, Director
Linda Guzak, Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Emmett called the regular meeting to order at the Oak Forest Park District Community Center, 15601 S. Central, Oak Forest, IL at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Upon a roll call Commissioners Wolf, Pruitt, Katula, Pilch and Emmett were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 10, AND OCTOBER 24, 2019 BOARD MEETINGS

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 10, and October 24, 2019 Board Meetings, seconded by Commissioner Katula. Roll call with ayes: Katula, Wolf, Pruitt, Pilch and Emmett. Nays: none. The motion was approved with all ayes.

PUBLIC SESSION

No one came forward.

COMMUNICATIONS

Director Grannan stated the Oak Forest Park District has received a \$1,000.00 award from PDRMA's 2019 Risk Management Grant & Recognition Program proposal for our John Deere Gator Modifications for Field Striping submitted by Kirstin and Dave.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Department Head Reports

B. Approval of the OFPD Girls Softball Minutes of October 3, 2019

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Pruitt. Roll call with ayes: Katula, Wolf, Pruitt, Pilch and Emmett. Nays: none. The motion was approved with all ayes.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS – VOUCHERS DATED NOVEMBER 14, 2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$253,395.18

Commissioner Pilch made a motion to approve the bills-vouchers dated November 14, 2019, seconded by Commissioner Katula.

Roll call with ayes: Katula, Wolf, Pruitt, Pilch and Emmett. Nays: none. Motion approved.

Director Grannan explained the bill for a broken window from a ball hit from Shooters Field to Commissioner Katula. Director Grannan will look into the reason for numerous \$10 refunds for overpayments on the list of bills.

ACCEPTANCE OF FOLLOWING REPORTS

A. Directors Report

B. Treasurers Report

Director Grannan stated we should receive our occupancy permit for the new Community Center next week. After meeting with MWRD on October 30, we are able to move 50% of our retention to an offsite location which means we are able to use the City's retention if they allow us use. The best location for the other 50% onsite retention would be to utilize the pony baseball field on the other side of the creek at Central Park which has not been actively used in the past few years. We have Fieldcrest and Friendly Oaks fields that are wide open for a replacement field should Baseball need it. We would need these plans submitted to MWRD before January because their retention requirements are going up. The Board agreed to move forward with those plans. Director Grannan and Attorney Cainkar have reviewed the Baseball Field Use Agreement and are working on the Baseball Use Agreement for the Batting Cage Facility. Cook County, Public Works and the Park District all met on site at Fieldcrest Park on October 31 to clarify location of the Cook County Hospital water main and vault. It has been decided that the vault will be moved further north and clear of our play areas. An Intergovernmental Agreement will be drawn up and reviewed with our Lawyer. Back in 2010 we received grant awards for the Central Park Parking lot repairs in the amount of \$25,000 and for Vergneway Park Playground Equipment in the amount of \$30,000, due to lack of State funding we had not received those funds. We are now on the list for those funds to be released. Our next Board Meeting will be on November 21 at which the Bonds will be approved.

TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer Joe McDonnell explained our levy amounts over the years and presented the numbers for the bond that we will approve at our next meeting. Joe stated that the goal 5 years ago was to bring our numbers to the positive and that is happening. Commissioner Emmett stated he appreciates everything Treasurer McDonnell has done for the Park District.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Wolf asked what the status is of the steam room generator problem. Director Grannan explained we are working on getting the steam generator replaced.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approval of Ordinance #607.19 an Ordinance levying taxes for all corporate purposes for the Oak Forest Park District, Cook County, Illinois for the year 2019**
- B. Approval of Ordinance #608.19, an Ordinance of the Oak Forest Park District directing Cook County Clerk as to reduction of the Oak Forest Park District's real estate tax levy for levy year 2019**
- C. Approval of the expenses in accordance with the Travel Reimbursement Policy**

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Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve Ordinance #608.19, an Ordinance of the Oak Forest Park District directing Cook County Clerk as to reduction of the Oak Forest Park District's real estate tax levy for levy year 2019, seconded by Commissioner Katula. Roll call with ayes: Katula, Wolf, Pruitt, Pilch and Emmett. Nays: none. The motion was approved with all ayes.

Commissioner Pruitt made a motion to approve the expenses in accordance with the Travel Reimbursement Policy, seconded by Commissioner Katula. Roll call with ayes: Katula, Wolf, Pruitt, Pilch and Emmett. Nays: none. The motion was approved with all ayes.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Wolf thanked Treasurer Joe McDonnell and Cook County for working so well with the Park District.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Emmett made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Pruitt. On a voice vote, the motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

APPROVED:

James R. Emmett, President

ATTEST:

James Katula, Secretary