

**OAK FOREST PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2021**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

James Emmett, President  
James Katula, Secretary  
Roy Pruitt, Commissioner  
Joseph Pilch, Commissioner

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Joseph Cainkar, Attorney  
Joseph McDonnell, Treasurer  
Cindy Grannan, Director

**ABSENT**

Charles Wolf, Vice-President

**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 Emmett, Katula, Pruitt and Pilch were present.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

Commissioner Emmett opened Public Session, no one was present.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Director Grannan congratulated Commissioner Jim Emmett for his twenty (20) years of service as Commissioner serving on the Oak Forest Park District Park Board of Commissioners. At this time Commissioner Emmett was presented the twenty-year Service Award plaque from the Illinois Association of Park Districts.

**CONSIDERATION OF BILLS – VOUCHERS DATED OCTOBER 28, 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$103,396.63**

Commissioner Pilch made a motion to approve the bills-vouchers dated October 28, 2021 in the amount of \$103,396.63, seconded by Commissioner Katula. Commissioner Pilch inquired on the truck repair invoice and what it included. Director Grannan went over all that was repaired on this truck. Commissioner Katula confirmed that the Athletic Center is the 155<sup>th</sup> and Kilpatrick location.

All ayes: Emmett, Katula, Pruitt and Pilch

Nays: None. Motion Approved.

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE FOLLOWING REPORT**

**A. Directors Report**

Director Grannan updated the Board on the Central Park project. Natalie parking lot is complete. Central tennis court is complete with the exception of color coating. At Jesk, the tennis court is marked for posts, the basketball post is installed. The back entryway foundation was poured, the forms for the stairs and landing are being completed. Both north and south detention areas are being

carved out and the landscaping has started. Due to increased vandalism at Gene Leonard, Tower and Convent Parks the Director informed she has sent letters to all neighbors surrounding those parks asking them to contact the police when they see something. The City informed us of a Public Hearing on November 1<sup>st</sup> in regards to the proposed TIF #8. Cook County has staked the line for the water main over at Fieldcrest, the Director informed that the line runs directly next to dugout and the county informed they would replace the dugout if it needs to be removed. A reminder that the November and December Park Board Meetings are on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of these months due to the holiday.

**B. Treasurers Report**

Treasurer Joseph McDonnell stated total cash and investments as of July 31, 2021 are \$4,424,188.98. Treasurer McDonnell stated now that he is connected and navigated the Tyler system August and September should be smoother and reports to follow. The Treasurer presented an Agency Tax Year Collection Distribution chart for the District in regards to how the new legislation to recapture the refunds given to tax payers who had their taxes reassessed would look like since 2010, but we can only be concerned 2020. Treasurer McDonnell presented the 2021 proposed levy and informed that the Truth in Taxation is at 4.99%. He went through the different scenarios and presented the previous twenty years to show how the levy has looked for the Park District. The 2021 Levy is to be approved at the December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting and filed with the County by the fourth Tuesday in December. Treasurer McDonnell discussed a bond issuance for the 2022 budget year and that should take place after December 15<sup>th</sup>.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

None

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Emmett made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Pilch. On a voice vote, the motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

  
James R. Emmett, President

**ATTEST:**

  
James Katula, Secretary