

**OAK FOREST PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY OCTOBER 26, 2023**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

James Emmett, President
Charles Wolf, Vice-President
Joseph Pilch, Commissioner

OTHERS PRESENT

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

ABSENT

Roy Pruitt, Commissioner
James Katula, 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 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

PUBLIC SESSION

Commissioner Emmett opened Public Session, no one was present.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

DECENNIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

The Decennial Committee Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. and adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR APPROVAL OF THE OFPD FLAG FOOTBALL MINUTES OF OCTOBER 9, 2023 AND THE OFPD BASKETBALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR THE 2023/2024 SEASON

Commissioner Emmett made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented, seconded by Commissioner Pilch.

Roll Call Vote: Emmett – Yes, Wolf – Yes, Pilch – Yes

Motion approved.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS – VOUCHERS DATED OCTOBER 26, 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,060.60

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve the bills-vouchers dated October 26, 2023 in the amount of \$25,060.60; seconded by Commissioner Emmett.

Roll Call Vote: Emmett – Yes, Wolf – Yes, Pilch – Yes

Motion approved.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE FOLLOWING REPORT

A. Directors Report

Director Grannan informed that due to the fire alarm pull stations being pulled at Park Place twice within three days by small children; we will be placing covers with sounders on all the pull stations at Park Place. She also informed that the District has been notified by the City of Oak Forest that they have adopted an Ordinance memorializing the termination of TIF No. 1 Redevelopment Project Area. The Director informed that the Structural Engineer was out to look at the gymnasium on October 24th and she has just received the report prior to the meeting. She will review and inform the Board of those findings. She also reminded the Board that the Board Meetings in November and December will be held on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month due to the holidays. In regards to Commissioner Emmett's question last meeting on the dugout fencing and whether it includes a rail at the bottom; the Director informed that yes it includes the bottom rail.

B. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer McDonnell presented the September Financials to the Board and informed that total cash and investments as of September 30, 2023 are \$3,998,037.19. Treasurer McDonnell also provided and discussed the statement of revenues and expenses as of September 30, 2023 versus the 2023 budget. Treasurer McDonnell presented the proposed 2023 Levy. He discussed the final tax levy from 2022 versus 2021 which shows an increase of \$115,838. With the termination of TIF No. 1 we should see and increase around \$10,000. Cook County's reassess' every three-years making 2023 a reassessment year; while property taxes may show higher increases, the District is capped at 5%, we will not see this until next year. Even though we are capped; traditionally we have seen an increase in the property taxes in reassessment years. Treasurer McDonnell presented various scenarios for the 2023 levy; making sure we are fully levied with each scenario and we are.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. APPROVAL OF TILE AND MASTIC ABATEMENT IN LIMITED LOCATIONS AT THE CENTRAL PARK COMMUNITY CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,885.00 WITH PERCEPTION ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve the Tile and Mastic Abatement in limited locations at the Central Park Community Center in the amount of \$24,885.00 with Perception Environmental, Inc.; seconded by Commissioner Pilch.

Roll Call Vote: Emmett – Yes, Wolf – Yes, Pilch – Yes

Motion approved.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

A brief discussion took place in regards to future employment changes in 2024.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Wolf made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Pilch.

On a voice vote, the motion to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. was approved.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:


James Katula, Secretary


James R. Emmett, President