MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OAK BROOK PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS February 17, 2020 – 6:30 p.m. Canterberry Room

1. CALL TO ORDER THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND ROLL CALL

President Knitter called the Special Meeting of the Oak Brook Park District to order at 7:07 p.m. Commissioners Suleiman, Truedson, Tan and President Knitter answered, "present". Commissioner Trombetta was absent. Also present were Laure Kosey, Executive Director, Marco Salinas, Chief Financial Officer, Dave Thommes, Deputy Director, and Bob Johnson, Director of Parks and Planning.

2. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 17, 2020 AGENDA OF THE SPECIAL MEETING

Motion: Commissioner Tan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Truedson, to approve the February 17, 2020, agenda for the special meeting.

There was no discussion, and the motion pass by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Suleiman, Truedson, Tan and President Knitter.

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Trombetta

OPEN FORUM

None.

4. SPECIAL MEETING BUSINESS

a) Discussion of the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan and Requested Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Operating Budget

Marco Salinas presented the budget for the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Operating Budget and the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan.

Mr. Salinas said there are two unknowns in this year's proposed budget: the true impact of the new minimum wage law requirements and the expanded management of the Sports Core.

The Board asked for clarification of various line items within the proposed budget.

Ms. Kosey said staff is researching the possibility of installing solar panels at the Recreation Center when the roof is replaced next year. She noted that there are many grants available for solar panel installation.

Commissioner Suleiman suggested that the IT budget should be increased in the 5-Year Capital Project Plan. She said technology innovation as it relates to Park District services was evident at this year's conference with registration moving more and more away from email and going towards text and kiosk registration capabilities.

Commissioner Suleiman suggested staff budget for intense marketing since Lifetime Fitness and a natatorium will soon open in the area.

President Knitter suggested possibly offering specials for two-year and three-year memberships in order to try to keep swimmers and fitness center users at the Park District.

President Knitter asked for an update on sponsorships for the new year.

Ms. Kosey said she does not have a specific number on hand, but said we are budgeting for a similar number as last year.

In regard to the Sports Core management, Commissioner Truedson said several residents expressed their anger at the last Village meeting with Melissa Martin, who is an accounting professor, expressing her concerns about the financial impact it will have on the Village.

Ms. Kosey said Ms. Martin was misinformed on the financial portion of the agreement.

Commissioner Tan said Ms. Martin's concerns were based on fixed expenses that the Village has including depreciation and upkeep. Commissioner Tan said in the end, this new management agreement should benefit the residents of Oak Brook.

Commissioner Tan said the concern is that residents who use the Bath & Tennis Club believe that it is their private club, and if you have non-residents buy memberships, there will be blowback from these residents.

Commissioner Truedson said it is a very small number of residents that use the Bath & Tennis Club and that most residents he has talked to believe it is a waste of money to benefit so few.

There was a brief review of the remaining smaller funds in the budget.

President Knitter commended staff for their hard work in drafting the budget and getting it where the Park District needs to be when considering the new minimum wage requirements.

5. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 16, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

President Knitter announced the next Regular Meeting of The Oak Brook Park District Board of Park Commissioners will be held on March 16, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Laure Kosey Executive Director

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Tan, to adjourn the February 17, 2020 special meeting at the hour of 8:07 p.m.

There was no discussion, and the motion pass by voice vote.

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