

**Minutes**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAK BROOK PARK DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**January 16, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.**  
**Canterberry Room**

1. CALL TO ORDER THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAK BROOK PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND CONDUCT THE ROLL CALL

President Knitter called to order the regular meeting of the Oak Brook Park District Board of Commissioners at the hour of 6:30 pm. Commissioners Ivkovic Kelley, Suleiman, Trombetta, Truedson, and President Knitter answered "present" from the Oak Brook Park District Family Recreation Center, Canterbury Conference Room. Also present in Canterbury Conference Room was Laure Kosey, Executive Director; Marco Salinas, Chief Financial Officer; Dave Thommes, Deputy Director; and Bob Johnson, Director of Parks and Planning.

2. OPEN FORUM

President Knitter asked if there were any public comments.

- a. Oak Brook Reserve: James and Sally Prescott, Prescott Group
  - i. James Prescott addresses the Board Members about the ongoing developments at the Oak Brook Reserve, formally the McDonald's Corporation Headquarters.

Commissioner Suliman asked about a residential component, as she has concerns about overwhelming the Oak Brook public school system.

Mr. Prescott informed the Board that a potential residential area would need to encompass the culture of the community, and decisions to create residential housing should be made with seriousness.

President Knitter thanked the Prescott Group for coming and sharing about the unique neighboring property.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 16, 2023 AGENDA
- b. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - i. December 12, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- c. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ENDING December 31, 2022
  - i. Warrant 668

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Trombetta, to approve taking a single omnibus vote on the Consent Agenda as presented.

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

Ayes: Commissioners Ivkovic Kelley, Suleiman, Trombetta, Truedson, and President Knitter

Nays: None

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

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Trombetta, to approve the Consent Agenda, and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Ivkovic Kelley, Suleiman, Trombetta, Truedson, and President Knitter

Nays: None

4. STAFF RECOGNITION

- a. None

5. COMMUNICATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- a. Board of Commissioners to share communications.

President Knitter stated she had received a lot of positive comments about the Winter Lights at Central Park from in-district attendees.

President Knitter also expressed concerns from in-district participants of the Family Aquatic Center, saying the HVAC unit has been too loud.

- b. Tennis Center Business Plan

Alin Pop, Superintendent of Tennis Operations at the Tennis Center, presented the Tennis Center Business Plan.

Mr. Pop stated that the Tennis Center has been conservative with its expenses. Additionally, he informed the Board of upcoming operational projects planned for the 2023/2024 fiscal year.

President Knitter congratulated Mr. Pop for returning to pre-pandemic levels so quickly and asked if the Tennis Center could cultivate its own program instructors to help with staffing shortages.

Mr. Pop stated that the Tennis Center currently has four assistant coaches who are also enrolled in their programs.

- c. License Plate Recognition (LPR) system to assist law enforcement

Robert Pechous, Superintendent of Communications and IT, informed the Board that he has been working with the Village of Oak Brook to gather additional information about the LPR system. The proposed system could assist the law enforcement. The system would assist with proactive policing. There is a rental fee associated with the equipment. Additionally, the LPR system raises concerns about privacy issues.

Commissioner Suleiman sees the LPR system as an asset to the community.

President Knitter stated it could be an asset as the Park District is in close proximity to the mall. However, with technology evolving rapidly, she would prefer a leasing program as opposed to purchasing.

Commissioner Truedson would like additional information with testimonials from both owners and leasers of the equipment.

Commissioner Trombetta is interested in the concept.

6. REPORTS:

a. Communications, IT, and Administration Report

Dr. Laure Kosey presented her report, which can be found in the Park District's records.

Dr. Kosey reported that the Winter Lights at Central Park had over 27,700 participants with over \$4,500 in donations. Staff is planning for the future of expanding this event.

b. Finance & Human Resources Report

Mr. Marco Salinas presented his report, which can be found in the Park District's records.

Mr. Salinas reported on producing the fiscal year-end reports. The General, Rec., and Tennis Center Funds are in surplus.

Mr. Salinas reminded the Board that the budgeting process began for staff.

Dr. Kosey stated there would be a new budget line for IT. This restructuring should better assist with fund allocation. The Board will hear more about the budget in the March and April Board Meetings.

c. Recreation & Facilities Report

Mr. Dave Thommes presented his report, which can be found in the Park District's records.

Mr. Thommes reported there had been a lot of new members coming in the New Year and with the Silver Sneakers program.

d. Parks & Planning Report

Mr. Bob Johnson presented his report, which can be found in the Park District's records.

Mr. Johnson stated that the Parks Department has gone out to bid on both projects at the North Fields. So far, they have received a good response from nine contractors interested in the development.

Mr. Johnson stated that they had received the prepayment for the OSLAD grant.

Mr. Johnson stated that the Winter Amenities are up, but the weather is not cooperating. The seasonally warmer weather has allowed Parks to provide winter pruning.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Family Aquatic Center HVAC and Deck Replacement Bid

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Trombetta, to reject all bids received for the Family Aquatic Center HVAC and Deck Replacement Bid.

Ayes: Commissioners Ivkovic Kelley, Suleiman, Trombetta, Truedson, and President Knitter

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner

- b. Ordinance No 23-0112: An Ordinance providing for the issue of not to exceed \$3,060,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2023, of the Oak Brook Park District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, for The Purpose Of Building, Maintaining And Improving The Land And Facilities Located At The District's Central Park, Including Building An Amphitheater, A Shelter, An Outdoor Challenge Course And A Structure Housing Restrooms, Storage And Concessions, Replacing Synthetic Soccer Field Turf, Building An Additional Bridge Spanning Ginger Creek, Replacing HVAC And Pool Tile Deck At The Aquatic Center And Painting At The Aquatic Center And For The Payment Of The Expenses Incident Thereto, Providing For The Levy Of A Direct Annual Tax To Pay The Principal And Interest On Said Bonds And Authorizing The Sale Of Said Bonds To The Purchaser Thereof.

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Trombetta, to approve Ordinance 23-0112: An ordinance providing for the issue of \$3,060,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2023, of the Oak Brook Park District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, for the purpose of building, maintaining and improving the land and facilities located at the District's Central Park, including building an amphitheater, a shelter, an outdoor challenge course, and a structure housing restrooms, storage, and concessions, replacing synthetic soccer field turf, building an additional bridge spanning Ginger Creek, replacing HVAC and pool tile deck at the Aquatic Center and painting at the Aquatic Center and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof.

Ayes: Commissioners Ivkovic Kelley, Suleiman, Trombetta, Truedson, and President Knitter

Nays: None

- c. Oak Brook Park District Promise Scholarship for Part-Time Staff

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Trombetta, to approve the Oak Brook Park District Promise Scholarship.

Ayes: Commissioners Ivkovic Kelley, Suleiman, Trombetta, Truedson, and President Knitter

Nays: None

- d. Objectives and Key Results for January 1, 2023, through April 30, 2024.

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Trombetta, to approve the Objectives and Key Results for January 1, 2023, through April 30, 2024.

Ayes: Commissioners Ivkovic Kelley, Suleiman, Trombetta, Truedson, and President Knitter  
Nays: None

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Central Park North Phase II Bid

Mr. Johnson stated that sections 8 a. and 8 b., of this Agenda, were in the bidding process. Both bids will be awarded to the same contractor.

b. Central Park North Concession/Restroom/Storage Bid

See section 8 a.

c. Appointment of Executive Director to Approve Change Orders not to Exceed \$30,000

Dr. Kosey stated that both 8 a. and 8 b., of this Agenda, would potentially entail the approval of large change orders for both projects. They are requesting the approval of change orders not to exceed \$30,000.

President Knitter understands the timeliness of the potential changes but would like a plan in place to be aware of said changes.

Commissioner Truedson also understands the timeliness and would like an awareness plan.

Commissioner Trombetta asked Mr. Johnson if he foresees a lot of “unknowns” for the project.

Mr. Johnson stated that at this time, it would be difficult to plan future extensions, as they have yet to begin land work, but he does assume there will be changes needed.

President Knitter would like any approved change orders added to the Board Report.

d. Ordinance 23-0220: An Ordinance Transferring Funds To And From Several Park District Funds

Mr. Salinas will begin transfers to pay on debt and capital improvements.

e. Market-Based Salary Range Adjustment

Dr. Kosey stated that is an annual adjustment of the salary range only.

f. Resolution 23-0221: A Resolution Amending The Agreement Between The Oak Brook Park District And Classic Landscape, Ltd. For Turf Grass Mowing

Mr. Johnson stated they would be renewing the agreement at the same price.

g. Family Aquatic Center HVAC Bid

Mr. Thommes stated they would break the Family Aquatic Center HVAC Bid into two parts. To assist in updating the HVAC unit faster. There is a 36-week lead time on the materials. Once received, the pool will need to be shut down.

h. Family Aquatic Center Pool Deck Bid

President Knitter asked about the replacement of the tile.

Mr. Rob Bond, Superintendent of Aquatic and Maintenance Operations, stated there are a couple of flooring options they are looking into. One is concrete to give a more industrial feel and the other is a life flooring made of a non-porous foam.

9. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAK BROOK PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 20, 2023, 6:30 P.M.

President Knitter announced that the next Regular Meeting of the Oak Brook Park District of Park Commissioners would be held on February 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suleiman, to adjourn January 16, 2023, regular meeting of the Oak Brook Park District Board of Commissioners. The motion passed by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at the hour of 7:19 p.m.



Laure L. Kosey, Executive Director