

**Minutes**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAK BROOK PARK DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**September 12, 2022 – 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 6:31 pm. Commissioners Ivkovic Kelley, Suleiman, 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. No one addressed the Board.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 12, 2022 AGENDA
- b. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - i. August 15, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- c. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT ENDING AUGUST 31, 2022
  - i. Warrant 663

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suleiman, 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, Truedson, and President Knitter

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Trombetta

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

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Trombetta

4. STAFF RECOGNITION

- a. None

5. COMMUNICATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- a. Board of Commissioners to share communications.

Commissioner Suleiman stated that residents are concerned about the overcrowding of the outdoor pickleball courts. To help with overcrowding issues, residents were interested in adding lights to extend gameplay into the evening hours.

President Knitter stated that the main concern with the overuse of the courts is due to non-resident usage. Many of the players are from the surrounding communities and are part of traveling pickleball clubs. They know where all the free courts are and rotate between all of them throughout the day. Some clubs are more friendly than others. A few groups are letting additional players rotate into play. However, a growing number of Oak Brook residents are becoming irritated.

Dr. Kosey stated that while at the NRPA National Conference, staff will explore with other park and recreation professionals to seek solutions.

Commissioner Suleiman would like to see the satellite parks advertised to the residents.

President Knitter believes the players will find the courts whether advertised or not.

- b. Oak Brook Park District Master Vision Biannual Review

Dr. Kosey stated that the Master Vision is reviewed twice a year.

- c. Oak Brook Park District Strategic Plan Biannual Review

Dr. Kosey stated that the Park District's Strategic Plan is from 2020 through 2024. There are several items that will be accomplished by November, 2022.

President Knitter asked how the Park District could explore new trends in the next ten years—citing solar or electric opportunities for the Park District to consider as we approach 2030.

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 on the completion of CAPRA and Distinguished Agency, with final interviews coming in early October.

Dr. Kosey stated that the staff has been interviewing civil engineers about the bridge over Ginger Creek. Creating a more sustainable bridge has been needed for some time, as the water levels are unpredictable and the current system floods.

Dr. Kosey informed the Board that there would be additional measures to tighten security in the Preschool Purple Room. These measures will fully enclose the outstanding door inside Cori's Way.

Dr. Kosey invited the Board Members to the annual Friends of the Oak Brook Park District Appreciation Night.

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 the last four months of the fiscal year. The Personal Property Replacement Taxes came in almost double the collections received the previous year.

Mr. Salinas stated that programming and the aquatic center financials had increased over the last year due to fewer covid-19 related restrictions.

Mr. Salinas stated that the general and recreation funds look better, whereas the Tennis Center has been experiencing fewer group lessons.

President Knitter stated that room rentals at the Family Recreation Center were down.

Staff will follow up on the decrease in room rentals.

c. Recreation & Facilities Report

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

Mr. Thommes stated that the Family Recreation floors have been refinished and are now fully operational.

Mr. Thommes stated that the Halloween Trick or Treat Trail, created initially in light of the covid-19 restrictions, is sold out more than a month before the event.

President Knitter stated that the event is cost-efficient and well attended compared to the Haunted Trail.

Mr. Thommes stated that several healthcare memberships at the Family Recreation Center had been activated, and they had begun offering them to the public.

Dr. Kosey stated that the health care memberships at the Family Recreation Center and repairing the HVAC in the aquatic center were both comments from the Community Wide Attitude and Interest Assessment Survey.

d. Parks & Planning Report

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

Mr. Johnson reported that permitting for the outdoor restrooms and concession were submitted to the Village of Oak Brook for reviewing and permitting.

Mr. Johnson stated that asphalt replacement had been completed, and staff is working on restoring the terrain.

Mr. Johnson reported that the entry gate installation at the Dean Nature Sanctuary is almost complete.

Mr. Johnson stated there had been warranty repairs to the Sandlot playground surface.

Commissioner Ivkovic Kelley asked about the repair of the second-floor fan at the Tennis Center.

Mr. Thommes stated that Craig Tuley from the Tennis Center Maintenance Department was addressing the situation.

## 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### a. Saddle Brook Playground Equipment Purchase

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suleiman, to accept the proposal from Illinois Play, LLC. for the purchase and installation of playground equipment and surfacing for Saddle Brook Park and to approve an agreement between the Park District and Illinois Play, LLC for a not-to-exceed cost of \$178,028.88.

Mr. Johnson stated that the Park District would keep the fitness equipment at Saddle Brook Park. The equipment would be placed in a separate container.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Trombetta

### b. Ordinance No. 22-0912 An Ordinance Declaring Surplus Personal Property and Authorizing Conveyance or Sale Thereof

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suleiman, to approve Ordinance 22-0912: An Ordinance Declaring Surplus Property and Authorizing Conveyance or Sale Thereof.

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Trombetta

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

### a. Agreement for Professional Civil Engineering Services for the Ginger Creek Bridge

Dr. Kosey stated that the Park District is seeking qualified engineering firms to evaluate the current bridge crossing and design a solution to create accessible access across the creek for pedestrians and small maintenance vehicles.

### b. Architect and Engineering Agreement for HVAC System and Pool Deck Replacement at the Aquatic Center. (\*\*\*)Requires Waiving the Board Rules to Approve at this Meeting.)

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suleiman, to waive the Board Rules to Approve at this Meeting, the Architect and Engineering Agreement for the Replacement of the HVAC System and Pool Deck at the Aquatic Center and to approve a contract between the Oak Brook Park District and Kluber Architects + Engineers for a not-to-exceed cost of \$60,750.00

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Trombetta

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suleiman, to approve the Architect and Engineering Agreement for the Replacement of the HVAC System and Pool Deck at the Aquatic Center and to approve a contract between the Oak Brook Park District and Kluber Architects + Engineers for a not-to-exceed cost of \$60,750.00.

President Knitter asked if the price was just for the design.

Mr. Thommes stated they are concerned about lead time.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Trombetta

c. Synthetic Turf Replacement

President Knitter stated the current turf has been in use for ten years and wanted to know if any new turf products were available to better assist the athlete's safety.

Mr. Johnson stated that there are new field turf products available. The old fill will be recycled, and the new carpet will be reinstalled, which will be safer and better for the heat. They are scheduled to replace the current turf in July or August of 2023 and are hoping to lock in the pricing.

Commissioner Suliman inquired about the best time to install new turf, as July and August seemed busy.

Dr. Kosey stated that the project would be completed during a break between programming.

Mr. Johnson stated that the project would take three weeks.

President Knitter asked how the new turf would be funded.

Dr. Kosey stated that the turf and the HVAC upgrades would be part of the 2023 bond issue.

d. R22-0913: A Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Change Order Involving an Increase in the Contract Price with Chicagoland Paving Contractors, Inc. for the Asphalt Replacement Project. (\*\*\*)Requires Waiving the Board Rules to Approve at this Meeting.)

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suleiman, to waive the Board Rules, to approve at this meeting, Resolution 22-0913: A Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Change Order Involving an Increase in the Contract with Chicagoland Paving Contractors, Inc, for the Asphalt Replacement Project.

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Trombetta

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suleiman, to approve Resolution 22-0913: A Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Change Order Involving an Increase in the Contract with Chicagoland Paving Contractors, Inc, for the Asphalt Replacement Project.

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

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

Nays: None


Absent: Commissioner Trombetta

9. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAK BROOK PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 17, 2022, 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 October 17, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Commissioner Truedson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suleiman, to adjourn the September 12, 2022, 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 7:00 p.m.



Laure L. Kosey, Executive Director