Cary Park District
Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole Meeting
November 10, 2022
7:00 PM
Community Center
255 Briargate Road
Cary, IL

## **Minutes**

Board Members Present: Stanko, Renner, Victor and Carasso.

Staff Present: Jones, Kelly, Krueger, Hall, Rogus, Hughes.

Guests Present: John Miles and Charlie Kane, Golfvisions.

Commissioner Renner called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Renner asked if there were any matters from the Public, Commissioners, and staff.

Under matters from the Public, there was no public present.

There were no matter from Commissioners.

Under matters from staff, Jones stated that he had taken a phone call from a resident about the ducky slide from the old pool and the resident was interested in acquiring it. Further, he stated that other individuals had reached out in the past about the deck chairs from the old pool and acquiring individual chairs. Jones stated there about 50 chairs. Jones requested feedback from the Commissioners whether they would have interest in making these items available to individuals who wish to acquire them. Victor stated she was in favor and inquired whether the items could be put to auction with proceeds going to the Cary Park Foundation. Stanko stated he was not in favor of disposing of items due to liability issues and setting a precedent. Carasso stated that she was in favor and there should be an option for individual to sign a release or waiver releasing the Park District from responsibility for the items. Renner stated he was in favor. Jones stated that based on the consensus of the Commissioners present staff would look into options to auction and make specific items available to those who wish to acquire them.

The minutes from the October 13, 2022 COW meeting were presented for approval.

Stanko moved to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Victor.

Voice vote: Yes – 4, No – None. Motion carried.

The first Direction Item was, Visage GPS Fleet/Course/Golfer Management System – Foxford Hills Golf Club. Jones stated that Miles and Kane were here this evening to present this item to the Committee. Jones stated that FHGC has performed extremely well financially the past several years and that he was supportive of adding GPS to the course for golfer benefit but more so for what the system will bring to the overall management of the golf course. Miles and Kane presented the features and benefits of the system to the Committee which include, potential improvements to pace of play, reduction of course maintenance costs, reduction of labor costs, revenue generating options in food and beverage and improving overall efficiency to course operations. Miles and Kane presented the cost which is a four year lease agreement at \$3,600/month.

Renner asked for discussion. Stanko asked if the system, rather than improving pace of play, hurt pace of play, how this would be addressed by golf staff. Renner asked if the monthly fee was the same for the entirety of the lease. Carasso asked if the GPS units would be transferable to a new fleet of cart if they current fleet was replaced. Hearing no more discussion, Renner asked for a motion.

Stanko moved to recommend Board of Commissioners approval for the lease of Visage GPS and Management System for Foxford Hills Golf Club (FHGC) fleet of 80 golf cars by allowing the Executive Director to signing the intent to lease the equipment for 80 golf carts and approve one (1) month \$3,600 in payment to hold FHGC's position to have units installed during the 2023 golf season. Second by Carasso.

Voice Vote: 4 – Yes. No – None. Motion Carried.

The second Direction Item was, Ordinance O-2022-23-03, Annual Tax Levy 2022. Jones stated that prior to discussion of the levy, staff had an update to provide with information received that afternoon. Krueger stated the assessor had provided an update on the growth in the EAV for the District, which was greater than the projection provided in October. Krueger stated that impact to the District would be loss of \$8,000 to the District in the Special Recreation Fund. She stated that the District's levy percentage of 8.97% over the previous years extension was not high enough to capture all the taxes the District could have captured with the late change to the EAV projection for District provided by the assessor that day. Krueger stated that the District is far into the process to approve its levy ordinance having already posted its Truth and Taxation Notice in the NW Herald and scheduling a public hearing for November 17<sup>th</sup> and that staff did not recommend exploring options to revisit these items to raise the levy to capture the entire growth of the EAV. Krueger stated that past practices to speak with the assessor for a projection in October were followed and that in previous years, this projection had always been spot on. The Committee thanked Krueger for the update.

Krueger stated the levy ordinance presented this evening was based on the previous discussions of the Committee. Renner asked for questions, hearing none, he asked for a motion.

Victor moved to recommend Ordinance O-2022-23-03, Annual Levy Ordinance for the Year 2022 to the Board of Commissioners for approval. Second by Carasso.

Voice Vote: Yes – 4, No – None. Motion Carried.

The third, fourth, fifth and sixth Direction Items were, Ordinances O-2022-23-04, 05, 06 and 07, Abatement of Debt Service Tax Levies. Krueger stated that each year the County Clerk automatically levies a Bond & Interest Fund tax to provide for the annual debt service on any outstanding general obligation bonds. However, since General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue) pledge other sources of revenue for debt service, the backup levy by the County Clerk for debt service on these bonds needs to be abated to avoid double taxation.

Carasso moved recommend Abatement Ordinances O-2022-23-04, O-2022-23-05, O-2022-23-06 and O-2022-23-07 as presented to the Board of Commissioners for approval. Second by Victor.

Voice Vote: Yes – 4, No – None. Motion Carried.

The seventh Direction Item was, Illinois Association of Park Districts 2023 Conference Credentials. Jones stated that IAPD will hold its annual meeting at the annual conference in January and that in order for the District to be a voting participant at this meeting it must complete the credentials document and name delegates. The Committee discussed and determined delegates to be named.

Stanko moved to recommend Board of Commissioners approval of the 2023 IAPD Credentials Certificate and the designation of delegates as follows: Delegate – Victor; 1st Alternate – Renner; 2nd Alt. – Carasso; 3rd Alt. – Jones. Second by Carasso.

Voice Vote: Yes – 4, No – None. Motion Carried.

The eighth Direction Item was, Resolution R-2022-23-02, Support of Rotary Club Operation Pollination Program. Jones stated that this item was discussed previously at the October COW meeting and that direction at that time was for staff to review this item and bring a recommendation back to the COW for consideration. Rogus reviewed the background staff looked at to arrive at the resolution of support for this program. Rogus stated that staff was of the opinion that the program would be something brought forward by the Rotary Club to the District for consideration. He stated that Sands Main Street Prairie, as it is an Illinois Nature Preserve, is a property managed by the District that would meet the initiatives of such a program. Rogus stated that staff had drafted a resolution in support of Operation Pollination benefits with Sands Main Street Prairie being named in the resolution. Renner asked for comment from Stanko as he had been the Commissioner to bring this item forward initially. Stanko stated that Sands Main Street Prairie was an appropriate location to be named and that the benefits of Operation Pollination were important. Stanko stated that the District and its work at Sands Main Street Prairie were already promoting the same initiatives.

Victor moved to recommend Board approval of Resolution R-2022-23-02, "A Resolution Supporting the Goals of Operation Pollination." Second by Stanko.

Voice Vote: Yes – 4, No – None. Motion Carried.

The ninth Direction Item was, Policy 4-008a, Executive Director Performance Appraisal. Jones stated that this policy had been discussed previously at the October COW meeting. Jones stated direction from that meeting was to revise the policy based on discussion that evening and bring the policy back to the

Committee for consideration. Jones stated that the revised policy captures the discussion from that evening.

Stanko moved recommend Board of Commissioners approval of Policy 4-008a, Performance Appraisal – Executive Director. Second by Carasso.

Voice Vote: Yes – 4, No – None. Motion Carried.

Renner asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Victor. Second by Stanko.

Voice vote: Yes - 4. No – None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:59pm.

Daniel C. Jones, Secretary Park District Board of Commissioners