MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE CARY PARK DISTRICT, CARY, ILLINOIS, HELD AT COMMUNITY CENTER, 255 BRIARGATE RD, CARY, IL, ON OCTOBER 28, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Renner called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following Commissioners answered present: Mrs. Victor, Mr. Renner Mr. Stanko, Mr. Frangiamore, Mrs. Carasso.

Staff

Staff present: Dan Jones, Executive Director, Sara Kelly, Deputy Director; David Raica, Director of Planning/Development, Katie Hughes, Director of Comm. and Marketing.

Guests

Megan Streit
Xander Ingallinera
David Cook
Laura Jacobson
Jen Hora
Scott Stark
Lincoln Tumility
Glen Barklow
Michael Murphy
Brian Dawson

There were approximately 25 attendees who did not wish to speak as part of Matters From The Public, but were present in support of a Teen Center/E-Sports.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

IV. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Megan Streit expressed her interest in a Teen Center. She discussed the benefits, CGHS involvement and possible ideas for its location. She discussed programs like CG Buddies that would benefit from a Teen Center.

Xander Ingallinera spoke to a Teen Center being a location for e-sports and an e-sports team. He discussed current offerings of the Park District related to Teens and the lack of program offerings. He closed his remarks with a spoken word poem he had written.

David Cook stated that he is a teacher at CGHS and was in support of both Megan and Xander.

Laura Jacobson stated that she is a teacher at CGHS, teaching interior design. She stated that a Teen Center would be a good option for student led projects to design the facility.

Jen Hora spoke to her support of a Teen Center. She stated that she has a child participant in CG Buddies program as well as another child who volunteers their time in the same program. She stated that a program like CG Buddies would benefit from such a facility.

Lincoln Tumility spoke to the challenges faced by students at CGHS related to social and emotional health. He stated that a Teen Center would improve the social emotional health of students by bringing people together and having a place to meet with one another.

Scott Stark spoke to COVID its impact on students at CGHS and its impact on the social emotional health of students. He stating increasing opportunities for socialization is important for students. He stated that a Teen Center would be an opportunity for teachers and students to improve their bonds with one another.

President Renner closed Matters From The Public and commended all who spoke and thanked all others in attendance.

Renner asked the Board if there was interest in moving a discussion of a teen center/e-sports to a Committee for further discussion. The consensus of the Board was yes. Renner asked for a motion.

Victor moved to send discussion of a teen center/e-sports to a future committee meeting. Second by Carasso. Renner asked for discussion. Stanko stated that he would like to amend the motion to a specific committee date. Board discussion centered on a first discussion to develop direction for staff on information or items to be presented at a future committee meeting. The consensus of the Board was to have initial discussion at the Committee meeting dated December 9, 2021. After discussion by the Board, Stanko moved to amend the motion to add "the Committee meeting dated January 13, 2022". Second by Frangiamore. Renner asked for a voice vote on the amendment to the motion. Voice Vote: Yes – 5, No – None. Motion carried. Renner than asked for a vote on the original motion. Voice Vote: Yes – 5, No – None. Motion carried.

V. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Carasso stated that it was unfortunate the fireworks had to be canceled. She stated she had expressed concerns over safety fencing and signage at the aquatic facility job site and was pleased her concerns had been addressed.

Victor stated that the Park District had done a good deal of work to prepare for the fireworks event and that it was disappointing it had to be canceled. She stated that she attended the Howl O Ween Dog event and that there was great participation.

Stanko stated that he was excited that the fireworks had been canceled due to weather, rather than COVID, as it is a feeling of normalcy.

Renner stated that he and his wife Donna had volunteered to work the Hay Rides at Hoffman Park. He expressed how great he thought the event is and that he encouraged others to check it out in the future.

Renner stated that he and his dog had also participated in the Howl O Ween Dog parade. Renner stated that he, Stanko, Victor and Carasso had attended the IAPD Gala event and presented a plaque that was received that evening recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Park District.

Renner stated that members of the Cary Park Foundation were in attendance to make a presentation to the Board. Jones introduced Glen Barklow, Brian Dawson and Michael Murphy. Murphy provided an overview of past Foundation accomplishments including the award of \$15,000 in college scholarships to 19 students of CGHS, financial support of the Lions and Kaper Revitalization project in the amount of \$2,400 and the financial support of \$13,000 for Park District Senior programs and activities. Murphy stated that tonight, the Foundation Board was pleased to present a check for \$20,400 to support the inclusion of a sand volleyball courts and power pedestals to the Aquatic Facility project at Cary-Grove Park. The Board thanked the Foundation for their generous contribution to the project.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

Renner asked if any items were to be removed from the Consent Agenda. No items were requested for removal.

Stanko moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: VI.A.1 – Approval – Minutes Special Board Meeting dated September 16, 2021; VI.A.2 –October 22, 2021 Disbursements in the Amount of \$664,257.99; VI.A.3 – Acceptance – Treasurer's Report dated September 30, 2021. Second by Frangiamore.

Roll call vote: Yes – Frangiamore, Carasso, Stanko, Victor and Renner. No – None. Motion carried.

VII. BUSINESS ITEMS

VII.A. Any Items Removed From Consent Agenda

None.

VII.B. Action Items

VII.B.1 – Announce – Tax Levy 2021.

Jones stated that all the Action Items for consideration had been recommend by the Committee of the Whole unanimously by the four members in attendance.

Jones stated that the Board is required to announce its tax levy 2021 no less than 20 days prior to approval of the levy. He stated that for this evening, President Renner should announce that tax levy 2021 will not exceed 105% of the previous year's extension.

Renner stated aloud that the Board of Commissioners of the Cary Park District announces that its Levy Estimate for 2021 shall not exceed 105% of the previous year's tax extension.

VII.B.2 -- Consider - Competitive Sale for Issuance of General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2021B.

Jones stated that staff and Speer Financial would conduct the sale of the Park District annual rollover bond and present the results of the sale to the Board for consideration at its November meeting.

Frangiamore moved to conduct a competitive sale for the issuance of General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2021B. Second by Victor.

VII.B.3 - Acceptance - Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, FY ended April 30, 2021.

Jones stated that Brad Porter of Lauterbach and Amen presented the audit to the Committee of the Whole in October. He stated that all questions had been answered during that meeting. Jones stated the Board must accept the annual audit.

Frangiamore moved to accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ended April 30, 2021. Second by Victor.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Frangiamore, Carasso, Stanko, Victor and Renner, No – None. Motion carried.

VII.C. Discussion Items

VII.C.1 – None.

VIII. Executive Director Report

Jones provided updates on the cancellation of the 50th Anniversary Celebration scheduled for October 29th. Jones provided an overview of the genesis of the Knotty Pines and Fox Trails Playground Replacement projects and the ITEP Hoffman Park Trail project. Raica provided progress updates on all three projects.

IX. Closed Session Summary and Action

None.

Renner asked for a motion to adjourn.

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

Voice vote: Yes – 5. No – None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Daniel C. Jones, Secretary Park District Board of Commissioners