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**MINUTES  
RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
November 11, 2014**

**1. Roll Call:**

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Recreation Committee was held on November 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: Commissioner R. Evans, Comm Rep Dressler, Kaplan (7:10), Neel, Chairman McGinn

Absent: Comm Rep Koltz, Wittkamp

Also Present: Executive Director Bostrom, Deputy Director / A&F Director Talsma, Rec/ Facilities Director Kies

Audience: GM Golf Bechtold, IT Manager Agudelo, Commissioners Greenberg, K. Evans, Kilbridge, Mohan, President Bickham, Comm Reps Kinnane, Katis, Musial, Winner

**2. Agenda:**

Commissioner R. Evans made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Dressler to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

**3. Minutes:**

Commissioner R. Evans made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Dressler to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2014 meeting as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

**4. Comments from the Audience:**

None

5. **Old Business:**

None

6. **New Business:**

A. Recreation, Facilities & Golf Report/M14-129:

Commissioner R. Evans noted that the dates listed in the Rec Report were incorrect and should be **Saturday**, November 15<sup>th</sup> for the Make A Wish and Nutrition Workshop presently listed as Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. Chairman McGinn also noted that the facility numbers on page 9 and 13 had already been corrected.

Comm Rep Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner R. Evans to send the report M14-129 to the board with the corrected dates. The motion carried by voice vote.

B. 2015 Budget /M14-120:

- Fund 02 (Rec & Facilities)
- Fund 11 (PSSWC)
- Fund 14 (BPC)

Deputy Director Talsma reviewed the items noting that the objectives were out of the ordinary items to be addressed and the budget was the funding to address those objectives.

He reviewed the \$1,000,000 in the Rec reserve fund explaining that they would be moving it to the Capital Fund because they will be releasing the bond. He also reviewed the 2% salary pool for increases along with the 2 full-time positions at PSSWC that were now being held as part-time positions and the full-time custodian to be hired for BPC. He noted that the tax levy remained constant and that PSSWC and BPC did not receive tax monies. He explained they were looking to increase TC and WRC memberships fees along with the 50+ group going from \$10 to \$15 annually.

He explained that PSSWC has refunded a bond earlier that had reduced their annual payments and that they were looking to contribute \$600,000 this year and \$550,000 in future years. He explained that BPC was funding \$100,000 of the debt and they would be replacing their full-time F&B Manager with two full-time people.

Comm Rep Neel asked about the utilities and Deputy Director Talsma explained that they had locked in at an incredibly low rate last time and while they were still at a very low rate this time around, however, it was 30% higher than the locked in rate from 3 years ago.

Commissioner R. Evans asked if an additional \$5 on the 50+ would be sufficient and Deputy Director Talsma noted that he believed it would be helpful enough.

Chairman McGinn asked about the indoor soccer program and Director Kies explained it was coming back from Grand Sports Arena as the district felt they could do a better job for the public. He noted it was a beginning program and would be held in the TC gym.

President Bickham asked about the membership increase notification and Director Kies explained that letters were sent approximately six weeks in advance of the increase.

Comm Rep Katis asked about the number of seniors and it was noted that while they had 1100 on the list, approximately 600 were active. Comm Rep Katis also asked about the bonds and Deputy Director Talsma noted that they got \$3,000,000 back through the debt service and that they would complete the release next week. It was noted that the interest was approximately 4.75% versus the 5.5 or 6% from previous years.

Comm Rep Utas asked if the district thought of Sears for the indoor soccer and Director Kies explained they were working now on programming for hockey and staff could check on indoor space for soccer also. He asked about the custodian at BPC and GM Golf Bechtold explained that a more qualified full-time person would be able to better deal with building issues that they had. It was noted that they would still use part-time staff for cleaning.

Objectives:

President Bickham asked about the WiFi at SFAC and Deputy Director Talsma explained that they were looking to set up WiFi through BPC, although Comcast was a second option. He explained that through Comcast, they would have to pay for 12 month service though where the point to point to BPC would be installation only and no charge for actual use. In any event, both options should be able to be completed by the opening of SFAC.

Comm Rep Neel asked about the Farmer's Market and Director Kies explained it was an objective for 2015, however they were not sure the farmer from 2014 would be able to participate.

Commissioner Greenberg asked about drop in league programs impacting the membership and Director Kies said he did not believe it would. Comm Rep Kaplan asked if the members did not pay for drop in and it was noted that they did not.

Commissioner Greenberg asked about refurbishing the activity pool ceiling for 2015 noting that it was just completed. Director Kies noted that the correct budget year would be 2016. It was also noted that the 30,750 rounds for BPC would be obtained in **2015** Season and that page 3 of the Golf Division Goals & Objectives (Goal 3/Initiative 1/Items 3 and 4) should read **Mower** not Mover and **Wall** not all.

Comm Rep Neel asked about the Gambling Machines and GM Golf Bechtold explained that they were beginning to pick up.

Comm Rep Dressler asked if there was somewhere that explained how the goals were achieved and Deputy Director Talsma noted that each division had a Working Plan to address the objectives.

Budget:

Deputy Director Talsma noted that next year the Baseball/Softball would be a part of the Rec Services section of the budget.

Commissioner Greenberg asked about the larger deficit for the SFAC with the high utility cost of water (leak) and Director Talsma explained that the district had already received a \$17,000 credit but it had posted in October missing this report's cut off.

Comm Rep Utas asked why the retaining wall was not listed on BPC Capitals and Deputy Director Talsma explained that it was under Fund 12 (Capitals) instead.

Comm Rep Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner R. Evans to recommend the board approve the Goals and Objectives for Rec & Facilities, PSSWC and BPC and the 2015 Budget for Fund 02, 11, 14 with the corrections noted above. The motion carried by voice vote.

**7. Committee Member Comments:**

Comm Rep Neel said the budget looked great.

Commissioner R. Evans agreed and noted that the pickle ball he saw at PSSWC had over 100 people in attendance.

Comm Rep Kaplan said it was a good budget.

Comm Rep Dressler said the budget was great and very easy to read. She also thanked BPC for participating in the Food Festival 11/20/14 and asked for volunteers and attendees. She also thanked Exec Asst

Kaczmarek on sending out the ribbon cutting film noting that the signs were beautiful.

Chairman McGinn said he viewed the hockey this past weekend and it was great. He commended the staff on the budget.

**8. Adjournment:**

Comm Rep Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner R. Evans to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean R. Bostrom  
Secretary

Peggy Kusmierski  
Recording Secretary