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**MINUTES
RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING
May 9, 2017**

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Recreation Committee was held on May 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: Commissioner Kinnane, Comm Rep S. Neel, Snyder, Wittkamp, Chairman R. Evans

Absent: Comm Rep Dressler, Henderson

Also Present: Executive Director Bostrom, Rec/Facilities Director Kies, Golf Director Bechtold

Audience: Commissioners Kilbridge, McGinn, Kaplan, President Bickham, Mr. K. Evans

2. Approval of Agenda:

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

3. Minutes:

Comm Rep Wittkamp made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Snyder to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2017 meeting as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Comments From the Audience:

None

5. Old Business:

None

6. New Business:

A. Hoffman United Soccer Club/M17-048:

Director Kies explained that staff had been working with the Hoffman United Soccer Club (HUSC/Travel Program) and that they were looking to run the program independently and rent fields from HEPD.

Executive Director Bostrom explained that HEPD was the only district running travel soccer in-house that he was aware of. He noted that the district did not run the football program in-house either, but helped to facilitate the program.

Commissioner Kinnane asked about the Certificate of Insurance and Director Kies noted that they had to provide the standard with the district identified as additionally insured.

Comm Rep Snyder asked about the fee covering the maintenance of the fields and Executive Director Bostrom explained that it was much better than when the district was running it in-house. He also noted that the district would charge additional fees if there was extensive damage to the fields.

Commissioner McGinn asked if the district would continue to maintain the fields and Executive Director Bostrom explained that the district would continue to mow, however, after the first striping, it would be the responsibility of HUSC.

Commissioner Kilbridge asked about the Foundation scholarships and Executive Director Bostrom explained that the travel program would no longer be eligible but the remaining in-house program would. It was noted that HUSC would have their own scholarship program.

Commissioner Kilbridge asked about D-7 and if the over 21 could be enforced and Director Kies noted that it could, given the use of referees, etc.

Commissioner Kilbridge asked about D-8 and Director Kies explained that the paragraph had been reviewed and approved by legal counsel.

Commissioner Kilbridge asked if the district would be informed if HUSC lost insurance and it was noted that if the insurance was canceled, the district would be notified.

Commissioner Kilbridge asked about the Inspection Form and it was determined that the form would need some clarification with regard to how repairs would be handled.

Mr. K. Evans asked about the liability accounts and Executive Director Bostrom explained that there was a minimal amount left in the accounts; that the teams had been spending down the balances. Mr. K. Evans expressed concern that if the present leaders of the HUSC became disinterested that the group might fold if they were not in-house programs. He asked if the district would run their own travel program and Executive Director Bostrom explained that there would be nothing to prevent the district from doing that. Director Kies noted that all the parents were behind the move to becoming an independent program.

President Bickham asked about concessions and it was noted that the district would offer them our outside contractor as a contact. President Bickham asked about the port-o-lets and Executive Director Bostrom noted that it would be the same as our program.

Commissioner Kaplan asked about the district's involvement with unhappy parents in the independent program and Executive Director Bostrom noted that parents would be made aware that it was no longer a district-run program. Chairman R. Evans also asked about conflicts and Director Kies noted that the district might help to facilitate conversation but that the parents were being made aware that the program was no longer in-house. It was also noted that the league usually required background checks.

Mr. K. Evans asked about tournaments and Director Kies noted that it would be a separate rental.

Comm Rep Snyder made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Neel to recommend the board approve the rental agreement with HUSC, LLC for the fall 2017 and spring 2018 seasons as outlined in M17-048 and with the correction noted above. The motion carried by voice vote.

B. Wings and Talons License Agreement/M17-059:

Director Kies reviewed the issue noting that Roelof Boonstra was no longer involved with the program and that the new group was meeting all requirements.

Commissioner Kilbridge asked who owned the birds and it was noted that they were owned by the Federal Government. Commissioner Kilbridge questioned the wording in item 10 and it was noted that the final line should be corrected to read 'within prime time'. She also asked for clarification of Item 22 and it was noted that the first two raptor programs referred to in the paragraph should be "park district fee-based".

Mr. K. Evans asked what would happen to the birds if the new organization folded and Executive Director Bostrom noted that they would be taken by the Federal Government.

President Bickham asked about the additional mews and Executive Director Bostrom noted that there was a master plan for 12 mews and that their building was the responsibility of the organization.

Chairman R. Evans asked when Talons and Wings was created and it was noted that it was right after NIRC was disbanded. Chairman R. Evans noted that at their last presentation he had visited, they had presented a very professional presentation.

Comm Rep Neel made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Wittkamp to recommend the board approve the agreement between Wings and Talons and the Park District as outlined in M17-059 and with the corrections and clarifications noted above. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. AthletiCo Agreement extension/M17-060:

Director Kies reviewed the item noting that AthletiCo brought added value to PSSWC. He also explained that he felt the district was getting a good rate for this space.

Chairman R. Evans asked about the childcare section and Executive Director Bostrom explained that it was the same as the members were offered.

Mr. K. Evans asked what the district would use the space for if AthletiCo was not there and Director Kies noted that the district would be looking to replace them. Mr. K. Evans asked about Amita and Director Kies noted that the issue with hospitals was the constant buy-out and change overs and that AthletiCo was privately owned and more stable.

Commissioner Kilbridge asked why no brokers were allowed and Executive Director Bostrom noted that it was a legality.

President Bickham asked why they were assessed property tax for the first time in 2014 and Executive Director Bostrom said he believed the County had just become aware of it.

Commissioner Kinnane asked why the district felt they should give them a break because of the assessed taxes and Executive Director Bostrom noted that the district could afford to renegotiate the contract as cost of rentals has gone down. He explained that the district was still getting a very competitive rate. Commissioner Kinnane asked if the issue could be bid out and it was noted that they could but were not required to.

Comm Rep Snyder asked when AthletiCo had first contacted the district about a reduction and Director Kies noted that it had been sometime in January.

Mr. K. Evans asked about the AthletiCo patients using the pool without being members and Director Kies explained that they had to be accompanied by their therapist; it was a requirement.

Comm Rep Wittkamp made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Neel to recommend the board approve the First Amendment to the lease agreement with AthletiCo Physical Therapy as outlined in M17-060. The motion carried by voice vote.

D. Balanced Scorecard/M17-055:

Executive Director Bostrom reviewed the 1Q2017 noting it was a 3-month look back.

Comm Rep Neel made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Snyder to recommend the board approve the Balanced Scorecard 1Q2017 as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

E. Recreation, Facilities & Golf Report/M17-061:

Director Kies reviewed the item. Executive Director Bostrom noted that June 8 would be live music at BPC and that a Foundation and Park District Board gathering was being planned for that day.

Director Bechtold reviewed his report noting that the rounds were ahead on the 5-year average, however the dollars were not as far ahead since many of the additional rounds were discounted. He also noted that the bunkers were completed and draining well with the exception of 2 that staff were working on. He also reminded the committee that #17 was designed to flood. He noted that the new Superintendent, Bill Meyer, was doing very well and they were looking forward to a smooth transfer.

Comm Rep Snyder said he liked the extra rakes and happy to see the new sand in the practice area.

Commissioner Kaplan questioned staff regarding the family walking through the course recently and Director Bechtold noted that staff was informing them that BPC was not a park to visit and would be contacting the police for repeat offenders. Discussion ensued regarding the new carts and Director Bechtold noted that the system was designed to tell the driver how fast they could go and if they exceeded that, the cart would shut down.

Chairman R. Evans asked about plans for the hut and Director Bechtold explained that it had been repainted and was used for outings. He also noted that they were looking at a new ball washer.

Comm Rep Neel made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Wittkamp to send the Rec, Fac & Golf Report M17-061 to the board as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

7. Committee Member Comments:

Comm Rep Neel commented on the good job done for the packet.

Chairman R. Evans reminded everyone of the Garage Sale May 20 and of the Foundation's Celebri-Tee Golf Outing June 14 at BPC.

8. Adjournment:

Comm Rep Neel made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Wittkamp to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean R. Bostrom
Secretary

Peg Kusmierski
Recording Secretary