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**MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1070
October 26, 2021**

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Board of Commissioners was held on October 26, 2021 at 7:07 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: President Kinnane, Commissioners Chhatwani, Dressler, K. Evans, Friedman, Kaplan, and McGinn

Absent:

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Director of Finance Hopkins, Director of Parks, Planning and Maintenance Hugen, Director of Recreation Kapusinski, Director of Golf and Facilities Bechtold, Director of Administrative Services Cahill, Executive Assistant Flynn

Audience: Comm Reps Kulkarni, Musial, Utas, Wilson and Winner; Jenny Jones, Michael Ahrens and Dr. Hoover and family

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Everyone present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Recognition

Dr. Thomas Hoover was recognized as the Best of Hoffman for the 3rd Quarter 2021; Jenny Jones was recognized as the Part-Time Employee of the 3rd Quarter 2021; and Michael Ahrens was recognized as the Full-Time Employee of the 3rd Quarter 2021.

5. Recess for A&F Committee Meeting:

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Evans to recess the Board Meeting at 7:15 p.m. for the purpose of convening the A&F Committee meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

Dr. Hoover, Jenny Jones and Michael Ahrens left the meeting.

6. Reconvene Following A&F Committee Meeting:

Commissioner Chhatwani made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to reconvene to the Regular Board Meeting at 8:00 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Comm Reps Evans, Kulkarni, Musial, Utas and Wilson left the meeting.

7. Approval of the Minutes:

Commissioner Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held September 28, 2021 as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

8. Comments from the Audience:

None.

9. Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Kaplan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to approve the consent agenda items A through G.

On a Roll Call: Carried 7-0

Ayes: 7 Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Friedman, Kaplan, McGinn, Kinnane

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

- A. Early Order Chemical and Fertilizer Purchase / M21-094 (see B&G October packet)
- B. Updated Mandatory Vaccination Policy / M21-096 (see A&F October packet)
- C. Open and Paid Invoice Register: \$774,913.18 (see A&F October packet)
- D. Revenue and Expenditure Report, Financial Analysis, and District Wide Operations Statement (see A&F October packet)
- E. Acceptance of B&G Minutes 09/14/2021 (see B&G October packet)
- F. Acceptance of Rec Minutes 09/14/2021 (see Rec October packet)
- G. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 09/28/2021 (see A&F October packet)

10. President's Report:

President Kinnane reported that he attended the Historical Luncheon with Pat Burch, and enjoyed the wealth of knowledge she shared. President Kinnane also attended the Chamber of Commerce Reception for New Businesses, as well as the IAPD Gala Awards Dinner. He added a reminder of the IAPD Legal Symposium coming up on November 4.

11. Adoption of Executive Director's Report:

Commissioner Chhatwani made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Evans to adopt the Executive Director's Report as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

12. Old Business:

None

13. New Business:

A. Limited Bond Issue Ordinance O21-004 / M21-097

Following a discussion of the Limited Bond Issue, the following was read aloud: Ordinance 021-004 provides for the issuance of general obligation limited tax park bonds, series 2021, of the Hoffman Estates Park District, Cook County, Illinois, in one or more series in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 and for the levy of a direct tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds.

Commissioner Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to approve Ordinance O21-004 as presented,

On a Roll Call:	Carried 7-0
Ayes:	7 Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Friedman, Kaplan, McGinn, Kinnane
Nays:	0
Absent:	0

14. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Evans attended the Haunted Hoffman Family Fest and said it was unbelievable. Very well-organized and well-attended. All attendees seemed very happy. He also thanked Executive Director Talsma for including his notes on the NRPA conference in the Executive Director's Report.

Executive Director Talsma added kudos to Director Kapusinski and her team for planning and executing the Haunted Hoffman Family Fest. This will become our signature event, taking the place of Party in the Park. In addition, our 5K was canceled this year due to low registration numbers, so we will add a 5K to the Halloween Fest next year.

Commissioner Chhatwani said well done with the colorful printed senior program. She also asked if C&M could put a photo of the Commissioners on the billboard wishing the community a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. Finally, she noted that there will be a luncheon celebrating Diwali on November 9 in the senior center, and asked if we could add a Happy Diwali sign on November 4.

Commissioner McGinn said that he also attended the Haunted Hoffman Family Fest and noted that the mayor and some trustees were in attendance as well. He also attended the Monster Truck event at the NOW Arena. Executive Director Talsma added a thank you to Pat Bodame, Supervisor of Recreation, for camping out overnight when the security company canceled at the last minute.

Commissioner Dressler presented a quote she heard during a virtual session at NRPA: “Parks serve many roles; parks are for people, not just about cost but value; parks have the power to heal; parks can protect us and parks can connect us.”

President Kinnane attended the Schaumburg Township First Responders Veterans event, where there was an emotional tribute set up for the 13 soldiers killed in the Afghanistan bomb blast.

Commissioner Friedman has coached three teams this summer. The high school team had a great season. His pony team (13- and 14-year-olds) didn't win a game, and had three boys who had never played before; he read one example of a letter from a parent (he received several), letting him know of the positive impact he had on their child.

Commissioner Kaplan stated that he will be attending the IAPD Board retreat this coming weekend and will bring back any news he received from that event.

15. Executive Session

Commissioner Kaplan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to move to Executive Session at 8:14 p.m. for the purpose of:

- A. Minutes, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act
 - September 14, 2021
- B. Pending or probably litigation, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2, Section 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act.

On a Roll Call: Carried 7-0-0

Ayes: 7 Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Friedman, Kinnane, McGinn,
Kaplan

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

16. Potential Discussion and Possible Vote:

Commissioner Kaplan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to reject the Sears EDA Settlement Agreement as proposed, structured and understood.

On a Roll Call: Carried 7-0-0
Ayes: 7 Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Friedman, Kinnane, McGinn, Kaplan
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

17. Adjournment:

Commissioner Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 p.m.

On a Roll Call: Carried 7-0-0
Ayes: 7 Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Friedman, Kinnane, McGinn, Kaplan
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma
Secretary

Cindy Flynn
Executive Assistant