

**HANOVER PARK DISTRICT
1919 WALNUT AVENUE
HANOVER PARK, ILLINOIS 60133
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2021**

**MINUTES
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Board Meeting of Park Commissioners was called to order on Monday, December 13, 2021 by President Elkins at 7:00pm.

Upon the roll being called, the following answered:

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present:	4	Commissioners Fuentez, Reilly, Mustafa, Vences and President Elkins
Commissioners Absent:	0	None
Staff Present:	4	Executive Director O'Brien, Superintendent of Parks & Planning Bessette, Business Services Manager Santucci, and Marketing & Communications Manager Gomez
Staff Absent:	2	Manager Kress, Superintendent Cox
Guests Present:	4	Attorney Mraz , Blake Wittkamp, Chris Thompson, JJ Villar

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and seconded by Commissioner Fuentez to approve the agenda with an amendment to add Item C under New Business to discuss the Rec meeting of the previous week, as presented.

With no further discussion and upon the roll being called, the following answered:

Ayes:	4	Commissioners Fuentez, Reilly, Vences, and President Elkins
Nays:	1	Commissioner Mustafa
Absent	0	None

Motion carried.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Guests for the meeting included Blake Wittkamp, Chris Thompson, and JJ Villar. No other members of the public were physically present in the Board Room, none present virtually through Zoom and no questions or concerns were received prior to the meeting.

JJ Villar discussed teen and youth leadership programs and the development of those programs to reach the community and help teens reach their goals.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Fuentez and seconded by Commissioner Reilly to approve November 8, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes, and November 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, as presented.

With no further discussion and upon the roll being called, the following answered:

Ayes:	4	Commissioners Fuentez, Reilly, Vences, and President Elkins
Nays:	1	Commissioner Mustafa

Absent 0 None

Motion carried.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Mraz stated there was nothing new to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Commissioner Fuentez and seconded by Commissioner Reilly to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending November 30, 2021.

Business Services Manager Santucci reported that in November \$239.10 was earned in interest and \$19,862 in tax disbursements was received. She added that the December 16, 2021 bond payments are being processed.

With no further discussion and upon the roll being called, the following answered:

Ayes: 4 Commissioners Fuentez, Reilly, Vences, and President Elkins
Nays: 1 Commissioner Mustafa
Absent 0 None

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance – Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements (May 1, 2021 through November 30, 2021)

A motion was made by Commissioner Fuentez and seconded by Commissioner Mustafa to accept the Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements May 1, 2021 through November 30, 2021, as presented.

With no further discussion and upon the roll being called, the following answered:

Ayes: 4 Commissioners Fuentez, Reilly, Vences, and President Elkins
Nays: 1 Commissioner Mustafa
Absent 0 None

Motion carried.

WARRANT

A motion was made by Commissioner Fuentez and seconded by Commissioner Reilly to approve Warrant #21-22-08 covering check numbers 81022-81053 from the Payroll Checking Account in the amount of \$118,626.74 and check numbers 64160-64267 from the General Corporate Checking Account in the amount of \$248,642.98 for a Grand Total Warrant in the amount of \$367,269.72, as presented.

With no further discussion and upon the roll being called, the following answered:

Ayes: 4 Commissioners Fuentez, Reilly, Vences, and President Elkins
Nays: 1 Commissioner Mustafa
Absent 0 None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion to Add the Pledge of Allegiance to the Board Meeting Agenda

President Elkins shared his views against adding the Pledge of Allegiance to the Board meetings. Commissioner Reilly spoke in favor of adding the Pledge to Board meetings, stating she felt it was respectful to support the flag and as a

part of government the Pledge should be said. Commissioner Fuentez reminded Commissioners that there was a time when the Pledge was said at Board meetings. Commissioner Vences asked staff present their opinions.

B. Motion to Approve Adding the Pledge of Allegiance to All Board Meeting Agendas

A motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and seconded by Commissioner Fuentez to approve adding the Pledge of Allegiance to all Board Meeting Agendas, as presented.

With no further discussion and upon the roll being called, the following answered:

Ayes:	4	Commissioners Fuentez, Reilly, Mustafa, and Vences
Nays:	1	President Elkins
Absent	0	None

Motion carried.

C Recreation Meeting Discussion

Commissioner Reilly had questions regarding scheduling a meeting regarding new programs in the Dome. Rec Supervisor Wittkamp replied that the meeting didn't happen. Director of Tennis Thompson stated that the meeting schedule was sent out some time ago, and Wittkamp asked today for a schedule. He added that they would try to meet soon. Commissioner Reilly went on to say that Pickleball members have been kept waiting for a court when there have been open tennis courts labeled reserved, but not reserved to anyone. Executive Director O'Brien stated that Pickleball is here to stay and tennis and rec need to work together on scheduling. There was considerable discussion on the use of tennis courts for Pickleball versus Tennis and the structuring of fees for tennis membership and pickleball membership. President Elkins ended the lengthy and unproductive discussion by requesting staff to schedule a meeting to work on these issues before the next Board Workshop.

CORRESPONDANCE

A thank you letter was received from NWSRA-SLSF regarding the Celebrate Ability Gala.

FUTURE EVENTS

A. Park Business

- ~HP Village Workshop: Business Plan: Roadmap to Success – December 14, 2021 @10am – Village Hall
- ~HP Village EDC Meeting – December 14, 2021 – 12:30pm Village Hall
- ~HP Park Foundation Board Meeting – December 14, 2021 @7pm – Board Room & Zoom
- ~HPPD Staff Bowling & Lunch – December 14, 2021 – Midway Landing Bowling Alley, Bartlett
- ~Park Board Maintenance Committee Meeting – January 10, 2022 @5pm Board Room
- ~Park Board Workshop Meeting – January 10, 2022 – Board Room & Zoom
- ~Park Board Personnel Committee Meeting – January 24, 2022 @5pm – Board Room
- ~Park Board Regular Meeting – January 24, 2022 Board Room & Zoom

B. Community Events

- ~Santa Visits – December 18, 2021 @10am

C. Other Events

- ~Chamber Meeting – December 15, 2021 @10:30am
- ~HP Lions Club Meeting – December 15, 2021 @7pm
- ~HP Lions Club Christmas Basket Distribution – December 18, 2021 @9am – Longmeadow Activity Center
- ~Christmas Eve Holiday – December 24, 2021
- ~Christmas Day Holiday - December 25, 2021

Commissioner Mustafa informed the Board that he and his wife would not be attending the next Hanover Park Park District Foundation Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by President Elkins and seconded by Commissioner Reilly to adjourn the December 13, 2021 Board of Commissioners Regular Board Meeting at 8:08 pm.

There being no further discussion the following answered:

Ayes:	5	Commissioners Fuentez, Reilly, Mustafa, Vences, and President Elkins
Nays:	0	None
Absent	0	None

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Bob O'Brien
Board Secretary
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