HANOVER PARK PARK DISTRICT 1919 WALNUT AVENUE HANOVER PARK, ILLINOIS 60133

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR BOARD MEETING COMMUNITY CENTER BOARDROOM & ZOOM CONFERENCING APP MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2022

MINUTES 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Board Meeting of Park Commissioners was called to order on Monday, October 24, 2022 by President Fuentez at 7:03 pm.

Upon the roll being called, the following answered:

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: 4 Commissioners Elkins, Mustafa, Reilly, and President Fuentez

Commissioners Absent: 1 Vences

Staff Present: 2 Executive Director O'Brien,

Executive Assistant Quigley,

Staff Absent: 0 None

Guests Present: 3 Attorney Mraz, Nauman Azeemi, Aaron Gold

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Elkins and seconded by Commissioner Reilly to as presented. Attorney Mraz recommended the addition of an Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

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

Ayes 5 Commissioners Elkins, Reilly, Mustafa, Vences, and President Fuentez

Nays: 0 None Abstain: 0 None

Motion carried.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Commissioner Mustafa stated he has been dealing a whole 2 weeks with drama in park district, executive board. One of his concerns is that he does not perceive the Park District as a friendly district. He stated no one wants to be here, no one wants to work, they just want to sit in their closet and hide. He began to recount an incident in 2001, that if he, in his own words, knew what he knows now, he would be collecting money from the park district as he would have sued him. His son registered for football, Rick Wulbecker (a former employee) called to state that someone else had been added to the team instead of his son as the Family of the other young man was not comfortable with his son being on the same team as Commissioner Mustafa's son. He then stated he attempted to make a motion, and no one on the board backed him up (referring to the situation involving Regan, wherein he attempted to move that she be brought before the board and be made to apologize for her concerns brought before the board in that earlier meeting). Attorney Mraz came forth to add a point of order to state that Secretary O'Brien doesn't need to respond to it as it is Commissioner Mustafa's commentary, when Commissioner Mustafa loudly demanded that Secretary O'Brien be made to answer for not dragging the employee before the board. He then stated that Front Desk Coordinator Dzik is racist for telling him to take his business elsewhere after an argument with him. Commissioner Mustafa stated that the park district

had nothing before him, no religious events, no cricket, nothing, which is incorrect as has been stated in several public meetings prior to this one. He alleges that he is being discriminated against. There are apparently issues with the way we charge for events, stating that nowhere else charges you for set up or tear down time. This is also incorrect, as has been stated many times by staff. Commissioner Reilly stepped in to assist in stating that there was another recent issue where they went over their time limit claiming Commissioner Elkins states that the Park District is charging for the time before and the time after the meeting, which is not only in keeping with standard practices for anywhere one would rent a venue, but is also stated in our rental contracts. Attorney Mraz stated that we charged for an extra hour when it was done, which has resulted in the check going from 750 to 600. Commissioner Mustafa is concerned that it hasn't taken 2 weeks to get that money back. Commissioner Vences states that it is customary that your event ends before the actual clean up takes place, not after the time of your rental has concluded. Commissioner Mustafa continued to state that everyone in The Park District, on the Board of Commissioners, and as a member of Staff is racist and discriminatory, that no one wants to work, they just want to collect their salaries. He recounted the previous Friday where he did not see Secretary O'Brien's car in his usual spot in the parking lot, and therefore alleged that Secretary O'Brien was not there (he was incorrect. Secretary O'Brien had simply stepped out for an appointment and returned to work again after.). At this point, he continued to speak on people not wanting to work on a Friday as he had run into Executive Assistant Quigley on her way out. At this point, Commissioner Elkins and Commissioner Vences called a halt to the meeting as Commissioner Mustafa had become exceedingly aggressive towards the members of Staff present.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Elkins and seconded by Commissioner Vences to adjourn the 10/24/2022 Regular Board Meeting as nothing further could be discussed in the meeting and nothing was getting done.

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

Ayes 4 Commissioners Elkins, Reilly, Vences, and President Fuentez

Nays: 1 Commissioner Mustafa

Abstain: 0 None

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Bob O'Brien Board Secretary

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