

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

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING
COMMUNITY CENTER BOARDROOM & ZOOM CONFERENCING
APP MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023**

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

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Board Meeting of Park Commissioners was called to order on Monday, February 13, 2023 by President Fuentez at 7:00pm.

Upon the roll being called, the following answered:

ROLL CALL

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

Commissioners Absent: 0 None

Staff Present: 7 Executive Director O'Brien, Superintendent of Parks & Planning Bessette, Marketing and Communications Manager Gomez, CCAC Manager Snodgrass, Recreation Superintendent Cox, Business Services Manager Santucci and Executive Assistant Quigley

Staff Absent: 0 None

Guests Present: 5 CPA Howard, Belinda Mustafa, Laura Reilly, Ruben Aguilar, Yocelina Aguilar

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Vences and seconded by Commissioner Mustafa to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Mustafa requested that Agenda item 17: Matters from the Public be moved to Agenda Item 5: Approval of the Agenda. Commissioner Elkins objected to the movement of Matters from the Public, stating that it was placed where it was in the order for a reason. President Fuentez proposed a compromise, suggesting that the movement of Agenda Item 17: Matters from the Public could be feasibly moved to after Agenda Item 6: Staff Introduction of Edie Runnion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mustafa, with a second from Commissioner Vences, to amend the meeting agenda, as presented.

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

Ayes	2	Commissioners Mustafa and President Fuentez
Nays:	2	Commissioners Elkins and Vences
Abstain:	0	None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vences and seconded by Commissioner Mustafa to approve the Agenda as originally presented.

Upon the Roll being called, the following answered.

Ayes	3	Commissioners Vences, Mustafa, and President Fuentez
Nays:	1	Commissioners Elkins
Abstain:	0	None

Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF EDIE RUNNION

New Human Resources Officer Edie Runnion was introduced to the board by Business Services Manager Santucci. H.R Officer Runnion came to the Hanover Park Park District with many years of Human Resources Experience as well as a certification as an HR Generalist.

STAFF REPORTS

Administration, Business Services, and Marketing

President Fuentez requested that Secretary O'Brien RSVP him for the March 6th IAPD Legislative Breakfast. Marketing and communications manager Gomez stated that the Spring Digital Playbook had gone live on the website, with the notification postcards to follow shortly. Business Services Manager Santucci notified the Board that the 2023-2024 Annual Budget was in the works, and requested that the Commissioners complete their Needs Assessments as soon as possible for their ranking options to be considered when creating the upcoming 23 Capital Projects list.

Parks and Planning

Superintendent of Parks and Planning Bessette informed the board that the electrical switch was in the process of being made, but it would still be another 20-25 weeks before it would arrive and be installed given the continuing supply chain issues. He also alerted the Board that there had been another power scare the previous week, where the Community Center lost power due to an issue on Comed's part. The OSLAD Grant for Community Park is continuing, with half of the OSLAD grant funding recently arrived. The Parks and Planning department is looking to break ground on the renovations as early as April, once the ground thaws.

Recreation

Superintendent of Recreation Cox notified the Board that the recruitment of Lifeguards for this year's pool season was well underway, with a decent response thus far. She stated that HR Officer Runnion had also

been assisting with the recruitment as well as the paperwork. She also alerted the Board that the U46 grant process was well underway through Supervisor Casteneda for the Preschool program.

CCAC

CCAC Manager Snodgrass stated that the club has been very busy on weekends and the staff is looking to extend weekend hours to meet the demands of the business. He also informed the board that Wheaton College was looking to start their season for Tennis as well. TRX fitness programs had also been met with support from members and the community, with over \$1,000 of training session already having been sold. The Fitness room had also seen significant improvement of use, with all machines seeing utilization. With the fact that Tennis and Pickleball programs and trainings are now set to succeed, Manager Snodgrass stated that his focus had turned to Fitness.

Commissioner Mustafa took the opportunity to discuss his concerns about Cricket Leagues, stating that he had spoken to Muhammad about the schedule and he relayed that the group was unhappy and would not come back next year because "They had no choice". Superintendent Cox explained how the Staff handles the rentals again, reminding him that the dates are agreed upon by both groups of renters, and by necessity, compromises must and had been found. She stated she would personally speak with Muhammad again regarding the situation. Commissioner Elkins requested that the board move on, as the board had voted and vetoed his request for an Ad Hoc Cricket committee.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Review the Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the month ending January 31, 2023

Business Services Manager Santucci presented the Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements. Commissioner Mustafa raised a question about the 10's fund, wanting to know how it had risen so much compared to the previous year. Manager Santucci explained that the difference represented in the year over year came from a settlement.

RECREATION

Superintendent Cox discussed the progress of the Rental Brochure, stating that it was entering it's final stages. She also presented the rental agreements for CASO and MWCC cricket leagues for the Board's review.

PARKS AND PLANNING

Superintendent Bessette notified the Board that Park Inspections had been proceeding much the same as previous months, with little change as the ground was still frozen and unworkable. He also reiterated that it would be another 20-25 weeks before the Community Center Electrical issue would finally be resolved.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution # 22-23-29- A Resolution Approving the MWCC Cricket League Rental

A motion was made by Commissioner Vences and seconded by President Fuentez to approve Resolution #22-23-29- A Resolution Approving the MWCC Cricket League Rental, as presented.

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

Ayes	2	Commissioner Vences and President Fuentez
Nays:	2	Commissioners Mustafa and Elkins
Abstain:	0	None

Motion did not carry.

B. Resolution #22-23-30 A Resolution Approving the CASO Cricket League Rental

A motion was made by Commissioner Vences and seconded by President Fuentez to approve Resolution #22-23-30 A Resolution Approving the CASO Cricket League Rental, as presented.

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

Ayes	2	Commissioner Vences and President Fuentez
Nays:	2	Commissioners Mustafa and Elkins
Abstain:	0	None

Motion did not carry.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Belinda Mustafa was recognized by the Board. She began with the following quotation: “The intelligent way to be selfish is to work towards the welfare of others”. She went on to discuss the true meaning of volunteering, stating that several people went to a recent seminar and said that people were not there, didn’t go to the sessions, and only went for the food instead of doing what they were supposed to do. She suggested that people who went and didn’t attend seminars should instead pay the park district back, and recommends that they should not have not in the hotel at all, and should have instead driven back and forth the whole time.

Laura Reilly was recognized by the Board and presented the Rising Star award to the board and public, stating that ‘we’ won it. She also introduced Mr. Ruben Aguilar and talked about the flooring in the downstairs gym area. He has a couple of options for the Gym Flooring/Basketball courts. What we have not is Vinyl, the other option is to change it to hardwood flooring. Hardwood would be more durable and long lasting. The reason we don’t have wood in the gym is because of moisture issues, as was articulated by Superintendent Bessette.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Mustafa asked about IAPD/IPRA conference, asking if the other commisioners and staff went to classes, what ideas they came back with. He asked that they present them next time to go through the ideas.

CORRESPONDANCE

None to report.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Elkins and seconded by Commissioner Vences to adjourn from the 2/13/2023 Workshop Board Meeting at 8:28pm.

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

Ayes	4 Commissioners Vences, Mustafa, Elkins, and President Fuentez
Nays:	0 None
Abstain:	0 None

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob O'Brien
Board Secretary