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**Buffalo Grove Park District Board of Commissioners
WORKSHOP MINUTES**

**Zoom
January 24, 2022
6 pm**

Due to COVID-19 and the prevalence of the Omicron variant, the President of the Board of Commissioners declared it is not practical or prudent to meet in-person and the Board Workshop is to be held virtually online.

Commissioners Present: Tracy Bragg, Steve Cummins, Scott Jacobson and Adriane Johnson

Staff Present: Executive Director Ryan Risinger, Director of Business Services and Human Resources John Short, Director of Parks and Planning Tim Howe, Director of Recreation and Facilities Erika Strojinc, Superintendent of Recreation Chuck Burgess, Superintendent of Communications and Marketing Mike Terson, Risk Manager Dani Hoefle, Recreation Supervisors Amanda Busch and Jessi Hersman, and Executive Assistant Beth Wanland

Attorney David Bloomberg was present

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

President Jacobson called the Workshop to order at 6 pm. The roll was called and Commissioners Bragg, Cummins, Jacobson and Johnson answered present.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Elizabeth Owens-Schiele, a reporter for the Chicago Tribune/Pioneer Press joined the meeting at 6:12 pm.

APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP AGENDA

Vice President Bragg moved to approve the Workshop Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Johnson and passed with a roll call vote.

AYES: Bragg, Cummins, Jacobson and Johnson
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: Reiner

FINANCE

January 2022 Warrant

There were no comments on the January 2022 Warrant.

December Financial Statement

Director Short said the final payment on the Fitness Center debt was made. He said programming is going well and hopes it will continue.

December Year to Date Statement

Director Short said the tax revenue is right where we expect it to be. He said Cook County's tax revenue should be arriving in early March and that will be a nice addition.

January Refunds

There were no comments or questions on January refunds.

Board Travel and Conference Expense

Director Short said this is the first time we've seen Board and Conference Expense in two years.

POLICY AND LEGISLATION

Vaccine Policy and Testing Review

Executive Director Risinger said he wanted to have the opportunity to update the Board on the new policy and let them know how it is going, if needed. He said staff has been dealing with a few issues but things are getting better and he recommended waiting a few more weeks to update the Board at the next meeting. Commissioner Cummins confirmed that we have plenty of testing kits onsite.

RECREATION

Buffalo Grove Days Memorandum of Understanding

Executive Director Risinger said we are ready to work with the Village and committee volunteers. Director Strojinc said the Village is asking the Park District to handle the main stage entertainment and food vendors/trucks in addition to what they handled last year.

PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

President Jacobson said he is looking forward to attending conference and hopes it goes well.

Commissioner Johnson said she is also looking forward to conference. She said all conference attendees should have received an email on requirements, including vaccination, to attend. She said the closing reception will be onsite this year. She confirmed that Commissioner Cummins will be our delegate at the IAPD Annual Meeting on Saturday. Commissioner Cummins added that he will reach Master Board Member status next year. Commissioner Johnson said she is advancing a Park District and Public Utility Liability Act on the state level and said it looks like it will pass. She gave kudos to staff for all their hard work during the pandemic. She said she was very impressed with the number of sponsorships achieved last year.

Commissioner Bragg said she won't be able to attend conference due to her son going to Mayo Clinic. She said she attended the Friends of the Parks January meeting as Park Board liaison. She reported the foundation had to cancel their January event due to COVID concerns but said they are moving forward with planning their annual Trivia Night event on April 2.

Commissioner Cummins said he, too, is looking forward to conference and the professional development sessions. He thanked Buffalo Grove staff for all their hard work implementing the new Cook County COVID mandates.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

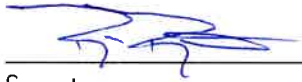
Vice President Bragg moved to adjourn the Workshop at 6:22 pm, seconded by Commissioner Cummins and passed with a roll call vote.

AYES: Bragg, Cummins, Jacobson and Johnson

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Reiner

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary