Minutes of a Regular Session of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Downers Grove Park District held on November 3, 2022 at the Recreation Center, 4500 Belmont Road, Downers Grove, IL 60515

Call to Order  Commissioner Mahoney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners Bender, Dahlstrom, Kotula, McDonnell, Mahoney, Executive Director, Bill McAdam; Director of Recreation, Dave Haring; Director of Finance & Technology, Erik Brown; Director of Marketing and Community Engagement, Dawn Hartman; Director of Parks and Facilities, Kevin Rozell; Director of Planning and Construction, Paul Fyle; Superintendent of Technology, Chris Kapus; Clerk, Adine Wrzesinski

ABSENT: None

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Changes to the Agenda: Yes. Taking off the first action item and placing it under unfinished business

Visitors: None

Written Correspondence: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of Minutes – October 20, 2022 Regular Session Meeting
- Consideration of Contract Renewal for IT Managed Services
- Approval of Travel Expenses for Bill McAdam

Commissioner Bender made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner McDonnell seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Bender, McDonnell, Dahlstrom, Kotula, Mahoney
Nays: None
Absent: None

ACTION ITEMS

Commissioner Dahlstrom made a motion to approve to Resolution #22-04 – A Resolution officially naming Walnut Park and Walnut and Burlington Park to Gelwicks Park and Belmont Prairie to Belmont Prairie at Gelwicks Park. Commissioner McDonnell seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Dahlstrom, McDonnell, Bender, Kotula, Mahoney
Nays: None
Absent: None

Commissioner Bender made a motion to authorize the Executive Director to purchase Parks vehicles and equipment. Commissioner Kotula seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners Bender, Kotula, Dahlstrom, McDonnell, Mahoney
Nays: None
Absent: None
BOARD BUSINESS
President Comments – President Mahoney congratulated Staff for being named the best Park District in the My Suburban Life 2022 Reader’s Choice article. This was in the October 27th paper.

Commissioner Comments – Commissioner Dahlstrom has heard positive feedback for the new golf course logo. Great job to Dawn Hartman and the Marketing Team.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –
1. Affiliate Agreement – The Board needed more time to go over the Affiliate Agreement but came to a consensus on the fees. This will be on the 12/1 board meeting as an Action Item.

NEW BUSINESS – Executive Director, Bill McAdam mentioned that the 11/17 board meeting will be canceled and at the 12/1 board meeting Staff will have board reports to discuss, if needed. Bill also discussed that he attended the IAPD Legal Symposium today. He mentioned that there is a new law in place that requires most units of local government to form a committee to study local efficiencies by June 10, 2023, and at least once every 10 years thereafter. The committee’s membership must include the elected or appointed members of the local government’s governing board, at least 2 residents appointed by the board president with the advice and consent of the full board, and any chief executive officer such as the executive director. The board president, or his or her designee, will chair the committee. The committee is considered a public body under the Freedom of Information Act. The committee must study the local government’s governing statutes, ordinances, rules, procedures, powers, jurisdiction, shared services, intergovernmental agreements, and interrelationships with other local governments and the State. It must also collect data, research, and other information that is necessary to prepare a written report summarizing its work and findings. The report must be provided to the county board in which the local government is located and made available to the public within 18 months after the formation of this committee. The committee must meet at least 3 times, and these meetings must be public, be held in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, and allow an opportunity for any person to be heard for at least 3 minutes. At the conclusion of each meeting, the committee must conduct a survey of residents who attended asking for input on the matters discussed at the meeting. IAPD will be working with the IAPD/IPRA Joint Legislative Committee during the next several months to develop resources that can be used to formulate this report.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS – None

Commissioner Mahoney announced that the next Park District Board Meeting will be held December 1, 2022 at the Recreation Center, Multi-Purpose Room.

FINAL ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m. following a motion made by Commissioner McDonnell and seconded by Commissioner Bender.

Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioners McDonnell, Bender, Dahlstrom, Kotula, Mahoney
Nays: None
Absent: None

Robert E. Kotula, Secretary
Downers Grove Park District