MINUTES FINANCE MEETING BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS   December 11, 2019

The Finance Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by President Cohen at 7:31 p.m. in the Jewett Park Community Center. The Secretary called the roll and the following were:

PRESENT:   Antokal, Caron, Cohen, Lapin, Patinkin (5)
ABSENT:    None (0)

and there was a quorum in attendance. Also present was Jeff Nehila, Jeff Harvey, Laura McCarty, Jay Zahn, Tony Korzyniewski, staff members.

Commissioners proceeded to review financial materials relative to the meeting.

Vice-President Patinkin asked about the Klein Thorpe legal bill. Director Nehila responded that it is due to some major appeals due to over assessments. We intervened and are collaborating with other taxing bodies. Commissioner Caron requested staff prepare a summary of spending and savings on tax appeals.

Vice-President Patinkin asked about the water bill at Maplewood Park. Staff responded that there was a leaking pipe.

Vice-President Patinkin asked the clogged sink at Patty Turner Center. Staff responded that the clog was underneath the floor and not just in the visible pipes.

Commissioner Caron asked about the double payroll transfers. Staff responded that is was a clerical error.

Commissioner Caron asked about the sculpture purchase at South Park. Staff responded that the park district purchased it and the South Park PTO will reimburse the district.

Treasurer Lapin asked why there are 5 water bills for the golf course. Staff responded that there are 5 different meters.

Treasurer Lapin asked why we paid someone to cart away wood chips. Staff responded that it was unusable brush left after chipping what we could.

President Cohen asked about the Microsoft Licensing Agreement. Staff responded that it is an annual fee for the entire district.

Director Harvey reviewed the draft Budget & Appropriation Ordinance. The notice of the Public Hearing will appear in the December 12 Deerfield Review and December 16 will begin the 30-day public inspection opportunity. The Ordinance will be presented at the January 16, 2020 board meeting for approval.

Commissioner Caron recommended adding “park district” to the line regarding the tax rate going down in Deerfield from the November 21, 2019 Finance Minutes.
Commissioner Caron asked if there would be any value in applying for the PARC grant for Sachs. Director Nehila responded that the Sachs renovation doesn’t fit well with the PARC grant. The work at Sachs is more cosmetic than functional.

Motion made by Commissioner Caron, seconded by Commissioner Antokal, to adjourn the Finance Meeting at 7:53 p.m. Voice vote as follows:

AYES: Caron, Antokal, Lapin, Patinkin, Cohen (5)
NAYS: None (0)
Motion passed in a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Jeff Nehila, Secretary