The Finance Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by President Caron at 6:31 p.m. in the Jewett Park Community Center. Executive Director Nehila called the roll, and the following were:

PRESENT:

Brown, Caron, Cohen, Patinkin and Serota (5)

ABSENT:

None (0)

Staff: Executive Director Nehila, Director of Finance Jeff Harvey, Director of Recreation Laura McCarty, Deputy Director of Recreation and SRC General Manager Tony Korzyniewski, Director of Golf Operations Jason Mannina and Director of Parks Jay Zahn

I. Receipts and Disbursements

Commissioners proceeded to review financial materials relative to the meeting.

Treasurer Patinkin asked for clarification regarding the \$20,000 floor drains expenditure. Parks Director Zahn advised this was a budgeted Parks Maintenance Facility item.

Treasurer Patinkin referenced the Floral Park LED lighting line item and asked if this was put to bid. Executive Director Nehila advised ComEd is the sole provider of these lights and that the net cost to the District will be zero as the Village will reimburse this expenditure.

Treasurer Patinkin asked for context with respect to the vinyl plank flooring line item. Parks Director Zahn advised this was a budgeted line item towards the maintenance upkeep of the District's rental property on 921 Wilmot.

Treasurer Patinkin commented on the \$26,583.51 expenditure associated with the sound material and acoustical analysis for the for the Shepard Park pickleball courts. A brief discussion ensued regarding the overall budget for Shepard Park.

Vice President Cohen asked for clarification regarding the \$225,000 annual IGA payment to Deerfield Public School District 109. Finance Director Harvey advised this money is towards the Caruso auditorium and two playground renovations. This will be year three of the five-year agreement.

Vice President Cohen noted the \$7,833.96 payment to Reinders, Inc. for golf equipment and asked for additional information. Golf Director Mannina advised this specific purchase was for a rough mower equipment part. The part was necessary as staff cannot obtain a new rough mower due to ongoing supply chain issues.

With respect to the Focus Martial Arts line item, Vice President Cohen asked why the South Park payment was higher in comparison to the other elementary school payments. Recreation Director McCarty advised South Park offers more martial arts classes.

Lastly, Vice President Cohen asked how often staff purchases range balls. Golf Director Mannina advised staff makes this purchase on an annual basis prior to the season. Range ball pricing and golf ball costs have increased exponentially. One new operational change this year will be the exclusion of range balls on the chipping green in an effort to reduce range ball theft. Range balls will also be an easily identifiable neon yellow color. In addition, there will be new signage around the club advising of this operational change and e-mail blasts sent out to club users.

Commissioner Brown asked for clarification regarding annual credit card refunds. Finance Director Harvey advised that the District has multiple credit accounts and every year, each account charges the District an annual processing fee. Generally, these fees are waived or refunded due to the District being a unit of government.

Motion made by Vice President Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Serota, to adjourn the Finance Meeting at 6:43 p.m. Voice vote carried as follows:

March 2023 Finance Meeting Minutes – APPROVED

AYES:

Brown, Caron, Cohen, Patinkin and Serota (5)

NAYS:

None (0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Nehila, Secretary