



PARK DISTRICT/CITY JOINT PROJECTS **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Committee Date: September 9, 2020
Location: Wood Dale City Hall
Community Room
404 N Wood Dale Rd
Wood Dale, IL 60191
Present: Mayor Nunzio Pulice, Alderman Art Woods, Alderman Peter
Jakab, Commissioner Greg Stimpson, Commissioner Denice
Sbertoli
Absent: None
Staff Present: Matt Ellmann, Ben Appler, Kate Buggy

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pulice called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Attendance was taken at the door. A quorum was present.

III. BUSINESS ITEM

- A. Approval of Minutes – July 9, 2020
Motion by Alderman Woods to approve the July 9, 2020 Minutes. Second by
Commissioner Stimpson. Motion carried.

IV. REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION:

A. Operations Status Update

Ms. Buggy reported that City Hall reopened to the public at the end of June and successfully resumed in-person Council and Committee meetings in July. Staff also resumed normal hours upon reopening to the public. She informed the committee that all staff continues to follow CDC guidelines and safety protocol, including, but not limited to, social distancing, wearing facial coverings and other appropriate PPE, and performing additional cleanings of frequently touched surfaces.

Mr. Ellmann reported that the Park District reopened the Recreation Center to appointments only. The walking track and locker rooms remain closed. The Park District has brought back a few part time employees, but is still operating with minimal staffing. In addition, the Park District partnered with the School District to offer childcare services. Participation has been relatively low, but

there may be more need as the pandemic goes on. Mr. Ellmann reported that TopGolf is now called the Golf Center, and work on the infield is scheduled to start soon. The Park District is working on rebranding the Golf Center.

B. Update on White Oaks Park Project

Mr. Appler reported that a public Zoom meeting is scheduled for September 10 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the White Oaks Park Project. The meeting is being held to educate residents and provide them with an opportunity to ask questions. The meeting will include a discussion of the wetland mitigation plan and subsequent removal of buckthorn and other greenscreen plants that are negatively affecting the health of the wetlands.

C. Update on Park District Property

There was no update on this item.

D. Update on Joint Special Events

Ms. Buggy reported that the annual Tree Lighting will be a smaller event this year. The tree will be lit by the Council and streamed across several platforms so the public can view it from their homes. Children will also be invited to participate from home and create ornaments that will be hung on the tree. Staff is also working on plans for a visit from Santa; more details will be forthcoming.

E. Future Items

Ms. Buggy inquired whether the Committee would prefer to meet via Zoom or in person going forward. The Committee members indicated they were comfortable meeting in person at this time.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Other Items

1. Next Meeting – October 14, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee is October 14, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Sbertoli to adjourn the meeting. Second by Alderman Jakab. Motion carried. Mayor Pulice adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Minutes taken by Kate Buggy, Management Analyst