WESTCHESTER PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 8, 2023, at 7:30 P.M.

Mayfair Recreation and Banquet Center
10835 Mayfair Avenue, Westchester, Cook County, Illinois

Call to Order:

President Busa called the meeting to order at 7:43 pm.

Roll Call

Commissioner Derek Gordon – here; Commissioner Daniel Maldonado- here; Commissioner Joseph Christopher – here; President Steven Busa – here

Also present were: Interim Executive Director Lianne Robinette; Board Secretary Laura Ball; Attorney Vlado Vranjes

Pledge of Allegiance

Correspondence to the Board

The election certificate was received from the county.

Public Comments

Mrs. Gary Kasanders spoke to the Board. Her four children were with her. She stated how proud her late husband, former Executive Director Gary Kasanders, was of the things her brought to the city of Westchester including the Veterans Day 5K and the Moving Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall. She presented the Board with a picture that was hung in Gary's office with pride as a reminder to him that every decision he made was with the respect of the residents in mind. Mrs. Kasanders would like to see this picture hung in the Board room for the same reason. There will also be a tree planted on behalf of the Kasanders family to show the pride he had in his staff in the Westchester Park District. President Busa accepted the picture and thanked the Kasanders family as well as the Board and the staff of the Westchester Park District for all their work. The picture will be placed in the Board room as a remembrance of former Executive Director Gary Kasanders.

Meeting Minutes

Are there any questions, corrections, additions, or comments regarding the Committee Meeting Minutes of April 10, the Board Meeting Minutes of April 10, the Executive Session Meeting Minutes of April 10, the Special Board Meeting Minutes of April 20, and the Executive Session Meeting Minutes of April 20? There were none.

Finance

Commissioner Christopher asked if there were any questions or comments on the expense vouchers for the month of April 2023 in the amount of \$265,948.81 or the Financial Statements for the month ending April 30, 2023. There were none.

Building & Grounds Committee

Commissioner Gordon asked if there were any additional questions regarding the report. There were none.

Community Center Committee

Commissioner Maldonado asked if there were any additional questions in regard to the report.

Commissioner Gordon thanked Interim Executive Director Lianne Robinette for the Adopt-A-Park idea.

Mayfair Recreation and Banquet Center Committee

Commissioner Gordon asked if there were any additional questions. There were none.

Policy Committee

President Busa spoke on the establishing of a Local Government Efficiency Committee. This is something that is required by State Law. Please forward any ideas to Board Secretary Laura Ball.

President Busa stated there will be a vote on a Resolution to allow the President to move Board Meetings. There is no additional discussion on this, and it will be voted on at the Board Meeting.

Director's Report

Interim Executive Director Lianne Robinette stated the Park District is waiting on the money from the state for the OSLAD Grant. The Park District will go out to bid this summer. The Memorial Day service will be on May 29th at 10am. The pool will be filled in this week or the next. Training will begin for lifeguards on May 18th. New pool chairs will arrive by the 4th of July. The Tournament of Champions will be from May 18 to May 21. Still looking for scorekeepers. Summer concert series will be out at the end of the month. Four pickle ball courts will be put in the 2 tennis courts at Mayfair. February 3 Westchester Park District will host the Souperbowl fund raiser for the Westchester Food Pantry. There will be drop in gaming for third through eigth grade at Mayfair. There are also some part-time employment opportunities listed on the website.

Attorney's Report

No report.

President Report

President Busa state he met with Village President Greg Hribal and Interim Director Lianne Robinette to discuss future events for Westchester. President Busa stated he would like to keep the lines of communication open with the Village.

Old Business

Nothing to report.

New Business

Commissioner Christopher congratulated President Busa for his 40 years serving the Village of Westchester as a Park District Commissioner and presented President Busa with an award and certificate of appreciation. Commissioner Gordon also thanked President Busa for his years of service and presented President Busa with a map showing all the National Parks. President Busa thanked everyone for their support and thanked former Park District Commissioners Tom Stanger and Nick Cooney for their support.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the Committee Meeting was made by Commissioner Maldonado and seconded by Commissioner Christopher.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Commissioner Gordon – aye; Commissioner Maldonado – aye; Commissioner Busa – aye; President Busa – aye MOTION PASSED.

Laura Ball, Board Secretary

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm.

Steven M. Busa, Board President

Date: _______