## Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners Of the Zion Park District, Lake County, Illinois Held at the Leisure Center in said District at 7:00pm On the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. Commissioners Rivers, Magiera, and President Hartmann were present. Also present for the meeting were: Executive Director Bradley, Superintendent of Recreation Petersen, Superintendent of Parks Chirchirillo, Community Relations Manager Wertman and Accounting Manager Taylor and Accounting Specialist Heraz.

Guests included Aaron Gold from Speer Financial that participated via phone.

Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Rivers, made a motion to approve the minutes as presented of the Regular meeting held on October 19, 2023 and the minutes of the Personnel and Finance Sub-committee meeting also held on October 19, 2023.

Upon a voice vote, Commissioners Rivers, Magiera and Hartmann voted aye. President Hartmann declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Pye, made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Upon a voice vote, Commissioners Rivers, Magiera and Hartmann voted aye. President Hartmann declared the motion carried.

There were no reports from the District's attorneys.

President Hartmann commented on a great Trail of Treats event and summer programs by the Park District staff. Commissioner Rivers commented she had a very nice time representing the Park District at the Coalition Spelling Bee with Cheri Neal, Zion township supervisor.

The District's finances were presented by Executive Director Bradley during the Personnel and Finance sub-committee meeting that was held immediately prior to the board meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Rivers, to approve the month's expenditures, as listed, in the amount of \$387,059.29 for the month of October 2023. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Rivers, Magiera, and President Hartmann voted aye. President Hartmann declared the motion carried.

A written report that highlighted the month's activities was submitted to the Board prior to the meeting by Executive Director Bradley. Announced the Senior Holiday luncheon on December 13 at Shiloh Center from 10-noon. Please let him know what board members will be attending the luncheon so we can plan accordingly. Highlighted the taxing Body Leaders Community event on Oct. 25. We had a good turn out and covered many topics from different agencies in

Zion at the event. The Trail of Treats was very successful we had the highest number of vendors attend the event. Lots of positive response on social media that I have included in my board report. Executive Bradley made the Board aware of the outcome of the application submitted by City of Hope Hospital (MRMC) to Lake County requesting approval of property tax exemption for their various properties in Zion. The meeting took place on November 18, the meeting was also done via Zoom. There was representation from the Zion area at the meeting and on Zoom. There were lots of comments from various entity from Zion and the application was denied from the Lake County Board. The next step is for them to go to the IL. Dept. of Revenue in Springfield. No date has been set for this. We will continue to work with the taxing body group and our state legislators on this as we move forward in the processes.

## New Business:

A presentation was made by Aron Gold from Speer financial, Inc. to issue approximately \$660,085 Taxable General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds for a net interest of 5.33%. A motion was made by Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Rivers to approve Ordinance #907 for \$659,085 Taxable General Obligation Limited Tax Bond for a net interest at 5.35%. As allowed by the District's investment policy and state statute; the District's General Fund will be the purchaser of the bonds.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Rivers, Magiera and Hartmann voted aye. President Hartman declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rivers and seconded by Commissioner Magiera to approve the Shiloh Park base bid and all four alternates in the amount of \$1,469,656 to Landworks. These projects will be funded by the OSLAD grant through the State of Illinois for the courts and amenities and the DCEO grant for the Shiloh Park playground.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Rivers, Magiera and Hartmann voted aye. President Hartman declared the motion carried.

Motion to approve ordinance #906 for the FY24-25 Tax Levy by Commissioner Magiera and seconded by Commissioner Rivers.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Magiera, Rivers and Hartmann voted aye. President Hartmann declared the motion carried.

Motion was made to accept the lease option agreement with Cenergy Power a solar field on the Kedron landfill property by Commissioner Magiera and seconded by Commissioner Rivers. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Magiera, Rivers and Hartmann voted aye. President Hartmann declared the motion carried.

A motion was made to accept Hitchcock Design proposal for services for David Park renovations in the amount of \$195,700 by Commissioner Magiera and seconded by Commissioner Rivers. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Magiera, Rivers and Hartmann voted aye. President Hartmann declared the motion carried. A motion to approve the purchase of David Park playground equipment from Burke for the total of \$114,851 through the Sourcewell Intergovernmental Purchasing Cooperative as authorized by the Illinois Governmental Joint Purchasing Act by Commissioner Rivers and seconded by Commissioner Magiera.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Magiera, Rivers and Hartmann voted aye. President Hartmann declared the motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Magiera, seconded by Commissioner Rivers. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Magiera, Rivers and President Hartmann voted aye. President Hartmann declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm

Kay Petersen Assistant Secretary