Commission Meeting Minutes

**Attending:** Dorothy Milne, Secretary; Al Goldberg, Treasurer; Wally Andersen, Vice President; Chris Johnson, Chairperson; Carolina Juarez; RPBA staff; Sandi Price, RPBA Staff

**Absent:** Irene Bermudez, Commissioner

1. **Welcome**
   
   Meeting began at 9:15 a.m.

2. **Community and Public Input**
   
   None

3. **2017 May Minutes**
   
   Commission reviewed 2017 May Minutes. No changes, corrections nor additional information were requested. Motion to approve 2017 May Minutes (Milne /Andersen). Unanimously approved.

4. **2017 May Financials**
   
   Commission reviewed 2017 May Financials. There was a question about Liability/Property Insurance, Carolina will explain once this is cleared by accountant.

5. **Line of Credit Changes**
   
   Sandi explained that RPBA will no longer have a line of credit with another institution, instead they will be the entity providing credit when needed, with interest charged according to federal regulations.

6. **2018 Budget/Workplan Approval**
   
   Commission reviewed the budget/workplan draft. Carolina explained that she will increase tax rate. Commission requested that the additional funds from raising tax rate should go to Holiday Decorations, Façade Improvement Program and Landscaping. Motion to approve 2018 Budget / Workplan with increase to tax rate cap and additional funds allotted to Holiday Decorations, Façade Improvement Program and Landscaping (Andersen/ Goldberg). Unanimously approved.

7. **2018 Sole Service Provider**
   
   Motion to approve that Rogers Park Business Alliance act as sole service provider for SSA #24 during the year 2018 (Andersen/Milne). Unanimously approved.

8. **Manager’s Updates:**
   
   - Clark Street Revitalization
   - Gassman Development proposals
   - Special Events Update
     - GSM
     - Taste of Clark Street
     - GAAF Shifts
     - Touhy Park Advisory Council
   - Street Vendors- Carolina should communicate with vendors and business owners about the law.
   - Best of Rogers Park Awards
• Strategic Planning proposal for SSA #24- Commission would like to wait until after the Vision Clark Street plan is complete before proceeding with strategic planning session.
• New Businesses: Creative Arts Factory of Evanston in Rogers Park, Chuckie’s, Zumba, Martial Arts, Floral Paradise, Empirical Brew Pub

9. Old Business
• None

10. New Business
• None

Meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m. (Milne / Andersen)

NEXT MEETING is September 6, 2017 at 9 a.m.