## **RESOLUTION NO. <u>06</u>-2017**

## A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AND NAMING THE PLAYGROUND LOCATED AT 4228 S. OAK PARK AVENUE "O'REILLY PARK" FOR THE VILLAGE OF STICKNEY, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS

- WHEREAS, the Village of Stickney (the "Village") is a home rule municipal corporation in accordance with Article VII, Section 6(a) of the Constitution of the State of Illinois of 1970; and
- **WHEREAS**, as a home rule unit of local government the Village may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and
- WHEREAS, Daniel A. O'Reilly served at the Village of Stickney President from May 2009 until April 2013; and
- WHEREAS, after his election, President O'Reilly started thinking in terms of updating our parks; and
- WHEREAS, improvements were made to the land next to the Stickney Public Work's garage to allow the Village to accommodate large affairs such as Family Day; and
- **WHEREAS**, during this same time a grant was applied for to create a bike path connecting to Morton College; and
- **WHEREAS,** plans were set in motion when playground specialist, John Vann, was secured to help with writing grants and planning and updating of the playground located on Oak Park Avenue; and
- **WHEREAS,** in August, 2010 a Park and Recreational Construction (PARC) grant application was filed with the State of Illinois Department of Natural Resources; and
- **WHEREAS,** a special meeting was held on November 3, 2010 to introduce John Vann to the public and to provide information on the grant application; and
- **WHEREAS**, on November 16, 2010 Resolution 10-2010 was passed seeking a resolution to finance the redevelopment of the playground; and
- **WHEREAS**, on June 25, 2012 special hearings were held to discuss the need to reissue the grant for the playground due to redefining the age limit to be less specific; and
- **WHEREAS**, in August 2012 a special hearing was held to discuss the Master Plan for the playground; and
- **WHEREAS**, testimony was given in Springfield to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources by President O'Reilly and John Vann; and
- WHEREAS, President O'Reilly was notified in April 2013 that the grant was approved; and

**WHEREAS**, grant funds in the amount of \$120,246.57 were received;

WHEREAS, by June, 2015 the new park was up and running; and

**WHEREAS**, in connection therewith, the Corporate Authorities have determined that it is advisable and in the best interests of the Village to designate and name the playground located at 4228 Oak Park Avenue, "O'Reilly Park", to provide a lasting reminder to Daniel O'Reilly's dedication in updating and fulfilling a wonderful enjoyment zone for the youth of the Village of Stickney;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF STICKNEY, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1: RECITALS.** The facts and statements contained in the preamble to this Resolution are found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted as part of this Resolution.

**SECTION 2: PURPOSE.** The purpose of this Resolution is to designate and name the Village playground located at 4228 Oak Park Avenue as the "O'Reilly Park" and to authorize the Village officials and staff are hereby directed to take such action as is necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution including, without limitation, the erection of signage to so designate the property.

**SECTION 3: AUTHORIZATION.** The Board hereby authorizes and directs the President or his or her designee to execute this Resolution, and ratifies any and all previous action taken to effectuate the intent of this Resolution. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest to and countersign this Resolution and any other documentation as may be necessary to carry out and effectuate the purpose of this Resolution. The Village Clerk is also authorized and directed to affix the Seal of the Village to such documentation as is deemed necessary. The officers, agents and/or employees of the Village shall take all action necessary or reasonably required by the Village to carry out, give effect to and consummate the purpose of this Resolution and shall take all action necessary in conformity therewith.

**SECTION 4. HEADINGS.** The headings of the articles, sections, paragraphs and subparagraphs of this Resolution are inserted solely for the convenience of reference and form no substantive part of this Resolution nor should they be used in any interpretation or construction of any substantive provision of this Resolution.

**SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.** The provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared to be severable and should any provision of this Resolution be determined to be in conflict with any law, statute or regulation by a court of competent jurisdiction, said provision shall be excluded and deemed inoperative, unenforceable and as though not provided for herein and all other provisions shall remain unaffected, unimpaired, valid and in full force and effect.

**SECTION 6. SUPERSEDER.** All code provisions, ordinances, resolutions, rules and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby superseded.

**SECTION 7. PUBLICATION.** A full, true and complete copy of this Resolution shall be published in pamphlet form or in a newspaper published and of general circulation within the Village as provided by the Illinois Municipal Code, as amended.

**SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall be effective and in full force immediately upon passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED this 7 <sup>th</sup> day of March 2017.
AYES: Trustee Fuentes, Hrejsa, Milenkovic, Rivadeneira, Savopoulos and White
NAYS: none
ABSENT: none
ABSTENTION: none
APPROVED by me this 8th day of March, 2017.
Deborah Morelli, President
ATTESTED AND FILED in my office this 8 <sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.
Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk