



## Elk Grove Park District Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

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January 24, 2019

5:30 p.m.

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President Walz called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

In attendance: President Walz, Commissioner Biedke, Commissioner Cooke,  
Commissioner O'Malley, Commissioner Souder

Staff: Tom Busby, Ben Curcio, Tammy Miller, Brad Sholes, Tom Klaas and  
Jeremy Duncan

### **DISCUSSION ON TRAVEL SOFTBALL INQUIRY**

Director Busby stated that a resident sent an e-mail asking for the District to assess if there was an interest in the community for the possible creation of a girls softball program that is similar to the boys travel baseball with limited travel and more moderate fees than a private travel league. President Walz thinks this resident should talk with RJ, the house softball president. Director Miller replied that the resident is requesting this program be separate from the house softball program and with their own advisory board. Director Busby stated the resident should first contact RJ to see if they can work together. Director Miller will respond to the resident to tell him the first step is to reach out to RJ, and maybe RJ can send out a survey to see if there is a demand for this new team. Commissioner O'Malley disagreed stating that RJ is not running our program therefore staff should be responsible for conducting the survey. Director Miller will share this request with softball but let them know staff will handle the survey.

### **UPDATE ON ATHLETIC GROUPS**

Twenty-nine people attended the athletic board training on Thursday night and another fifteen on Saturday. These meetings were also videotaped for those who could not attend. The Athletic Program advisory board members will hopefully be appointed at the February 14, 2019 Board Meeting.

Commissioner Souder would like to schedule a post-training meeting to further discuss concerns such as compensation and sales tax. The date of this meeting has not been scheduled yet.

### **GOLF MAINTENANCE FACILITY PRESENTATION**

Executive Director Busby shared a power point of the five designs that Williams Architect put together for the new maintenance facility. The Commissioners and staff reviewed what each design offered, and the cost of each. There was discussion on whether or not the District should be in the banquet business. Director Busby suggested instead of a banquet room, have a clubhouse with golf simulators and a small area for golf outings.

The consensus was to eliminate option C and work with Williams to design option B a little different to bring the cost down. President Walz also wants Williams to come up with visuals of a three-season room.

## **DISCUSSION ON GARDEN TERRACE**

Executive Director Busby stated that due to recent conversations with the Commissioners regarding whether the District should stay in the banquet business, which in his opinion does not fall in our mission statement, staff members were instructed to not book any banquets at Garden Terrace for 2020. Director Busby had a brainstorming session with staff for ideas of what the Garden Terrace could be used for it was no longer operated as a banquet room. Some suggestions included moving the senior center there, E-Sport (virtual reality room), multi-purpose room, ninja course, yoga/wellness, and keep the room as is and use it as an event room. Director Busby asked to Board to decide tonight if we should extend the ability to book dates in 2020 because there have been a number of requests already. He recommended waiting until the master plan is completed to see what may be in store for the Chelmsford property and Fox Run. The consensus of the Board was to allow bookings for events at Garden Terrace through 2020.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Director Miller stated there was an altercation between two teams in our high school basketball league. Both teams were suspended for two months per verbiage in the league rules and in ordinance 284. In the ordinance, it states that an appeal can be brought to the Board. Both teams made that request today. Director Miller and Brian O'Malley both recommend upholding the suspension. The hearing with the Park Board must occur within 10 days of this request. Commissioner O'Malley stated he would like time to review the information regarding this incident.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner O'Malley moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Commissioner Cooke seconded the motion.

Ayes: Commissioners Biedke, Cooke, Souder, O'Malley and President Walz

Nays: None

Motion Carried