

Elk Grove Park District Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2024 6:00 p.m.

President Walz called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

In attendance: President Walz, Commissioner Carlson, Commissioner O'Malley,

Commissioner Cooke

Absent: Commissioner Biedke

Staff: Ben Curcio, Kelly Carbon, Tiffany Greene, Brad Sholes, Mark Kosbab

DISCUSSION ON COMED LEASE AT UDALL PARK

Executive Director Curcio stated that the ComEd lease at Udall Park is set to be finalized. The lease is for a 10 year term. The consensus from the Board is to move forward with the agreement.

DISCUSSION ON IAPD DUES

Executive Director Curcio noted that the IAPD dues are up for their annual renewal. IAPD provides a number of services for the District as well as providing information on proposed and approved bills, grants and educational seminars. The consensus from the Board is to recommend renewal.

DISCUSSION ON RAMAKER SERVICES FOR MASTER PLAN AT RAINBOW FALLS

Director Kosbab opened the discussion by stating that the goal is to create a master plan for Rainbow Falls - specifically targeting the Fun House and Toilet Bowl slide area for renovation. Ramaker has developed concepts for water parks in the midwest area. \$30,000 was budgeted, but this initial agreement is not to not exceed \$15,000. Commissioner Cooke would like to attend the meetings with Ramaker and is interested in having an adult/leisure swim area installed on the property. Changing the entrance to Rainbow Falls may not be feasible due to road closures to the Lions parking lot during summer events. Commissioner O'Malley noted that soil testing will be needed and might dictate what can be done in the area. Executive Director Curcio reminded the Board that the company is being used for conceptual purposes only at this time.

DISCUSSION ON COMMUNITY WIDE SURVEY

Director Carbon began the discussion by pointing out that while it took some time to receive all of the responses needed for the survey, the results were similar between the random and the opt-in portions. The final report is available on the website. Respondents were highly satisfied with the district, appreciated the district for asking for their opinions, liked receiving a printed copy of the program guide, and gave high marks for staff engagement and leadership. Another

statistic of note is that 31% of respondents have visited Fox Run Golf Course in the last 2 years. Executive Director Curcio followed the summary by stating that the district does well on replacing structures or making changes before said items ever affect the customer.

OLD BUSINESS

President Walz opened the discussion by asking if there was a way to curtail children from being in the therapy pool. Director Greene responded that the pool is open to the public and that one lane is dedicated to walking.

The mats at the Fox Run simulators are worn and staff are looking into a solution for not only replacing the mats but possibly installing a net system to catch errant golf balls. The lifespan of the simulators and how/when to replace them are also going to be investigated by staff.

Commissioner O'Malley asked staff to confirm if Travel Baseball made a donation/contribution marker.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.