



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

A Regular scheduled meeting of the Elk Grove Park District, Cook County, State of Illinois was held on June 12, 2025 in the Administration Building of said Park District. President O'Malley called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and upon the roll being called, President O'Malley, being physically present at such time and place and the following Park Commissioners, also being physically present at said time and place, answered present:

William B. O'Malley, President and Commissioner
Thomas E. Cooke, Vice President, and Commissioner
Scott Carlson, Secretary, and Commissioner
Robert Biedke, Treasurer, and Commissioner
John Walz, Commissioner

Administrative Staff:

Ben Curcio, Executive Director
Brad Sholes, Director of Business Services
Mark Kosbab, Director of Parks and Planning
Kelly Carbon, Director of Marketing and Communications
Tiffany Greene, Director of Leisure Services

Visitors:

Allan Crites, Resident
Dan DiMaria, Resident
Tim Burns, Resident

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President O'Malley questioned if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the May 22, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting and the May 22, 2025 Regular Meeting.

There being none, the minutes were approved by a voice vote 5-0.

RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Commissioner Biedke explained that he along with Commissioner Carlson serve on the Youth Committee. Every year the Youth Committee and the Elk Grove Parks Foundation award scholarships to seniors in high school who are Elk Grove Village residents. The committee reviews applications, looking for how students have given back to the community and volunteered their time. This year the Village awarded four (4) scholarships and the Elk Grove Parks Foundation will award three (3).

Scott Saxe, President of the Elk Grove Parks Foundation introduced the following scholarship recipients:

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- Archit Tamhane - Archit is involved with martial arts. He volunteered at GiGi's Playhouse and taught Digital Literacy classes at Encore Village. Archit will be attending Harvard in the Fall. He thanked the community and the Foundation for their support.
- Jimmy Cirbo - Jimmy recently graduated from Conant High School. He was involved with soccer and mentored young students in the community. Jimmy is grateful for the award and will be attending Lake Forest College .
- Nathan Hahn - Nathan also recently graduated from Conant High School. He and his family regularly adopted families for Christmas and helped student refugees in the surrounding communities. Nathan will be studying Accounting at DePaul.

Jim Kilty presented Nathan Hahn's scholarship. Nathan's scholarship was funded by the Cole Kilty Foundation through the Elk Grove Parks Foundation. Cole Kilty was a Senior at the Air Force Academy when he died unexpectedly. Cole was very active in the Elk Grove Park District's various sports programs. The Cole Kilty Foundation was formed to honor Cole's legacy. Thus far, the Cole Kilty Foundation has donated funds to the football program to help defray the costs of new helmets and for a putting green to be installed at Fountain Square Park. Last year the Cole Kilty Foundation donated \$15,000 to the Elk Grove Parks Foundation after their golf fundraiser. This year the Cole Kilty Foundation will split the funds raised at the golf tournament between the Elk Grove Parks Foundation and All Secure, a veteran run organization that offers support to military personnel suffering from PTSD. This year's expected donation to the Elk Grove Parks Foundation will be approximately \$12,000.

President O'Malley remarked how the community cares about Cole and the Kilty Family and rallies around them. Awarding the scholarship and giving back to the residents is one way to keep Cole's memory alive. Director Kosbab will keep the Board informed regarding the progress of the putting green so the Kilty Family can be involved in its grand opening.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Resident Burns stated he had been approached by a resident regarding a concern about ADA access to Marshall Park. Resident Burns explained that the municipal sidewalk does not directly connect to the sidewalks in the park.

President O'Malley will review the situation with Staff.

APPROVAL OF ATHLETICS ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Commissioner Cooke moved to approve that the following individuals be appointed to serve a two-year term as an advisory member to the following boards:

Elk Grove Youth Baseball Advisory Board:
Alan Schap
Paulo Figueroa
Elk Grove Youth Basketball Advisory Board:
Sarah Sundquist

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Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Commissioner Biedke	X		
Commissioner Carlson	X		
Commissioner Cooke	X		
Commissioner Walz	X		
President O'Malley	X		

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT REQUEST FROM PICKLE TILE FOR MARSHALL PARK PICKLEBALL PROJECT

Commissioner Carlson moved to approve the Payment Request from PickleTile, LLC of Austin, TX for the Marshall Park Pickleball Project in the amount of \$42,879.24.

Commissioner Cooke seconded the motion.

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Commissioner Carlson	X		
Commissioner Cooke	X		
Commissioner Walz	X		
Commissioner Biedke	X		
President O'Malley	X		

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT APPLICATION FROM EVANS & SON FOR MARSHALL PARK PICKLEBALL PROJECT

Commissioner Cooke moved to approve Payment Application #3 from Evans & Son, Inc. of West Chicago, IL for the Marshall Park Pickleball Project in the amount of \$100,492.73.

Commissioner Walz seconded the motion.

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Commissioner Cooke	X		
Commissioner Walz	X		
Commissioner Biedke	X		
Commissioner Carlson		X	
President O'Malley	X		

Motion carried.

LEISURE SERVICES UPDATE

Director Greene gave the following update:

- Sheila Ray Adult Center - Membership is at 336. In May, the Spring Bazaar generated a profit of \$1,135.50. There were 34 participants on the Holland Tulip trip, 19 on the Mitchell Park Domes trip, 34 attendees at the Murder Mystery event, 66 participants at the Time Warp Game Show Luncheon, and 30 at Senior Prom.
- Aquatics -There were 27 private lessons in May and 130 swim lesson participants. Aqua Wellness numbers were at 960 for the month.
- Athletics, Adult - The Spring Adult Pickleball League started on May 7th. The league is split into a Competitive League with 6 teams and a Recreation League with 9 teams. Adult Softball seasons are all up and running with 45 total teams.
- Cultural Arts - Spring lessons ended with 17 music students participating in the Spring Music Recital with a total of 50 guests in attendance.
- Dance - Pavilion Dance Centre held Dance Company auditions on May 16th for the 2025-2026 season.
- Early Childhood - On May 13th and 14th the Preschool held their End of Year Programs and 4's Graduations. Pirates' Cove Theme Park opened early for the annual Preschool Day on May 15th and hundreds of items were collected at the gate as admission and donated to the Elk Grove Food Pantry.
- Fitness Center Programs and Operations - Total Group Exercise Participants for May was 2,190. Personal Training was at 253 sessions for the month. Open Gym had 393 drop-ins. There were 40 Racquetball/Wallyball reservations for May. The Rejuvenation Area had 1,780 tracked uses for the month.
- Museum - A new exhibit, Pioneers in Medicine, opened at the Museum on May 17th.
- Pirates' Cove - The park had a strong opening weekend. There were 799 admissions sold within the four operational dates in May. There are currently 100 pass holders for the 2025 season.
- Rainbow Falls - Rainbow Falls had 111 total daily admissions on Monday of opening weekend. The waterpark was closed on Saturday and Sunday due to low air temperatures. Membership pass sales are currently at 223 for the season.
- Rentals - There were 161 rentals for the month of May compared to 109 in 2024.
- School Care Programs - In May, Kids Club had 1,972 registrations.
- Upcoming Events and Important Dates:
 - June 17 - 10 Days of Paradise: National Mascot Day at Rainbow Falls
 - June 18 - FREE Art @ the Park - Rock painting at Appleseed Park
 - June 20 - FREE Movie in the Park - Inside Out 2 at the Pavilion Field
 - June 21 - FREE Family Fishing Day at Johnson Park
 - June 23 - 10 Days of Paradise: Taylor Swift's Cruel Summer Day at Rainbow Falls
 - June 25 - FREE Art @ the Park - Flower pressing at Olmsted Park
 - June 29 - River Run 5K at Rainbow Falls, registration required
 - July 1 - 10 Days of Paradise: Dance Party Day at Rainbow Falls
 - July 2 - FREE Art @ the Park - Red, White and Blue at Jaycee Park
 - July 9 - 10 Days of Paradise: Flamingo Party Day at Rainbow Falls

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- July 9 - FREE Art @ the Park - Windmill at Roosevelt Park

President O'Malley cautioned Rainbow Falls customers to not use the Queen of the Rosary parking lot. Cars have already been towed from the lot. Parking is also not allowed on Cypress. Cars parked on Cypress will be ticketed. Additional parking for Rainbow Falls can be found on Lions Drive, Rotary Green, and at the high school.

PARKS AND PLANNING UPDATE

Director Kosbab gave the following report:

- A leak was discovered at the Rainbow Falls Leisure Pool. The source of the leak is in the supply line to the Dolphin Drop slide feature at the deep end of the pool. The leak has been isolated which also stopped the water flow to the feature. Staff is looking into repair options.
- At Marshall Park the asphalt has been completed. The pickle glass has been delivered. The asphalt needs 2 to 3 weeks to cure before color coating can begin July 1st. Contractors will work on the installation of the pickle glass in the interim. A representative from PickleTile will be on-site to help the contractor with installation.
- Udall Park Playground renovations have begun as of the week of June 2nd. The old equipment has been removed. Grounds Staff expect the project to take 8 weeks.
- The Roosevelt Park 2-5 Playground renovation will start next week.
- An on-line survey will be open for feedback regarding restoring Olmsted Park back to native plants. A walkway through the plantings along with informational signage are part of the anticipated project.
- The native plants at Marshall Park in the detention area still need time to fill in. Staff will add additional plants as needed. The area will look similar to the detention area at the Hattendorf Center.

BUSINESS SERVICES UPDATE

Director Sholes gave the following update:

- Dueling Pianos will return July 26th
- Thank you to all Staff who attended the recent PDU's.

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

Director Carbon shared the following information:

- Staff created all of the diplomas and programs for the Preschool graduations and the programs for the Dance Center recitals
- New signs were created for the concessions stands at Rainbow Falls and Pirates' Cove
- A sign was created directing customers to overflow parking for Pirates' Cove
- Website traffic is up
- MicroSoft is interested in sponsorships in 2026

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- Williams Architects donated \$1000 for Play, Picnic, Party
- Suburban Orthopedics will advertise on the back cover of the Fall Guide
- The Mobile Marketing Team attended Preschool Day at Pirates' Cove and handed out snack bags
- Eli has recently been added to the department as the summer intern.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Executive Director Curcio thanked Senator Murphy for coordinating a meeting with MWRD commissioners about the Fox Run streambank stabilization project, which could secure grant funding. He also thanked her for sponsoring a Capital Grant for the project, and Mayor Johnson and the Village for their continued support.

OLD BUSINESS

President O'Malley noted that the Elk Grove Park District was named the second best park district in the Daily Herald's Readers' Choice category. President O'Malley thanked Staff for their hard work and dedication.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Commissioner Cooke moved to authorize Executive Director Curcio to make payment of the bills in the amount of \$350,264.72 for May 23, 2025, \$197,724.89 for May 30, 2025 and \$73,542.95 for June 6, 2025.

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

ELK GROVE PARK DISTRICT			
SUMMARY LIST OF BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL ON JUNE 12, 2025			
<u>SUMMARY BY FUND:</u>	<u>5/23/2025</u>	<u>5/30/2025</u>	<u>6/6/2025</u>
CORPORATE FUND	\$ 80,714.98	\$ 69,967.79	\$ 27,685.09
AUDIT		\$ 2,610.00	\$ -
POLICE			
LIABILITY			
RECREATION FUND	\$ 23,580.29	\$ 68,268.00	\$ 13,848.44
PAVING & LIGHTING FUND			
MUSEUM FUND	\$ 17.44	\$ 1,765.10	\$ 149.76
SPECIAL RECREATION			
ASSOCIATIONS	\$ 28,481.46	\$ 2,436.79	\$ 23,846.79
BOND & INTEREST FUND			

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CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$ 177,867.78	\$ 27,896.43	\$ 3,219.72
FOX RUN GOLF LINKS FUND	\$ 39,602.77	\$ 24,780.78	\$ 4,793.15
	\$ 350,264.72	\$ 197,724.89	\$ 73,542.95

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Commissioner Walz	X		
Commissioner Biedke	X		
Commissioner Carlson	X		
Commissioner Cooke	X		
President O'Malley	X		

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Carlson moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting of June 12 , 2025.

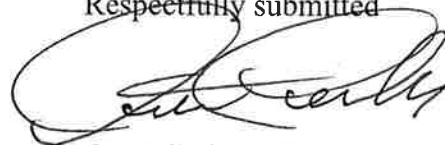
Commissioner Cooke seconded the motion.

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Commissioner Biedke	X		
Commissioner Carlson	X		
Commissioner Cooke	X		
Commissioner Walz	X		
President O'Malley	X		

Motion carried.

The Regular Meeting of June 12, 2025 was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Scott Carlson, Secretary