

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

A Regular scheduled meeting of the Elk Grove Park District, Cook County, State of Illinois was held on August 24, 2023 in the Administration Building of said Park District. President Walz called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and upon the roll being called, President Walz, being physically present at such time and place and the following Park Commissioners, also being physically present at said time and place, answered present:

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

Jeff Snyder, Resident Tina Kaveney, Resident

#### Special Guests:

Jessica Bierch and the Ignite Dance Company Tristan Fissette, Digital Marketing Specialist

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Walz questioned if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the August 10, 2023 Regular Meeting.

There being none, the minutes were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

#### **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

Jeff Snyder, a resident since 1968, suggested that the Park District install a perimeter bike trail at Johnson Park. Mr. Snyder also expressed concerns about comments left on his Elk Grove Facebook page.

#### **RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

Jessica Beirich, Dance Supervisor, introduced the Ignite Dance Company. Over the summer the Junior division won the National Championship in their category. The Company has 24 dancers

split between Junior and Senior levels. Altogether the group performed in twenty-two dances at the competition and placed nine of them at the national level. President Walz stated that it is amazing to win a national title and thanked the parents for their support. Commissioner O'Malley told the group that dance is a passion that will follow them for a lifetime.

Ali Geary, Marketing and Communications Manager then introduced Tristan Fissette as the new Digital Marketing Specialist. Tristan has previously been a manager at Pirates' Cove and recently graduated Illinois College. He attended college on an Esports scholarship and is glad to be here. Commissioner Walz suggested that the Park District might be able to expand into Esports tournaments now that we have someone with a background in it. Director Curcio stated that there's a way to do it by hiring a company to come in and run it.

# APPROVAL OF PAY REQUEST FROM UPLAND DESIGN, LTD.

Commissioner O'Malley moved to approve a pay request from Upland Design, Ltd. dated 8/10/2023 for professional services of the Marshall Park redevelopment project for a total of \$6,455.57.

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	Abstain
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Motion carried.

# APPROVAL OF PAYMENT APPLICATION FROM MASTER PROJECT, INC

Commissioner Biedke moved to approve payment application #2 from Master Project, Inc. for the 140 Lively Roof Renovation in the amount of \$110,653.00.

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

# **CAPITAL PROJECTS**

Commissioner Cooke stated that while they did not have a meeting, he did have the following to report:

- ➤ Marshall Park project has begun
- ➤ Windemere is scheduled to begin in September. Signage has been installed showcasing the renovations.
- ➤ The Mather Park sign is awaiting ComEd to install the electric
- ➤ Ceiling tiles are going to be replaced in the Fitness Center.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Commissioner Carlson gave the following report:

#### Corporate Fund

- > \$262,277 in Personal Property Replacement Tax collected in July.
- ➤ All expense categories are at or under budget except unemployment insurance.
- > YTD of \$1,835,840 compared to a budget of \$1,869,075.

#### Recreation Fund

- ➤ Fees & Admissions \$1,543,698 compared to a budget of \$1,317,566.
- ➤ Program fees were \$1,530,732 compared to a budget of \$1,567,256.
- > All expense categories at or under budget.
- ➤ YTD of \$527,437 compared to a budget of \$292,331.

#### Golf Fund

- > 6,612 rounds played in July.
- > Fees & Admissions \$899,042 compared to a budget of \$725,676.
- ➤ All expense categories are at or under budget YTD.
- > Driving Range YTD of \$92,030 compared to a budget of \$52,907.
- ➤ YTD of \$501,382 compared to a budget of \$112,387.

# **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

President Walz shared topics discussed at tonight's Committee of the Whole meeting which include:

- > Fitness Center fees for Village employees and veterans
- > NWSRA annual assessment

#### ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

➤ Travel Baseball tryouts were held in July, and there will be seven total teams, no 10U team and two 13U teams.

- There are 114 girls signed up for Softball's Fall Ball Season. 12U and 14U will play inter-village, and 8U and 10U will play in-house.
- Fall Baseball has 185 players registered which is 30 more than 2022, and all levels will play in the CSYBL inter-village league. This season Baseball added a Pee Wee program for PreK-Kindergarten and a Colt program for grades 9-10. There are 4 Pee Wee teams, 3 Mustang teams, 3 Bronco teams, 4 Pony teams, and 2 Colt teams.
- Tackle Football began conditioning on July 17, and registration is at 89 tackle players compared to 78 in 2022. Tackle Football will now be playing in the TCYFL. Flag football started practice on July 31 with 20 athletes. Cheerleading kicked off in July with 22 for Sideline Cheer and 49 for Competition Cheer compared to 2022 with 13 Sideline cheerleaders and 44 Competition cheerleaders.
- ➤ Travel Soccer teams are set for the Fall 2023/Spring 2024 seasons and practices start August 21.

#### **GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE**

Commissioner O'Malley said the golf committee will be meeting around September 19th and asked Director Sholes to confirm with Fox Run staff.

Nine & Stein had an expanded field of 140 participants. July may be the best month ever for both the golf course and the driving range. Commissioner O'Malley congratulated staff on how well the facilities are functioning. Events for the football season will need to be discussed in order to bring in more patrons during the off-season. President Walz noted that one of the high school teams used the simulators for additional practice.

#### **YOUTH COMMITTEE**

Commissioner Biedke wanted to thank staff member Irene Faciano for being proactive and canceling the Splash Party well in advance of a severe storm going through the area. The August Splash Party had a great turnout of 277 teens and he thanked the lifeguards for doing a wonderful job that evening.

#### ADULT CENTER COMMITTEE

President Cooke reported that the Sheila Ray Advisory Committee met on August 15th. Donations are being accepted for the Rummage Sale that will be held September 8th and 9th. The Center will be in the Hometown Parade on September 16th. They have 4 new members.

#### **PAVILION COMMITTEE**

Commissioner O'Malley gave the following report:

- ➤ A date for the next meeting has not been finalized yet.
- > Aquatics has a new full-time employee.
- ➤ The Pavilion pool will be opening on Saturday, August 26th.
- > ADA panel replacement project for the front of the Pavilion has been delayed.

- The Rejuvenation Area in the Fitness Center has been a real success. Beginning September 1st members will need an All Access membership or a 10 scan pass to use the area.
- ➤ Hammer strength machines have been installed in the Fitness Center.
- ➤ Watch for the email blasts for upcoming events such as the Rummage Sale, the campouts at Pirates' Cove and the Parents' Night Out events.
- The cardio project for the Fitness Center has been delayed until 2024.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Commissioner O'Malley requested that the Marketing Department prepare a full-page spread for the upcoming brochure highlighting the events at Fox Run.

### **ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-03**

Commissioner Biedke moved to adopt Resolution 23-03:

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE RECOMMENDED ASSESSMENTS BY THE NORTHWEST SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024

Amended to include the assessments amount of \$320,854.81

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion as amended.

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

Motion carried.

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Commissioner O'Malley moved to authorize Director Curcio to make payment of the bills in the amount of \$87,317.72 for August 11, 2023, \$163,077.03 for August 11, 2023 P-Cards, and \$152,701,67 for August 18, 2023.

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

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SUMMARY LIST OF BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL ON AUGUST 24, 20			
SUMMARY BY FUND:	<u>8/11/2023</u>	8/11/2023	8/18/2023
		P-Cards	
CORPORATE FUND	\$ 7,748.69	\$ 30,352.98	\$ 24,706.49
AUDIT			
POLICE	\$ 1,883.76	\$ 5.57	\$ 1,520.00
LIABILITY			
RECREATION FUND	\$ 48,572.92	\$ 91,988.04	\$ 144,930.98
PAVING & LIGHTING FUND			
MUSEUM FUND	\$ 213.83	\$ 1,078.83	
SPECIAL RECREATION			
ASSOCIATIONS	\$ 4,519.00	\$ 15,019.15	\$ 6,493.54
BOND & INTEREST FUND			
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$ 19,523.43	\$ 13,580.11	\$ 48,193.31
FOX RUN GOLF LINKS FUND	\$ 4,856.10	\$ 11,052.35	\$ 26,857.35
	\$ 87,317,72	\$ 163,077.03	\$ 152,701.67

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

Motion carried.

# **ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION**

President Walz moved to adjourn to Closed Session for the purpose of conducting the semi-annual review of Closed Session Minutes per 2 (c)(21) and for the purpose of discussing Probable or Imminent Litigation per 2(c)(11).

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

#### RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

After discussion on reviewing the closed session minutes, real estate and litigation, President Walz moved to reconvene the meeting to Open Session at 8:10 p.m.

Commissioner O'Malley seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

# **RELEASE OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**

After the discussion regarding the semi-annual review of Closed Session Minutes per 2(c)(21), Commissioner Walz moved that the Park District Board find that the need for confidentiality no longer necessary, in order to protect the public interest or the privacy of an individual, to keep the closed session minutes confidential, and that same shall now be made public.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

President Walz began the discussion requesting more information about Resident comment at the Board Meeting. Director Curcio provided that no contact information was provided to the Board at this time.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Walz moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

The Regular Meeting of August 24, 2023 was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Scott Carlson, Secretary