



Elk Grove Park District Capital Projects Committee Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2023

5:30 p.m.

In attendance: Commissioner Cooke

Absent: Commissioner Biedke

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

2023 CAPITAL PROJECTS RECAP

Director Kosbab led by informing the committee that the basketball court has been installed and the walking path excavated at Marshall Park. The concrete is scheduled to pour next week weather permitting. Commissioner Cooke asked about the grant for Osborn Park. Director Kosbab explained the equipment for Osborn Park was purchased in 2022, providing the district with a discount for ordering it early. The Osborn Park project was completed back in the spring.

DISCUSSION ON 2024 CAPITAL PROJECTS

Commissioner Cooke stated that he would like Fox Run to be self-sufficient with regards to funding Capital projects now that the fund is performing well again even though it is a governmental fund. Director Sholes explained that the district's fund balance policy is three months, but would prefer the fund to maintain a 6 month operating expense balance, but additional funds above that level can be spent for projects. Budget numbers for 2024 are due in the coming week which will provide insight to the options available for funding projects at Fox Run.

Executive Director Curcio suggested the park district begin looking into modernizing the back half of the waterpark at Rainbow Falls. Both the funhouse and "toilet bowl" are original features and are over 30 years old. Commissioner Cooke suggested additional space for swimming. Director Curcio will reach out to the aquatic engineer with W-T Group for options that include a plunge pool as well as a splash area and slide.

Executive Director Curcio also suggested renovating 140 Lively to include more usable recreation space. The area may have to be rezoned.

Commissioner Cooke stated the next Capitals discussion for the Committee of the Whole meeting on October 26, 2023.