



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

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June 11, 2020

6:15 p.m.

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President O'Malley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Remote Attendance via Google Meets:  
Commissioner Cooke

Staff: Ben Curcio, Brad Sholes, Tim White, Kelly Carbon, Tiffany Greene

### **DISCUSSION ON TRAVEL SOCCER FIELD RENTAL RATES**

Executive Director Curcio updated the Board on a conversation he had with Travel Soccer Board President, Effie Cirbo. Director Curcio said that Effie told him she does not want to discuss this with her Advisory Board until the Park Board agrees on a discount rate. Director Curcio shared that Effie did not agree with 33% and would like either 50% or \$10,000 off each season. Commissioner Walz said he is hearing that Travel Soccer does not want to leave now. Director Greene confirmed that per Effie, they do not want to leave this year but said this discussion is for the 2021-2022 season. Commissioner Biedke stated he is not in favor of the 33% offer and feels insulted that it went from offering free fields if they maintained residency to a 33% discount. Commissioner Souder replied that any discount is a compromise since free fields are only for Elk Grove Park District programs. Commissioner Biedke stated that he spoke with Effie and she plans to uphold the residency policy even if they leave the Park District. Commissioner Walz asked how we can put a stipulation on the residency rule if they are not a part of the Park District. Director Curcio replied that we would make that a part of their agreement.

Director Greene said when Travel Softball left they were charged per hour, per field not a percentage discount. President O'Malley added that Softball used their fund balance for fields but Soccer wants to take their money. Commissioner Walz questioned if anyone knew if the Soccer Board is in agreement that if they leave the Park District, their Board would stay with the House program. President O'Malley stated in his opinion Travel would not need an advisory board.

Commissioner Souder asked if anyone was in favor of the 33% discount range. Commissioner Cooke responded that he was and also possibly a higher discount in the beginning to accommodate their transition but then reevaluate the discount after that. Commissioner Cooke added that he is not in favor of them walking away with the money. Commissioner Biedke said they are willing to work with the Board and he is pleased with Commissioner Cooke's suggestion of giving more of a discount to start.

## **FITNESS CENTER UPDATE**

President O'Malley questioned why we are not offering outdoor, and 1 on 1 fitness classes. Director Greene responded that Natsuko and Aileen are developing marketing for boot camps in June. Aileen also reached out to see if they were interested in doing 1 on 1 training and the consensus was that they wanted to wait. President O'Malley said he is hearing that some trainers are taking our clientele and doing their own classes out of their own house. Director Greene clarified that Aileen reached out to clients, not trainers. Commissioner Souder suggested going beyond those who had personal training classes on their account because others may also be interested.

## **PIRATES' COVE UPDATE**

Executive Director Curcio said the plan is to open the Pirates Cove on July 6; however, the state needs to inspect the rides. Director White added the Illinois Department of Labor, who performs our ride inspections, has been barred from travel during the pandemic. He is going to approach DCEO to ask to open in phase 3 and also find out if we can open with an inspection pending.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Director White shared that the Elk Grove Village Fire Department asked if they can use the Rainbow Falls Community Center while the Fire Station 7 gets renovated. They would use the facility from July 25 until the first week of November. Director White added we are working on an Intergovernmental Agreement with them.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Cooke moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Commissioner Souder seconded the motion.

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

Nays: None

**Motion Carried**