



Elk Grove Park District Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2022

6:00 p.m.

President Cooke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance: President Cooke, Commissioner Biedke, Commissioner Carlson,
Commissioner O'Malley

Absent: Commissioner Walz

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

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

President Cooke said he received a letter from OSHA outlining what the Park District needs to do regarding a lifeguard injury. Executive Director Curcio is handling the situation and will keep the Commissioners informed.

DISCUSSION ON PROPOSED FACILITY FEE INCREASES FOR 2023

Director Greene outlined the proposed fee increases for 2023. She said no decisions need to be made tonight, but by the October 17 winter brochure deadline. These are the areas that were discussed:

- Sheila Ray Adult Center - The annual fee would stay the same but a prorated fee will be added so new members can join between October and December for a three month prorated fee. The consensus of the Board was to add a prorated fee option.
- Audubon Skate Park - Proposed daily fee increase for the indoor skate park from \$2R/\$5/NR to \$4R/\$7NR to offset operational cost and staff wage increases. The consensus of the Board was to move forward with the daily fee increases.
- Jumps n Jiggles - Proposed change in fee structure to a fee of \$6 for both residents and non-residents. The plan is to add automated kiosks for Jumps n Jiggles so it would be difficult to determine a resident from a non-resident. The consensus of the Board was to increase the resident fee to be the same as non-resident for both daily admission and a 10 scan pass.
- Pirates Cove - Non-resident rates were increased in 2020 but it has been 10 years since resident rates increased. The proposal is to increase child resident rates from \$9 to \$10 and non-resident rates from \$13 to \$15. Staff is also proposing a season pass increase. The consensus of the Board was to increase fees for Pirates Cove.
- Rainbow Falls - Proposed fee increase of \$2 for both resident and non-resident daily admission to offset the high cost of chemicals, utilities and staffing. Staff is also proposing to increase the price for a season pass. Commissioner Carlson said he would not mind if the non-resident fee was increased even more, but suggested not increasing the season pass rate to encourage more passes being sold. After discussion, the consensus was to have staff do more research on how many resident vs non-resident passes are sold before making a decision.

- Pavilion Aquatics Center - Proposed fee increase of \$2 for both resident and non-resident daily admission. Additionally, staff is proposing to eliminate the Household of 2 option for a season pass. Commissioner O'Malley is good with any increase as he feels the pool is being subsidized by the District already. Commissioner Carlson inquired how many season passes are being sold for PAC. Director Greene will provide this information before the Board comes to a consensus.
- Fitness Center - Director Greene explained that currently the Fitness All Access membership includes everything, except yoga. Staff is proposing to change that so yoga would be included. Staff is also proposing a new membership called "Fitness Only" which would exclude Pavilion Aquatics (pools, steam room and whirlpool). Another proposed change is to combine current daily scan passes into one pass. There was no consensus on these changes to Fitness at this time.

DISCUSSION ON VILLAGE CONCERT SERIES

President Cooke said the Village contacted him and asked for an increase in the Park District's contribution for concerts. Currently the District contributes \$50,000. The Village is asking for an increase up to \$100,000, but no less than \$75,000. Commissioner O'Malley said he would be willing to increase the District's contribution because it is a form of recreation for the community, but feels it is not a full partnership because the District does not get to choose the bands or participate in Meet and Greets. He would like to know what we get out of the partnership. President Cooke will ask Mayor Johnson for more information but the consensus of the Board was to increase the District's contribution to \$75,000.

DISCUSSION ON SOUDER POINT

Commissioner O'Malley would like to show former Commissioner Souder the drawing of the proposed Souder Point sign but, in his opinion, he would like better verbiage to describe Commissioner Souder.

President Cooke asked for clarification on whether Souder Point would be a separate park from Morton Park. The consensus was to not split the park, but to designate Souder Point within Morton Park.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner O'Malley moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

Ayes: Commissioners Biedke, Carlson, O'Malley and President Cooke

Nays: None

Motion Carried