



Elk Grove Park District Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2022

6:00 p.m.

President Cooke called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

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

Absent: Commissioner Biedke

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

DISCUSSION ON EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

Director Sholes said he had new information to share on the proposed employee health insurance for 2023. Blue Cross Blue Shield offered a better rate than United Healthcare which would save the District as well as employees money. Director Sholes also said the coverage will be comparable to the current healthcare plan.

DISCUSSION ON WINDEMERE PARK

President Cooke said at the last meeting Commissioner Walz asked for consideration on increasing the budget for the Windemere Playground replacement. Commissioner Walz said that park is used by many other people than just the neighborhood because of the ball fields so he would like to see a bigger, better playground there. Commissioner Walz suggested looking into adding a parking lot there as well to help with the street parking. Executive Director Curcio replied that it would cost around \$10,000 per parking spot. Commissioner O'Malley said he is not in favor of a parking lot. Commissioner O'Malley instructed Director Curcio to have staff move forward with what they would like to see included in the new playground to give it a "wow factor".

DISCUSSION ON 2023 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Executive Director Curcio presented the proposed board meeting schedule for 2023. He suggested canceling the second meeting in January due to the IPRA Conference, and the first meeting in October due to the NRPA Conference. In addition, he proposed having one meeting in the months of June, July and August since those are busy months for staff. Commissioner O'Malley said the residents rely on there being two meetings a month so he was not in favor of only meeting once per month during the summer. He suggested moving up the start time so the meetings end earlier. President Cooke said doing so may make it hard for some of the commissioners to make the meeting at the earlier start time. The consensus was to cancel the second January and first October meeting, and only schedule only one meeting in July but keep two in June and August. The consensus was also to keep the meeting times the same as they have been.

OLD BUSINESS

Executive Director Curcio gave an update on the Administration Building flooding. The adjuster received quotes for the HVAC system replacement and ServePro finally got the approval for them to start the project next week. The consensus of the Board was to move forward with the agreement with official approval at the December Board Meeting.

Executive Director Curcio asked if the Commissioners wanted Director Kosbab to look into replacing the sign at Mather Park with an electronic one as suggested by Commissioner Biedke at the last meeting. Commissioner Walz said to ask staff if they thought there was a need for it. Director Curcio replied that Nerge Road is a thoroughfare for the industrial park so many people would pass it daily. Director Curcio will add this topic to the capitals meeting discussion.

President Cooke would like to add a closed session to the next board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner O'Malley asked what the hours were for Pickleball at the Pavilion. Director Greene replied it is during the regular open gym hours. She added that those hours have recently been updated so she will find out and let Commissioner O'Malley know.

Commissioner O'Malley said that recently, a resident inquired why Volleyball has a younger crowd playing during open gym hours. Director Greene said people were asking why it was offered to older people only, so the age requirement was removed. Commissioner O'Malley asked if the older crowd could pay to have a timeslot for their age group. Director Greene said she will ask Natsuko to give him options.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Walz moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 6:54 p.m.

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried