



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

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September 26, 2019

6:30 p.m.

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President Walz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

Absent: Commissioner Biedke

Staff: Ben Curcio, Tammy Miller, Brad Sholes, Tim White, Kelly Carbon, Jeff Collier

Guests: Tammy Haman, Bob Packheiser, Mary Kay McMahon

President Walz asked if there was any old business, seeing none he asked about new business. Commissioner O'Malley asked if there was any feedback on the new outdoor skate park. Director White said it was great. Commissioner Souder said it looks great. President Walz said he went there and met a group of 20 and 30 year olds. Their response was that the skate park was better than they ever thought it would be.

Commissioner Cooke asked Director White how the OSLAD Grant was coming along. Director White replied there were minor deficiencies, they need more numbers. Next week is cut week for the grants. The third week in October is when we make our pitch.

Commissioner O'Malley asked how the parade went. Executive Director Curcio said it was very good.

Commissioner O'Malley inquired about the custodial position at the Pavilion and wondered if the District was considering tweaking the position and questioned if it requires a full time position. Executive Director Curcio responded there haven't been interviews yet. The job was posted and is in the review process for interviews and the position will remain a full time position.

### **DISCUSSION WITH ARTIST ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBERS**

The guests from the Artists Association introduced themselves. Tammy Hamman is in charge of exhibits, Bob Packheiser is the treasurer and has been in the Association for 15 to 20 years. Mary Kay McMahon is the secretary. President Walz asked if they were Elk Grove Village residents. Tammy and Bob said yes, Mary Kay is from Mt. Prospect. Tammy said the Juried Art show reception is on Friday, October 4th, and viewing was open to the public on Saturday and Sunday. She passed out invitations to everyone present.

Commissioner O'Malley asked how old you had to be to join. Tammy said you need to be 18 years old. President Walz asked if there were any issues with membership. Tammy said yes, we always want new members. Bob said they have art shows at different venues. Commissioner O'Malley asked how do you attract new members? Did you ever consider using coloring books? Bob said yes, the Sheila Ray Center does coloring and painting. Bob said the new art teacher, Lorraine, is teaching simple paintings and that gets people interested. There are 50 plus people in the Artists Association. The yearly dues are due in June. The Juried Art Show application is due in August. Commissioner O'Malley asked if the artists differ in philosophy. Mary Kay said if you sell a piece of your work it is icing on the cake. Tammy said she went to an art demo and joined right away. Commissioner Souder said he has seen sculptures at previous shows. Tammy said there will be a sculpture at the next show. Commissioner O'Malley asked if people barter for the cost of the art work. Bob relayed a story of how he gave 3 paintings for the price of 2 at one time. Mary Kay explained that a piece of art was all the education, skill and time an artist puts into it. Tammy added there is an exhibit every 6 weeks at the Elk Grove Public Library. The library also does a Junior High Exhibit.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

President Walz moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Souder seconded the motion.

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

Nays: None

**Motion Carried**