

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

A Regular scheduled meeting of the Elk Grove Park District, Cook County, State of Illinois was held on July 28, 2022 in the Administration Building of said Park District. President Cooke called the meeting to order at 7:06p.m. and upon the roll being called, President Cooke, being physically present at such time and place and the following Park Commissioners, also being physically present at said time and place, answered present:

Thomas E. Cooke, President, and Commissioner Robert R. Biedke, Vice President, and Commissioner Scott Carlson, Secretary, and Commissioner John R. Walz, Treasurer, and Commissioner William B. O'Malley, Commissioner

Thomas G. Hoffman, Attorney

#### Administrative Staff:

Ben Curcio, Executive Director Brad Sholes, Director of Business Services Mark Kosbab, Director of Parks and Planning Tiffany Greene, Director of Leisure Services

Absent: Kelly Carbon, Director of Marketing and Communications

# Special Guests:

Danny Hughes, Fox Run Kitchen Manager

Visitors: Allan Crites, Resident

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

President Cooke questioned if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the July 14, 2022 Committee of the Whole and the July 14, 2022 Regular Meeting.

There being none, the minutes were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

#### SPECIAL GUEST

Director Sholes introduced Danny Hughes as the new Fox Run Kitchen Manager. Danny said that he comes to the District with over 23 years of culinary background. He plans to turn Fox Run into a family oriented sit down restaurant in the future with a full bar and grill, even when there is no golf going on. Danny revamped the menu and added a BBQ brisket sandwich, chicken portobello fresh mozzarella sandwich, and shrimp po' boy and cajun chicken po' boy. Commissioner O'Malley shared that one thing people were complaining about is the fact that there was not a quick \$5 menu option such as a hot dog or brat when they finished the first nine holes of golf. Danny replied that those items are on the menu and are being foiled wrapped to stay hot so golfers can grab them. Danny said he is also looking forward to opening the concession stand window in the future so the golfers will not have to come inside to get food.

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Commissioner O'Malley also asked about the old Kitchen Manager coming back part time and wanted to make sure that the chain of command was understood. Director Sholes replied there has not been any issues. Commissioner Walz complimented Danny for coming out to introduce himself to patrons and ask questions saying the regulars appreciate him asking their opinions.

President Cooke asked if there were any events planned for August at the golf course. Danny replied that there is an event on August 5 with hotdogs, brats and sandwiches along with live music

## APPROVAL OF PURCHASING POLICY

Commissioner Carlson moved to approve the revised Purchasing Policy.

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Commissioner Biedke	X		
Commissioner Carlson	X		
Commissioner Walz	X		
Commissioner O'Malley	X		
President Cooke	X		

Motion carried.

Director Sholes explained that the District is updating the purchasing policy because the state legislature passed an increase on the competitive bid threshold from \$25,000 to \$30,000. With that approval, the District increased the limit in the purchasing policy and made a few minor adjustments on approval levels for some positions as well.

# APPROVAL OF ATHLETICS ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

Commissioner O'Malley moved to approve that the following individual be appointed to serve a two-year term as an advisory member to the following board:

Elk Grove Soccer Club:

**Donald Hicks** 

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Commissioner Carlson	X		
Commissioner Walz	X		
Commissioner O'Malley	X		
Commissioner Biedke	X		
President Cooke	X		

Motion carried.

#### **CAPITAL PROJECTS**

Commissioner O'Malley stated he had a conversation with Director Kosbab regarding the Salt Creek Stabilization project and the dedication to former Commissioner Ralph Souder. Commissioner O'Malley is hoping to come up with a date for the dedication some time after Labor Day, but they are running into a few issues with additional permitting for the shade structure since that area sits on a flood plain. Director Kosbab and Director Carbon are working on wording for the dedication sign and Commissioner O'Malley would like them to run it past the Commissioners once they have done that.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Commissioner Walz gave the following June Financial report:

## Corporate Fund

- > \$31,704 in property tax was collected.
- ➤ All expense categories, except Contractual are under budget

#### Recreation Fund

- > \$15,341 in property tax was collected in June.
- ➤ Fees & Admissions were almost \$800,000, compared to a budget of \$1,039,000.
- ➤ Net revenue of \$750,000 compared to a budget of \$247,000.

#### Golf Fund

- > 5,758 rounds of golf in June.
- ➤ Fees & Admissions year to date are at \$526,00 compared to \$460,000.
- ➤ All expense categories are at or under budget year to date except supplies and utilities.
- ➤ Driving Range Net revenue is \$60,748 compared to a budget of almost \$25,000.
- ➤ Net revenue of \$84,000 compared to a loss of \$56,000.

# **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

President Cooke said at the July 14 meeting, there was initial discussion on the Marshall Park project design. Executive Director Curcio followed up tonight with upgraded features that were discussed at that meeting. The current budget is \$2.5 million, but the cost may go up with additional features. Also discussed at the July 14 meeting was adjusting the hours of operation at Rainbow Falls due to a shortage of lifeguards. Rainbow Falls now closes at 6:00pm during the week but members can use the Pavilion Aquatics Center from 6:00-8:00pm for free. At tonight's meeting, the purchasing policy was discussed before approval, and the updated amenities and feedback on the playground was discussed. Also discussed tonight was a request from Football to suspend the non-resident fee to try to increase the number of players for fall. Under old business, The Commissioners were shown photos of the shoreline on hole 18 that is crumbling and in need of immediate repair. Executive Director Curcio said the estimated cost of repair is \$125,000. He will be getting more information for the Board as well as going out to bid on that project. Commissioner Walz questioned when the Windemere playground was going to be replaced. Director Kosbab said he believes it is scheduled for 2023 or 2024. Commissioner Walz asked Director Kosbab to let him know because he has some Windemere residents asking.

## ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

## Commissioner Biedke shared the following information:

- > A President's Meeting will be scheduled in the near future. More information to come.
- > Fall Softball closed its registration with 122 players signed up across three divisions.
- > Travel Baseball held tryouts for 10U-13U on July 17, and tryouts for 8U,9U and 14U were rained out on July 24 but rescheduled for July 26 and July 28.
- > Fall Baseball registration closed on July 22. There are 148 players enrolled, up from 124 players in the fall of 2021.
- ➤ Tackle Football will begin practice on August 1, and Flag Football will begin practice on August 2. There are 21 Flag players and 77 Tackle players.
- ➤ Cheerleading practice began on July 26. There are 13 participants in Flag cheer and 44 in Competitive cheer compared to 20 in Flag and 23 in Competitive cheer in 2021.
- > Recreation Soccer registration is open for the fall season with 123 currently registered.
- ➤ Travel Soccer teams are set for the Fall 2022/Spring 2023 season. Practice will begin in late August.
- > Basketball registration is currently open.

#### **GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE**

# Commissioner Carlson gave the following update:

- The annual Czarnik/Hefferen Golf Outing is set for August 5. This golf outing raises money for scholarships for Elk Grove Village kids. Registration is still open.
- ➤ If you would like to book a party or event at Fox Run, contact Kelly Cunningham at the golf course.
- > Watch for information on Simulator Leagues. They will begin in October.
- > Bags Leagues will start up at the end of September. Registration begins August 4.

#### YOUTH COMMITTEE

# Commissioner Carlson shared the following information:

The next Teen Splash Party is going to be August 5. The last one was moved to the Pavilion Aquatics Center due to inclement weather but still had 83 kids attend.

#### ADULT CENTER COMMITTEE

# President Cooke gave the following update:

- ➤ Rod Marino had his annual miniature golf outing. Rod won in the showdown against Doug.
- ➤ There were 586 activity check-ins at the Adult Center in July.
- > There was a cruise ship themed lunch held on July 20.
- > A trip to Starved Rock was taken on July 25.
- > Senior Prom will be held on August 4 at Garden Terrace.
- > Ambassador Lunch will be on August 17.
- > Dancing with the Band will return on September 2.
- > Current membership is 242.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Commissioner O'Malley stated at the last meeting, Commissioner Biedke brought up the renting of tubes at Rainbow Falls. Commissioner O'Malley said there is a perception out there that there are not enough non-rental tubes for the lazy river and patrons feel they are being guided to have to rent a tube in order to have one to use. Director Greene responded that they are having supply chain issues on getting replacement tubes for the ones that pop or get holes during the season. They were ordered a few months ago and still have not come in. Executive Director Curcio said staff will reevaluate the amount of free tubes needed. Commissioner Biede stated that he does not think the size of Rainbow Falls warrants having to rent tubes. Director Greene replied that the tube rentals sell out every day and when they talk about future revenue generation and how to offset costs, this is a great idea by staff. However, Director Greene agrees that there should be enough free tubes available.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

President Cooke asked if there needed to be a motion to approve eliminating the non-resident fee for Football. Executive Director Curcio replied that he just needs direction from the Board to temporarily waive the non-resident fee because it is a program fee. Attorney Hoffman confirmed what Director Curcio said. The consensus of the Board was to allow a temporary waiver of non-resident fees for Elk Grove Youth Football. Director Greene questioned whether the 28 non-residents that have already registered for football will be getting a refund for the non-resident fee they have already paid. Executive Director Curcio confirmed that they should get that refund.

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Commissioner O'Malley moved to authorize Director Curcio to make payment of the bills in the amount of \$120,804.57 for July 14, 2022, \$168,957.09 P-cards for July 14, 2022 and \$214,992.55 for July 21, 2022.

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

ELK GROVE PARK DISTRICT SUMMARY LIST OF BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL ON JULY 28, 2022			
		P-cards	
CORPORATE FUND	\$ 15,047.90	\$ 37,602.70	\$ 21,632.11
AUDIT			
POLICE		\$ 2,833.91	
LIABILITY			

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RECREATION FUN	D	\$ 51,629.50	\$ 58,039.43	\$ 19,452.09
PAVING & LIGHTIN	IG FUND	\$ 2,011.00		\$ 3,461.50
MUSEUM FUND		\$ 144.10	\$ 577.56	\$ 19.42
SPECIAL RECREAT	CION			
ASSOCIATIONS		\$ 2,302.00	\$ 24,861.15	\$ 23,593.39
BOND & INTEREST	FUND			
CAPITAL PROJEC	CTS	\$ 26,566.40	\$ 21,084.25	\$ 138,225.73
FOX RUN GOLF LI	NKS FUND	\$ 23,103.67	\$ 23,958.09	\$ 8,608.31
		\$ 120,804.57	\$ 168,957.09	\$ 214,992.55

Roll Call Vote	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Commissioner Walz	X		
Commissioner O'Malley	X		
Commissioner Biedke	X		
Commissioner Carlson	X		
President Cooke	X		

Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Commissioner Biedke moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes_	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Commissioner Walz	X		
Commissioner O'Malley	X		
Commissioner Biedke	X		
Commissioner Carlson	X		
President Cooke	X		

Motion carried.

The Regular Meeting of July 28, 2022 was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Scott Carlson, Secretary