



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 13, 2017 in the Administration Building of said Park District. President Souder called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and upon the roll being called, President Souder, being physically present at such time and place and the following Park Commissioners, also being physically present at said time and place, answered present:

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

Administrative Staff:

Tom Busby, Executive Director
Rhonda Brewer, Director of Business Services
Ben Curcio, Director of Parks and Planning
Tammy Miller, Director of Leisure Services
Tom Klaas, Manager, Fox Run Golf Links

Special Guests:

Shannon Elsey, Arts/Special Events Manager
Lindsey Pollina, Leisure Services Intern
Kelly Carbon, Superintendent of Marketing
Matthew Struck, Marketing Intern

Visitors:

Janet and Rick Paterala, Resident
Gerry Bliss, Resident
Shirley Moujouros, Resident
Steve Gaus, Resident
Bob and Judi Lyon, Resident
Don Kingsmill, Resident

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Souder questioned if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the June 22, 2017 Committee of the Whole Meeting and the June 22, 2017 Regular Meeting.

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

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Commissioner Biedke moved to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2017 Closed Session Meeting.

Commissioner Walz seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.

SPECIAL GUESTS

President Souder introduced the first guest as Shannon Elsey. Shannon gave a quick update of some upcoming events. The Play, Picnic and Party with the Village and the Elk Grove Library will take place this Sunday, July 16, from noon – 5:00 p.m. There will be many free activities and Tasty Catering will be selling food. Theatre Camp will be performing Little Mermaid Jr. on July 14 at 6:00 p.m. and July 15 at 2:00 p.m. in the Pavilion multi-purpose gym. Shannon then introduced Lindsey Pollina as this summer's Leisure Services intern. Lindsey stated she is a senior at the University of Kentucky majoring in Community and Leadership Development with a certificate in Leadership Studies while minoring in Dance. She just wrapped hosting an All-Camp Day. This event involved all the summer camps participating in group games and finishing off the day with popsicles. Lindsey is now working in an Innovation Project, which entails reaching out to other Park Districts to gather new ideas. Our next guest was Kelly Carbon, Superintendent of Marketing. Kelly attended tonight's meeting to introduce the District's first ever Marketing intern, Matthew Struck. Matt shared that attends the University of Illinois majoring in Recreation, Sports and Tourism. He has been working on literature updates as well as updating the website. His biggest project is to take control of the Elk Grove Pavilion Fitness Facebook page to promote group exercise classes. He has also been taking photos at recent Park District events.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

President Souder acknowledged we had guests in the audience and asked if anyone would like to speak. Steve Gaus approached the microphone to state his concerns over the closure of the PAC lap pool for three weekends including Labor Day weekend. Director Miller explained the first two weekends is for our annual maintenance closure. The third weekend, which is Labor Day, the pool will be open from 7:00-10:00 a.m. for lap swim but then will close because we do not have enough lifeguards to have both pools open all day once the college kids have gone back to school. She added that PAC members will be able to use Rainbow Falls at no cost on that day.

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Janet Paterala spoke next. She wanted to know if the Park District was going to release information relating to the Queen of the Rosary parking lot. As a resident and parishioner of QR, she hopes this situation can be settled fairly as a taxpayer and resident. President Souder responded that the District has been working hard with the Archdiocese and as soon as an agreement has been made, it will be public knowledge. She wants everyone to know how much use this lot is getting by Rainbow Falls users. Director Busby replied that Rainbow Falls is open for 77 days out of the year, not counting any rained out days. In 2015, the District spent \$36,000 to sealcoat, stripe and patch the areas that the church chose. In 2016, the District patched more potholes even without an agreement with the church. The Board assured her that we are close to an agreement with the Archdiocese. Gerry Bliss approached the microphone and said the QR parishioners want to know what is going on. He stated that as an outsider looking in, the District is coming off as being a bad neighbor who is playing hardball and the perception is that the Park District does not want to help pay for the parking lot. President Souder responded that although he cannot discuss details yet, he is baffled by that comment because the District has been maintaining the lot every three years as well as maintaining the playground and ball field. Director Busby added that a tentative agreement was reached in 2015 with the church, but then the Archdiocese declined the agreement. Commissioner Cooke also added that it is our obligation to tax payers to pay a fair amount. Mr. Bliss stated, on another note, he feels new playground equipment was not needed at Morton Park. Commissioner O'Malley replied that the District has a playground maintenance replacement program where the equipment is replaced every fifteen years. Director Curcio added this is due to safety concerns. Another resident, who did not state his name, said the parking lot is not designed for heavy buses. Commissioner O'Malley responded that the game plan for buses is to drop off and move out of the parking lot. President Souder thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.

LEISURE SERVICES UPDATE

Director Tammy Miller gave the following report: We have received several customer compliments about our lifeguards. Our lifeguard staff is very well trained and is audited periodically by Ellis and Associates. We have received "exceeds" on these audits thus far. Nearly 300 people attended Night Slides on July 11. This event was free for all Rainbow Falls and Pavilion Aquatics members. A new event called Dive-in Movie will be held on July 28 at PAC. The movie Secret Life of Pets will be shown. Aqua Member Appreciation Night will be on July 30, and on August 3, we will be hosting Pirate & Princess Night at Pavilion Aquatics Center and Pirates Cove. This event is free for members. Pirates' Cove staff has also received positive comments regarding their friendliness and customer service recently as well. Our summer camps are past the halfway point. Leisure Services Intern, Lindsey Pollina, planned, organized and implemented an All-Camp Field Day last Friday. Some upcoming events include our last Summer Sunday Concert Series on July 23. Piano Man will be playing at the Pavilion Gazebo. Another free event coming up on July 22 is Bike with the Mayor. The ride starts and ends at the Museum with refreshments and a raffle drawing. Our second Teen Blast is August 11. The Youth Committee puts on this event. The first one, which was on July 7, had 210 teens in attendance.

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PARKS AND PLANNING UPDATE

Director Ben Curcio reported the Lion's ball fields are closed due to the rain. The water is all the way to the right field on #1. CAF field #4 still has standing water but should be ready for use by tomorrow. Morton Park playground is open. Salt Creek playground will hopefully be completed before school starts. The project on the bocce courts at Hattendorf will be completed by the end of the month. Commissioner Walz commented that he drove by the new Hattendorf playground at 10:00 a.m. and it was packed. Director Busby replied that is our most popular playground now.

GOLF OPERATIONS UPDATE

Tom Klaas stated the recent rain resulted in 3" of rain on the course. As a result, it was closed all day yesterday. They were able to open the back nine around 3:00 p.m. today, but the front is still closed due to flooding on holes #2, #3 and #8. Jeremy's crew has been working to clean up debris. The Nine & Stein event takes place Friday night. 108 people are signed up to golf with an additional 16 signed up just for the tasting. Tom anticipates some walk-ins that night. The second session of Junior Golf has started. Two evening classes were added this year. The next event is Par 3 on August 18.

BUSINESS SERVICES UPDATE

Director Rhonda Brewer reported Business Services is busy supporting our seasonal facilities. There have been several Comcast and ComEd outages over the past month that has affected Fox Run and Hattendorf. These outages affect our software and ability to run credit cards. We are researching possible alternatives to Comcast for the future. We have several open positions including Aquatics, Early Childhood and Maintenance. Please check our website for more information.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Executive Director Tom Busby stated the second annual Family Fishing Day was held on July 8. There was more than double the number of participants this year compared to last year. On Sunday, July 16 the District, along with the Village and the Library will host a Play, Picnic and Party from 12:00-5:00p.m. This year there will be three premier events, the Zipline, the Bungee Jump and the Blackhawks inflatable hockey rink.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Commissioner Walz moved to authorize Director Busby to make payment of the bills in the amount of \$3,726.45 for June 20, 2017, \$209,327.21 for June 22, 2017, \$230,900.22 and \$209,870.37 for July 6, 2017.

Commissioner Cooke seconded the motion.

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| Elk Grove Park District | | | | |
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| SUMMARY LIST OF BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL ON JULY 13, 2017 | | | | |
| <u>SUMMARY BY FUND:</u> | | | | |
| | <u>6/20/2017</u> | <u>6/22/2017</u> | <u>6/29/2017</u> | <u>7/6/2017</u> |
| CORPORATE FUND | | 19,769.85 | 64,946.84 | 19,571.98 |
| AUDIT | | | | 2,000.00 |
| POLICE | | 453.27 | 235.49 | |
| LIABILITY | | | | 81,749.22 |
| RECREATION FUND | | 18,062.29 | 65,405.50 | 46,929.08 |
| PAVING & LIGHTING FUND | | | 34,330.00 | 9,200.33 |
| MUSEUM FUND | | 71.00 | 969.38 | 863.64 |
| SPECIAL RECREATION | | 8,687.00 | | |
| ASSOCIATIONS | 3,726.45 | 17,350.80 | 12,371.00 | 38,074.50 |
| BOND & INTEREST FUND | | | | |
| 2016 CAPITAL PROJECTS | | 10,059.00 | 26,686.00 | 8,800.00 |
| 2017 CAPITAL PROJECTS | | 127,514.91 | 6,905.70 | 2,681.62 |
| FOX RUN GOLF LINKS FUND | | 7,359.09 | 19,050.31 | |
| | \$3,726.45 | \$209,327.21 | \$230,900.22 | \$209,870.37 |

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

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner O'Malley moved to adjourn to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the Purchase or Lease of Real Estate for the use of the Public Body per 2(c)(5).

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

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RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

After discussion regarding Real Estate, Commissioner O’Malley moved to reconvene the meeting to Open Session at 7:50 p.m.

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

| <u>Roll Call Vote</u> | <u>Ayes</u> | <u>Nays</u> | <u>Abstain</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Commissioner O’Malley | X | | |
| Commissioner Walz | X | | |
| Commissioner Cooke | X | | |
| Commissioner Biedke | X | | |
| President Souder | X | | |

Motion carried.

The President then re-convened the regular meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Director Busby asked if the Commissioners had any interest in hosting an intergovernmental meeting in October or November with the Village of Elk Grove. The Commissioners stated that they are interested.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Biedke moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting of July 13, 2017.

Commissioner Souder seconded the motion.

| <u>Roll Call Vote</u> | <u>Ayes</u> | <u>Nays</u> | <u>Abstain</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Commissioner Walz | X | | |
| Commissioner Cooke | X | | |
| Commissioner Biedke | X | | |
| Commissioner O’Malley | X | | |
| President Souder | X | | |

Motion carried.

The Regular Meeting of July 13, 2017 was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Biedke, Secretary