



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

A Regular scheduled meeting of the Elk Grove Park District, Cook County, State of Illinois was held on October 11, 2018 in the Administration Building of said Park District. President Walz called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and upon the roll being called, President Walz, being physically present at such time and place and the following Park Commissioners, also being physically present at said time and place, answered present:

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

Administrative Staff:

Tom Busby, Executive Director
Rhonda Brewer, Director of Business Services
Tammy Miller, Director of Leisure Services
Tom Klaas, Manager, Fox Run Golf Links

Absent: Ben Curcio, Director of Parks and Planning

Special Guests:

Lana Purves, Aquatics Coordinator
Rachel Tandy, Fitness Center General Manager

Visitors:

Troop 495
Chuck Kawalek, Elk Grove Travel Baseball
Kevin Kehoe, Elk Grove Travel Baseball
Mary Ellen Biedke, Elk Grove Soccer
Kathy Potocnic, Elk Grove Soccer
Effie Cirbo, Elk Grove Soccer
Michael Ihnen, Elk Grove Basketball
Debby Rogers, Elk Grove Youth Football
Sara Michelini, Elk Grove Youth Football
Alyssa Hunt, Elk Grove Youth Football
Dave Thommes, Elk Grove Resident
A.J. Collier, Superintendent of Recreation
Jeff Collier, Superintendent of Recreation

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Walz questioned if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the September 27, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting and the September 27, 2018 Regular Meeting.

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

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Commissioner Souder moved to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2018 Closed Session Meeting.

Commissioner Cooke seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried

Commissioner Souder moved to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2018 Special Public Meeting.

Commissioner O’Malley seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried

Commissioner Biedke explained the reason he voted no was that he was upset the minutes went out to the community before the Commissioners were able to discuss them. Commissioner Souder responded the minutes were not released, but rather the transcripts were given to the athletic associations, as promised, with the understanding that there could be changes made due to a misprint. Commissioner Biedke said there were no changes from the original to the final minutes. Commissioner Souder stated that was because none of the Commissioners requested any changes. President Walz added that since we asked the associations to act within a very short time span, it was a courtesy to let them bring this information back to their board.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mike Ihnen, President of Elk Grove Youth Basketball, inquired if they were to become a park district program, would they be reassured that the program runs the same way. He stated that three years ago they had to turn over their outside accounts, so he wants to make sure the District is not using insurance as a “back door to get in”. Commissioner Souder replied that in no way is the Park Board or staff trying to back door the associations. They all want what is best for the kids. There will be changes, but there is no hidden agenda.

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Commissioner O'Malley spoke to say he does not know which option is best yet. He represents the Park District but also represents the residents first. Commissioner Biedke added this is not to devalue all the volunteers. Nothing is broken but we need to comply with PDRMA and protect the financial stability of the Park District.

Chuck Kawalek, Secretary of Elk Grove Travel Baseball, stated he had a few questions from the October 4, 2018 Special Meeting transcripts. He wanted to know if the Commissioners had voted on an action item yet. President Walz responded discussion began in the Committee of the Whole meeting tonight and will continue after this meeting is adjourned. Mr. Kawalek asked if leaders of the associations were going to be included in that discussion. President Walz responded that the Board is going to come up with what the advisory board will look like and then get feedback from the associations. Mr. Kawalek then questioned if they could get their own liability insurance would that satisfy PDRMA's requirement. Director Busby responded that it all depends on the set up of the program. If the associations come up with their own insurance but everything stays the same, then they are not going to be considered a park district program because they have elected boards, their own websites and the affiliation agreement.

Mary Ellen Biedke, Elk Grove Travel Soccer, stated they have already had their try-outs for both fall and spring season and fees have been paid. She wanted to know what would happen if they decide to go off on their own. Director Busby responded the Park District would refund the fees that were paid for the spring season.

SPECIAL GUESTS

Dan O'Hara, Troop 495, stated that as part of the Citizenship in the Community Eagle Merit Badge, the scouts have to attend local meetings to learn about local governments and get an understanding of some of the issues that are going on.

Lana Purves, Aquatics Program Coordinator, stated she began her career at the District in 2014 as a lifeguard. She also became a pool manager and lifeguard instructor. Lana recently graduated from the University of Missouri where she received a degree in Parks, Recreation and Tourism with emphasis in Leisure Services. She also has a Business minor and a has certificate in Multicultural Studies. Lana is working on a couple new events for the District including a Mile Swim. She is hoping to attract new people into the Aquatics program. Another new event is working on is the Lazy Rive 5k. She hopes to have this event next summer.

Rachel Tandy, Fitness Center General Manager, started working at the District three days ago. She started her fitness career in 1994 at the Schaumburg Park District as a step aerobics instructor. She also held positions as a fitness coordinator, fitness director, fitness manager and club manager at both private and corporate fitness centers. Rachel is very excited to be back in this area. She stated the team has been great and are already talking about new programming and retention programming to make sure our members are happy.

Karen Rosario, and the Elk Grove 4th grade Eagles Cheer Team took first place in the Lemont competition. They also won the grand champion award out of thirteen teams. The girls each introduced themselves and stated what school they attended. The girls also performed a cheer.

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**APPROVAL OF PAY REQUEST #4
FROM TRANE U.S., INC.**

Commissioner O’Malley moved to approve Payment Application #4 from Trane U.S., Inc. for the 2018 Capital Project-Pavilion Boiler 3 and 4 Replacement Project in the amount of \$8,149.50.

Commissioner Souder seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OF PAY REQUEST #5
FROM TRANE U.S., INC.**

Commissioner Souder moved to approve Payment Application #5 from Trane U.S., Inc. for the 2018 Capital Project-Pavilion Boiler 3 and 4 Replacement Project in the amount of \$25,453.50.

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF THE GAMETIME
COMPOSITE PLAY STRUCTURES**

Commissioner Souder moved to the purchase of the Gametime composite play structures from Cunningham Recreation not to exceed \$71,059.64 through US Communities for purchasing of Clearmont and Clark playground equipment.

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried

APPROVAL TO TERMINATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATIONS AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS

Commissioner Souder moved to approve to terminate house baseball, travel baseball, youth basketball, youth football, inline hockey, house soccer and girls softball affiliation agreements as of December 31, 2018.

Commissioner Cooke seconded the motion.

Commissioner O'Malley stated he will be voting no tonight to terminating the affiliate agreement. He feels terminating it is premature saying a forty-five day notice is required and therefore we have another month to continue dialogue on this matter and still meet the December 31, 2018 deadline. He would like to see if any of the associations choose to get their own liability insurance. If that is the case, he does not care what PDRMA says, he thinks we can keep the affiliate agreement. Director Busby responded that we would not be able to meet the requirements in the current agreement because we would not be able to supply supplemental insurance through PDRMA.

Chuck Kawalek stepped to the microphone again to thank Bill for his comments and asked if this item could be tabled until they are able to find a path that they can go forward with. President Walz clarified the Board is going to vote tonight on cancelling an agreement that will no longer exist after December 31, 2018, regardless of the outcome tonight, but the termination will not take effect until that date.

Kathy Potocnic asked if the associations provided their own liability insurance, could the affiliate agreement be amended instead of cancelled. Director Busby replied that this was asked at a couple of the Association's meetings this week and he posed that question to PDRMA tonight. They will give him an answer tomorrow, however, they told Director Busby they did not think that was possible.

President Walz added that this situation is not what the Board wanted regardless of what is being said "on the street" because if it was what they wanted, they would have done it ten years ago.

Mike Ihnen asked who would be writing the new agreement if they become a program? Commissioner Souder responded that it would be a collaborate effort.

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Sara Micheleni, Elk Grove Youth Football/Cheer, asked since they do not have answers to their questions on what the advisory boards are going to look like can they have until December 31st to give the Park District their answer. Director Busby replied the problem with waiting until the last day, and then having an association say they want to become a program, is that we will be scrambling to put everything together. Commissioner Souder told her that staff and the Board are going to attend their next meeting so they should get some of the answers they are looking for at that time. Ms. Micheleni also stated the PDRMA letter said they had the option of getting their own insurance and wanted to know why is that not being offered. Director Busby responded that was what he asked PDRMA and is awaiting an answer. Commissioner Biedke suggested asking PDRMA to attend our next meeting.

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

Motion Not Carried

LEISURE SERVICES UPDATE

Director Tammy Miller gave the following report:

- All full time coordinators and managers that are responsible for their own budget have spent a great deal of time preparing for their budget meetings with Directors Busby and Brewer. Those meetings took place the past two days.
- This Saturday, October 13, we are hosting a Truck or Treat event in the Pirates' Cove parking lot. This event runs from 10:00 a.m. until noon.
- The annual H2Oooo event at the Pavilion Aquatics Center is on October 19 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Two separate events are taking place on Saturday, October 20. The first one is Doggy Trick or Treat at the Al Hattendorf Center at 10:00 a.m. The second event is our Teen Bonfire, which is sponsored in conjunction with the Youth Committee. This event takes place from 8:00-10:00 p.m.
- The biggest Halloween event, our annual Halloween Fest, will be on October 26 at 5:00 p.m. Get your tickets now, as we do usually hit our 1,200 capacity.
- A big shout out goes to Mead principal, Dave Szwed for helping us in surveying the students to determine what type of after school activities they would enjoy. As a result, we will be offering a free kickball game on Wednesday, October 17 right after school at the Mead Park softball diamonds. A permission slip and waiver will be given to students prior to Wednesday.
- Registration for dance classes will be taken until November 1.

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PARKS AND PLANNING UPDATE

Executive Director Tom Busby reported that the Parks staff is busy winterizing facilities. Next month they will have training on snow removal.

GOLF OPERATIONS UPDATE

Tom Klaas gave the following update:

- The first Par 3 Tournament was held at the end of September. Everyone that attended had a great time at this nine hole event.
- High School Boys Regional Meet on October 2 had to be re-scheduled for the next day due to rain. Jeremy, Ben and their crew did a great job getting everything ready.
- High School Girls Sectional Meet was on October 8. It was a little sloppy with the rain, but they got the meet in. There were 112 kids out there golfing.
- Pig Roast is this Sunday at noon during the Bears vs Miami game. There are still a few openings. The cost is \$18 just for the pig roast or \$58 for 18 holes of golf plus the food.
- The 3 Club Tournament is on October 20.
- The Turkey Shoot is the last event of the season and takes place on November 3.
- The greens will be aerated Monday and Tuesday of next week
- Bunker liner installation is taking place on hole 9
- The cart path on hole 10 has been edged. It will be paved the end of October.
- The course is still open weather dependent.

Commissioner O'Malley inquired if they spray for critter control since he did not see anything in the list of bills. Tom Klaas responded that the fertilizer has grub control in it. There were a few minor areas affected, but no traps were needed this year.

BUSINESS SERVICES UPDATE

Director Rhonda Brewer gave the following report:

- A lot of staff's time has been consumed by the budget. They met with all staff in-depth to discuss goals, concerns and new programming.
- Capitals are almost complete and will be presented to the Board at the October 25 Committee of the Whole meeting.
- In response to staff members asking for additional training in certain areas, the Business Services department is hosting a mini conference with training sessions to choose from followed by an All Staff Safety Training. Director Brewer will share how it went at the next board meeting.
- There are positions available in B4 & After Kids Club Counselors, Aquatics Cashiers, Lifeguards, Swim Lesson Instructors, Preschool Instructors and Dance Instructor.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Executive Director Tom Busby gave an update on Colony Park. This is a capital project that the District is working on with Brennen Investment Company. He stated are waiting on delivery of the boardwalk. Once we receive the boardwalk, a contractor will install it. It should take approximately two weeks for the installation to be completed. The new boardwalk will be raised higher to eliminate the flooding problem we had with the old boardwalk.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Biedke asked to put on the next agenda for October 25, 2018 to push back the start time of the November 8, 2018 Regular Meeting to 7:30 p.m.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Commissioner Cooke moved to authorize Director Busby to make payment of the bills in the amount of \$249,659.60 for September 27, 2018 and \$84,832.21 October 4, 2018.

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

ELK GROVE PARK DISTRICT		
SUMMARY LIST OF BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL ON OCTOBER 11, 2018		
<u>SUMMARY BY FUND:</u>	<u>9/27/2018</u>	<u>10/4/2018</u>
CORPORATE FUND	\$ 161,307.96	\$ 17,522.43
AUDIT		
POLICE		\$ 489.26
LIABILITY		
RECREATION FUND	\$ 43,989.64	\$ 43,525.97
PAVING & LIGHTING FUND		\$ 750.00
MUSEUM FUND	\$ 176.67	\$ 483.34
SPECIAL RECREATION		
ASSOCIATIONS	\$ 25,711.85	\$ 6,045.64
BOND & INTEREST FUND		
2017 CAPITAL PROJECTS		
2018 CAPITAL PROJECTS		\$ 10,193.02
FOX RUN GOLF LINKS FUND	\$ 18,473.48	\$ 5,822.55
	\$ 249,659.60	\$84,832.21

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Commissioner Biedke	X		
Commissioner Souder	X		
Commissioner O'Malley	X		

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Commissioner Cooke X
President Walz X

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Souder moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting of October 11, 2018.

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried

The Regular Meeting of October 11, 2018 was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Biedke, Secretary