



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 26, 2023 in the Administration Building of said Park District. Vice President Biedke called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and upon the roll being called, Vice President Biedke, being physically present at such time and place and the following Park Commissioners, also being physically present at said time and place, answered present:

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

John R. Walz, President and Commissioner arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Administrative Staff:

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

Visitors:

Allan Crites, Resident
Cynthia and Mike Puleo

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Walz questioned if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the September 21, 2023 Pavilion Committee meeting, the September 26, 2023 Golf Committee meeting and the September 28, 2023 Regular meeting.

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

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Residents Cynthia and Mike Puleo spoke about the placement of the new playground structure at Windemere Park. Their residence backs up to the playground and they are concerned about the proximity of the structures to their property as well as the siteline from the top of the structure into their home. They are also concerned about noise with the playground being so close to their property. Previously they had met with Director Kosbab to discuss landscape options to alleviate their concerns. The Puleos also questioned if the residents had been notified about the playground renovations either via a letter or a town hall meeting. Director Kosbab stated that there had been a survey sent to residents asking what features they would like to have in the park via email and that a final layout had been posted to the district website. Executive Director

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Curcio stated that the practice of having in-person town hall type meetings had been discontinued for now due to low turnout, and replaced with online surveys, which has been very well received by Residents. President Walz and Director Kosbab will continue working with the residents to alleviate the situation.

**APPROVAL OF ATHLETICS
ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER**

Commissioner Biedke 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 Youth Softball Board:
Tim Gleason

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT APPLICATION FROM
CHICAGOLAND PAVING CONTRACTORS, INC.**

Commissioner O'Malley moved to approve payment application #2 from Chicagoland paving Contractors, Inc. of Lake Zurich, IL for the Pavilion Tennis Court Renovation in the amount of \$52,620.00.

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

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**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT APPLICATION FROM
INNOVATION LANDSCAPE, INC.**

Commissioner O’Malley moved to approve payment application #1 from Innovation Landscape, Inc. of Plainfield, IL for the Windemere Park Playground in the amount of \$36,699.30.

Commissioner Cooke seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT APPLICATION FROM
HACIENDA LANDSCAPING, INC.**

Commissioner Carlson moved to approve payment application #2 from Hacienda Landscaping, Inc. of Minooka, IL for the Marshall Park Redevelopment Project in the amount of \$219,567.48.

Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Commissioner Cooke reported that the board discussed the 2024 Capital Projects in the Committee of the Whole meeting earlier this evening. Total cost for all of the projects is approximately \$5.9 million. Discussion on the tax levy will be held later this evening when the Committee of the Whole meeting reconvenes.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Commissioner Carlson gave the following report:

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Cook County has announced property tax bills will be available online by November 1st with a due date of December 1st. This will delay collections. Finance will continue to monitor cash flow projections. The delay has impacted YTD numbers significantly.

Corporate Fund

- No property tax collected in September
- All expense categories are at or under budget except unemployment insurance.
- YTD of \$1,248,884 compared to a budget of \$3,281,942.

Recreation Fund

- No property tax collected in September
- Fees & Admissions \$2,108,285 compared to a budget of \$1,830,978.
- Program fees were \$1,844,438 compared to a budget of \$1,944,270.
- All expense categories at or under budget.
- YTD of \$201,922 compared to a budget of \$786,304.

Golf Fund

- 7,086 rounds played in August. (This is the most in any month dating back to 2007)
- Fees & Admissions \$1,326,346 compared to a budget of \$1,092,895.
- All expense categories are at or under budget YTD.
- Driving Range YTD of \$142,321 compared to a budget of \$116,308.
- YTD of \$854,981 compared to a budget of \$416,981.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

President Walz shared that they did not have a Committee of the Whole meeting paired with the last meeting. Tonight's meeting topics included the 2024 Capitals Projects and the tax levy.

ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

Commissioner Carlson deferred his report to Director Greene to be included in the Leisure Services update

GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE

Commissioner O'Malley reported on the committee's September 26th meeting at the September 28th board meeting. The committee will meet again in December.

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Commissioner Biedke had no report.

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ADULT CENTER COMMITTEE

President Cooke had no report.

PAVILION COMMITTEE

Commissioner O'Malley stated that there was nothing new to report since his last summary. The committee will meet again in December.

LEISURE SERVICES UPDATE

Director Greene gave the following update:

- Sheila Ray Adult Center - Membership is at 302 members. September was a busy month beginning with the annual Rummage Sale. Dancing with the Band event had 50 attendees. The Fish Boil was enjoyed by 37 individuals. The Fall Fun Party luncheon had 88 attendees and 26 traveled to the Pabst Mansion and had lunch.
- Aquatics - Preschool Swim Lessons filled 100% of the spaces available in September, with 40 total participants. Private Lessons were at 42, Parent/Child Lessons were at 25, Youth Swim Lessons were at 166, and Adult lessons were at 10. Aqua Wellness numbers were at 1,033 for the month which is up from 878 last year.
- Athletics, Adult - All Senior Softball Leagues finished at the end of September. The men's Basketball League had 5 teams for Fall Session 1, and there are 12 teams signed up for the Fall Session 2. The September Beginner Pickleball Clinic was full with 16 adults, and the October Intermediate clinic has 8 adults. We are adding an Advanced Beginner class to accommodate more levels. Wednesday Adult Bags has 51 teams for the fall season. There are 33 teams in the Competitive league and 18 teams in the Recreational League.
- Athletics, Youth Instruction - There are 75 participants in Shotokan Karate. The District's first Youth Pickleball class began with 7 participants ages 8-14. Tennis is strong once again with 26 registrants in 3 classes. Hot Shots Sports has 65 participants and they have added a new Monday Morning Adult/Tot Soccer class. Tumbling Times classes are strong this Fall with 159 participants in Session 1 and 30 participants on the Tumbling Team.
- Athletics, Youth Leagues - Travel Baseball Rosters are set and teams will begin their winter training. Girls Softball ended in mid-October and there are no playoffs for girls Fall Ball. The Fall Baseball regular season ended at the beginning of October and all divisions started playoffs October 14th. Basketball registration is open through the end of October with 205 participants currently registered for the season. Tackle Football regular season wrapped up the weekend of October 21st and then playoffs began. Cheerleading had a competition on October 21st and will have another one in November.

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The fall Travel Soccer and Recreational Soccer seasons are going well. The Recreational Soccer season is set to end on October 28th.

- Audubon Skate Park - There were 7 private lessons in September and 6 registrations for the Skateboarding Workshop.
- Cultural Arts - There are 22 private music participants. They are beginning their preparation for the November Music Recital. The production of Matilda Jr is in full swing with 27 in the full cast and 6 Rising Stars Cast members.
- Dance - Fall 2023 enrollment is higher than last season with 364 total enrollments compared to 354 last year. The Ignite dancers have their first weekend dance convention with Refresh Dance in early November.
- Early Childhood - Preschool had their Curriculum Open House Event on Tuesday, October 24th.
- Fitness Center Programs and Operations - Total Group Exercise Participants for September were 1,654. Total Yoga Participants was 326. Total Chair Yoga Participants was 140. Personal Training was at 118 sessions for the month. Open Gym had 465 drop-ins for the month. Fitness offered a “No Enrollment” for all of its memberships during September. This contributed to 141 new members in the month. Registration is underway for the Run Fox Run 5K in November.
- Museum - The Museum had a great month in September hosting 129 visitors for the month including 28 on Archaeology Day and 58 at Pioneer Day. This marked a 95% increase over September 2022. October will also be busy. The month began with German American Day on October 7th and Cemetery Tours on October 14th.
- Rentals - Rentals had a total of 81 for the month compared to 43 for last year.
- School Care Programs - Kids’ Club had 1,990 registrations for the month of September.
- Special Events - Pirates Cove camp out hosted 32 families (128 guests).
- Youth/Teen Programs - The 2nd Annual Tween Campout at Pirates Cove was a success with 12 campers.
- Upcoming Events and Important Dates
 - November 10 - Martinstag at the Museum
 - November 17 - Parents’ Night Out at the Pavilion Aquatics Center
 - November 17 - Murder Mystery Dinner at the Garden Terrace

PARKS AND PLANNING UPDATE

Director Kosbab gave the following update:

- Marshall Park - Hacienda Landscape has been working in the park with their focus being the items that need to be completed before the cold weather sets in. The Basketball color coating and the pour-in-place playground surface are the two items with the highest priority. Approximately 80% of the walkway around the park has been completed. Holiday Water & Sewer has reestablished the water supply to the park and are now

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working on restoring the areas that were disturbed during construction. ComEd is also working on restoring electricity to the area.

- Jensen Park South - The Park District is working with a number of agencies, most notably Dupage County, to help alleviate flooding in the area. The County will begin by focusing on the removal of three large beaver dams.

BUSINESS SERVICES UPDATE

Director Sholes gave the following update:

- Upcoming Events at Fox Run
 - Superintendent's Revenge on October 28th
 - 39th Annual Turkey Shoot on November 11th
 - Guy Dominick on November 22nd
 - Rob Post Band on December 23rd
 - Tony Ocean on December 28th

The Budget Meeting is scheduled for December 7th at 5:00 pm.

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

Director Carbon shared the following information:

- Native American Day will be held at the Museum on November 4th
- An email blast was sent out this evening showcasing our Fall events
- They are working on the new website with an expected launch in January
- The Community Survey has been completed. A representative from the company will attend a future Committee of the Whole meeting to go over results.
- The Hometown Parade was held in September. The Park District had 2 floats, the Sheila Ray bus and a number of participants walking in the parade. It was really special to connect with the community.
- The Winter Brochure will be delivered to homes on November 19th. Resident registration opens December 4th. Non-Residents can register December 11th.

OLD BUSINESS

President Walz, on behalf of the Board, wanted to thank the entire staff for how hard they have worked getting the Park District back on track after the pandemic and having a very successful year.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Commissioner Biedke moved to authorize Executive Director Curcio to make payment of the bills in the amount of \$140,341.87 for September 29, 2023, \$400,789.22 for October 6, 2023, \$183,999.89 for October 10, 2023 P-Cards, \$42,306.43 for October 13, 2023 and \$56,261.97 for October 20, 2023.

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Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

ELK GROVE PARK DISTRICT					
SUMMARY LIST OF BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL ON OCTOBER 26, 2023					
SUMMARY BY FUND:	9/23/2023	10/6/2023	10/10/2023	10/13/2023	10/20/2023
			P-Cards		
CORPORATE FUND	\$ 60,702.54	\$ 43,544.20	\$ 47,394.80	\$ 12,485.86	\$ 16,222.76
AUDIT					
POLICE	\$ 1,402.50		\$ 3.25		\$ 6.00
LIABILITY		\$ 74,096.97			
RECREATION FUND	\$ 57,394.29	\$ 55,265.14	\$ 101,448.94	\$ 22,443.08	\$ 7,912.49
PAVING & LIGHTING FUND					
MUSEUM FUND	\$ 1,401.93	\$ 3,041.60	\$ 1,856.75	\$ 45.00	\$ 50.00
SPECIAL RECREATION		\$ 29,270.00			
ASSOCIATIONS	\$ 4,523.44	\$ 28,557.26	\$ 11,643.60	\$ 2,672.21	\$ 14,724.26
BOND & INTEREST FUND					
CAPITAL PROJECTS		\$ 148,338.58	\$ 5,403.52		\$ 1,500.00
FOX RUN GOLF LINKS FUND	\$ 14,917.17	\$ 18,675.47	\$ 16,249.03	\$ 4,660.28	\$ 15,846.46
	\$ 140,341.87	\$ 400,789.22	\$ 183,999.89	\$ 42,306.43	\$ 56,261.97

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

Motion carried.

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ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Carlson moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting of October 26, 2023.

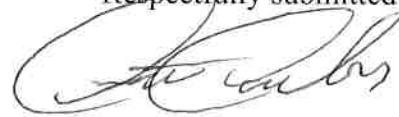
Commissioner Biedke seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

The Regular Meeting of October 26, 2023 was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Scott Carlson, Secretary