



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

A Regular scheduled meeting of the Elk Grove Park District, Cook County, State of Illinois was held on June 13, 2024 in the Administration Building of said Park District. President Walz called the meeting to order at 7:00 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
Robert R. Biedke, Vice President and Commissioner
Scott Carlson, Secretary and Commissioner
Thomas E. Cooke, Treasurer and Commissioner
William B. O'Malley, Commissioner

Administrative Staff:

Mark Kosbab, Director of Parks and Planning
Kelly Carbon, Director of Marketing and Communications
Tiffany Greene, Director of Leisure Services

Visitors: Allan Crites, Resident
Cornelia Marceau Cundiff, Resident
Kimberly Denna, Employee, Resident
Lori Christensen, Resident
Sharon Chavoen, Resident
Diane McDermott, Resident
Bill Hlavin, Resident
Helen Hlavin, Resident

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Walz questioned if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the May 23, 2024 Regular Meeting.

There being none, the minutes were approved by a unanimous voice vote, 5-0.

Commissioner Biedke moved to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2024 Closed Session Meeting.

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.

RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUEST

Jennifer LoBosco is the Early Childhood Manager at the Elk Grove Park District Preschool. She has worked for the Elk Grove Park District for 14 years. Ms. LoBosco and her staff run the preschool, the ACES program and the Hattendorf camps. A dual language Polish program will be added in the Fall. The preschool program is 53 years old and some staff members in the early childhood program have worked for the park district 15, 20 and 25 years. The families the park district serves are looking for hands-on experiences for their children. Teachers use an app to update the parents with daily learning and activities. Ms. LoBosco ended her presentation by reading two emails from parents of recent preschool graduates. Parents value the program for its exceptional and caring staff, the curriculum and the various attendance options available for their children.

Debbie Quinn, Preschool Educational Assistant, has been with the park district for 26 years. She read a number of parent testimonials that were generated from surveys. She wants to thank the parents and families for sharing their children with the preschool staff.

The preschool follows NECPA standards and guidelines, undergoing audits in order to retain accreditation.

Commissioners congratulated the preschool staff on the program's accreditation and thanked them for their dedication.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Resident Crites thought the sound study report for Marshall Park was very thorough and complete.

Resident Cundiff wanted to comment on the opening of Marshall Park. The amenities are nice but the park needs bicycle racks. Parking is an issue with cars parked on the street throughout the neighborhood. Resident Cundiff stated that residents are concerned with the size of the detention area. She urged the board to let the park develop before doing any further construction.

CORRESPONDENCE

Commission O'Malley spoke about emails sent to the Board regarding issues with Marshall Park. Commissioner Cooke added that one of the issues addressed in the email was street parking.

COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Cooke had the following comments:

- We need amenities for adults and teens at Marshall Park, too.
- Residents have asked for more pickleball courts and the availability of parking at Marshall was one of the aspects taken into consideration for location of the courts.

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- We will never be able to provide enough parking to guarantee that parking on the street will never occur.
- Once the grass grows in there will be plenty of open space to play. The soccer field will not be used year round.
- The retention area is a dry basin and will only have water in it during heavy rains.
- Adding bike racks is a good idea.
- The board is committed to mitigating the concerns of residents.
- He has driven by the park numerous days at various times and has not experienced excessive street parking on an everyday basis

Commissioner O'Malley had the following comments:

- He has visited Marshall Park and spoken with residents
- People are excited about the splash pad and the playground. Parking is an issue but interest after the initial opening will eventually calm down.
- Soccer does not occur during summer so the field will be completely open to play in.
- Surrounding residents who belong to HOAs have their private space that the community can not use.
- The park district offered to put a gate in by Boardwalk. The representatives for Boardwalk did not want it.
- We cannot control those who want to disobey laws and trespass onto others' properties or park where they are not allowed. The park district will continue to work with the village to mitigate those issues.

President Walz had the following comments:

- He is concerned about the parking. We need to see what we have after the initial excitement settles down.
- The park district can work with the village to resolve parking issues
- When the grass grows in and the construction fences are removed the park will have plenty of open space.
- A gate for Boardwalk was in the initial plan. Boardwalk requested that the gate be removed from the plans.

APPROVAL OF ATHLETICS ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

Commissioner Biedke moved to approve that the following individuals be appointed to serve a two-year term as an advisory member to the following boards:

Elk Grove Youth Football and Cheer Advisory Board:

Colleen Nielsen
Niko Aguirre

Elk Grove Youth Basketball Advisory Board:

Derek Foley

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

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<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.

**ACCEPTANCE OF BID FROM ALLIED PAINTING SERVICES
FOR PAVILION EXTERIOR PAINTING PROJECT**

Commissioner Biedke moved to accept the bid from Allied Painting Services, Inc. of Batavia, IL for the Pavilion Exterior Painting Project in the amount of \$38,560.00.

Commissioner Carlson 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 PAY REQUEST FROM ANTHONY ROOFING TECTA
AMERICA, LLC FOR ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ROOF PROJECT**

Commissioner Biedke moved to approve the pay request from Anthony Roofing Tecta America, LLC for the Administration Building Roof Project in the amount of \$84,573.48.

Commissioner Cooke seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER FROM UPLAND DESIGN
FOR MARSHALL PARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

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Commissioner O’Malley moved to approve the Change Order from Upland Design of Plainfield, IL for the Marshall Park Redevelopment Project in the amount of \$3,520.00.

Commissioner O’Malley also read the following statement:

I recommend that the President find that Change Order for a total of \$3,520 is in the best interest of the Park District and otherwise authorized by law and that the President be directed to make such a determination in writing; and further authorized that upon being provided with said written determination from the President, the Executive Director be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute and deliver each such change order.

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.

**APPROVAL OF PAY APPLICATION #9 FROM HACIENDA LANDSCAPING, INC.
FOR MARSHALL PARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

Commissioner O’Malley moved to approve Pay Application #9 from Hacienda Landscaping, Inc. of Minooka, IL for the Marshall Park Redevelopment Project in the amount of \$429,401.05.

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.

Commissioner O’Malley stated that he wants everything checked and verified for completeness before final payment is made.

Commissioner Cooke added that some of the exercise equipment needs to be checked. Director Kosbab explained that there are tension control knobs that may need to be adjusted by the individual prior to using the equipment.

LEISURE SERVICES UPDATE

Director Greene gave the following update:

- Sheila Ray Adult Center - The Sheila Ray Adult Center's membership is at 306 members. In May they held their Spring Bazaar. There were 30 participants on the Potawatomi Casino Trip, 99 attendees at the sold out Vito Zatto Show, 77 participants at the Run for the Roses Luncheon, and 25 individuals that participated in the trip to the Botanic Garden.
- Aquatics - There were 23 Private Lessons in May, and there were 95 total swim lesson participants for the month. Aqua Wellness numbers were at 1,088 for the month. Parent's Night Out numbers were at 24 participants for the month. PAC Outdoor Pool is open for the season. Aquatics Staff received their first StarGuard ELITE Audit in May and received 4 Stars.
- Athletics, Adult - The Spring Outdoor Adult Pickleball League has 14 teams, and they are halfway through the regular season with the league ending on June 26. The Spring Adult Pickleball clinics ended on May 21 with 40 total students in three clinics. Intermediate Pickleball class starts on June 3 with 11 students. There are eight teams in the Men's Basketball Summer League. Adult softball leagues have all started.
- Athletics, Youth Leagues - Girls Softball season is coming to a close with All Star games and activities on June 14-15 and playoffs beginning June 17. Registration is open for the Fall Season. Basketball's Summer League has 103 registrations to date. Practices are slated to begin on June 15 with games beginning June 29. Travel Baseball tournament prep has begun. Five of the seven MSBL leagues will have their tournaments June 28-30. Football and Cheer fall registration is open and so far there are 94 tackle football players, 10 flag football players, and 59 cheerleaders. Registration for the 2024-25 Travel Soccer season has begun with 181 players registered at this time. House Baseball has approximately one month left in their season with their Home Run Derby and All Star games coming up on June 14 and 15.
- Audubon Skate Park - In the month of May, there were 11 private skateboarding lessons and group lessons had nine participants.
- Cultural Arts - The Spring Music Recital was on May 23 with 14 students performing.
- Dance - 2024-25 Company Auditions took place May 27. The Spring Recitals themed "Come Together" will take place June 8 and 9 at Harper College.
- Early Childhood - Preschool celebrated 52 of their 3 years old with an End of Year Celebration and 65 of their 4 year olds with a Preschool Graduation on May 21 and 22.
- Fitness Center Programs and Operations - Total Group Exercise Participants for May was 2,114. Personal training was at 164 sessions for the month. Open Gym had 546 drop-ins for the month. The Rejuvenation Area had 1,582 tracked uses in May. Fitness is offering a Summer Membership Pass sale through June 30, and 81 total summer passes have been sold as of the end of May.
- Museum - Visitation at the Museum continues to grow. In addition to 33 participants in Museum programs and events this month, there were 22 drop-in visitors compared to 7 in May of 2023.
- Pirates' Cove - There were 425 total daily admissions over Memorial Day Weekend.

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- Rainbow Falls - Rainbow Falls had 223 total daily admissions over opening weekend. The water park was closed on Sunday due to inclement weather. New admissions line queuing is in place and staff have started the process of creating signage in multiple languages for the lines to help reach patrons who do not speak English.
- Rentals - There were 109 rentals for the month of May compared to 75 in May 2023. There were 13 bookings for Pavilion gym rentals via CatchCorner in May.
- School Care Programs - In May the Kids Club program had 2,421 registrations ending the 2023-2024 school year with a total of 18,691 registrations.
- Upcoming Events & Important Dates:
 - June 14 - Movie in the Park: Migration at 8pm at the Pavilion Field - FREE
 - June 19 - Art @ the Park from 3-5pm at Appleseed Park - FREE
 - June 22 - Family Fishing Day from 9am-12pm at Johnson Park - FREE - Pre-registration preferred
 - June 26 - Art @ the Park from 1-3 pm at Olmsted Park - FREE
 - June 28 - Movie in the Park - Elemental at 8pm at the Pavilion Field - FREE
 - June 30 - River Run 5K from 8:30-10:30 am at Rainbow Falls, Registration required, all ages welcome
 - July 3 - Art @ the Park from 3-5 pm at Jaycee Park - FREE
 - July 10 - Art @ the Park from 1-3 pm at Roosevelt Park - FREE
 - July 12 - Tween Night Foam and Slime Party from 6-8:30 pm at the Pavilion, registration required, ages 9-11

PARKS AND PLANNING UPDATE

Director Kosbab gave the following update:

- Marshall Park has opened with great success
- Staff are excited and have put together plans to deal with crowds. Parks and Custodial staff have a schedule for cleaning the park and the bathrooms.
- We ask visitors to the park to please respect private property and the surrounding neighbors. Dogs must be leashed and picked up after.
- Seed is down and covered by an erosion barrier. Fencing is in place to protect the area while the grass grows in.
- Ballfields at Lions Park have been completed and the new material used will cut down on dust.
- The Fitness Center project is slated to begin next week. Demolition work will be done outside of open hours and take about two weeks to complete. See the park district website for progress.
- Bike racks and directional arrows will be added at Marshall Park.

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

Director Carbon shared the following information:

- Marketing has been busy with Fox Run and Parks and Planning to ensure signs are in place for seasonal opening

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- Art and Culture in the Park was a nice event
- Fox 32’s Good Day Chicago will be taping segments at Pirates’ Cove on Tuesday. In the case of rain, the event will be moved to Jumps and Jiggles. Families who wish to participate should arrive at Pirates’ Cove by 7 am.
- Traffic to the district’s website has grown. More videos have been added. The site had 36,000 additional views in May than previous months.

President Walz mentioned that Pirates’ Cove had been featured a number of years ago on Channel 9 which led to an influx of visitors.

Director Carbon added that Sam Savage will be performing at Fox Run on June 15th. It is a motown, jazzy style band. Dueling Pianos performs on July 27th and will have a \$5 cover charge. On August 3rd the Rob Post Band will be performing from 7 to 10 pm. Fox Run will hold a 40th Anniversary 4-man Scramble event on Friday, July 12th. Great swag will be offered and the event should sell out. Historical news clippings of the golf course will be on display.

Commissioner O’Malley spoke about the pig roast that used to occur at Fox Run years ago. Staff are currently researching vendors for a future return of this event.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Commissioner Biedke moved to authorize Executive Director Curcio to make payment of the bills in the amount of \$507,592.30 for May 24, 2024, \$183,287.77 for May 31, 2024 and \$173,529.99 for June 7, 2024.

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

ELK GROVE PARK DISTRICT			
SUMMARY LIST OF BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL ON JUNE 13, 2024			
<u>SUMMARY BY FUND:</u>	<u>5/24/24</u>	<u>5/31/2024</u>	<u>6/6/2024</u>
CORPORATE FUND	\$ 8,427.99	\$ 79,789.65	\$ 43,728.22
AUDIT		\$ 2,150.00	
POLICE			
LIABILITY			
RECREATION FUND	\$ 10,166.00	\$ 50,923.67	\$ 66,229.45
PAVING & LIGHTING FUND			
MUSEUM FUND		\$ 1,652.10	\$ 177.57
SPECIAL RECREATION			
ASSOCIATIONS	\$ 13,587.04	\$ 28,467.13	\$ 7,645.17
BOND & INTEREST			

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FUND			
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$ 467,791.28	\$ 4,561.00	\$ 21,970.06
FOX RUN GOLF LINKS FUND	\$ 7,619.99	\$ 15,744.22	\$ 33,779.52
	\$ 507,592.30	\$ 183,287.77	\$ 173,529.99

<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.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Biedke moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Commissioner Carlson seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

The Regular Meeting of June 13, 2024 was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Scott Carlson, Secretary