

MINUTES
REGULAR PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT of La GRANGE PARK
1501 BARNSDALE ROAD, La GRANGE PARK, ILLINOIS
October 14, 2024 - 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order & Roll Call:

President Corte called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm. Present were Commissioners Ogden, Sauer and Stastny. Additionally present were Executive Director Jessica Cannaday, Marketing and Events Manager Susan Zander, Superintendent of Parks Sara Earhart, Superintendent of Recreation Zachary Kerby, Lauterbach & Amen Financial assistants Nicole Kozlowski and Samantha Crane, and Executive Administrative Assistant Laura Raimondi as recorder.

President Corte requested a motion and a second to allow Commissioner Zuck's attendance via Zoom conference in accordance with and to the extent allowed by rules adopted by the Board of Park Commissioners to attend the meeting by video or audio conference. Commissioner Stastny made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Sauer. Motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Park District Mission: The Community Park District of La Grange Park supports a healthy and inclusive community by positively impacting physical, social, emotional, and environmental well-being.

4. Open Forum

5. Approval of the October 14, 2024 Agenda

Commissioner Ogden made a motion to approve the October 14, 2024 Agenda seconded by Commissioner Stastny. Motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

a. September 9, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Stastny made a motion to approve the September 9, 2024 minutes with noted grammatical corrections, seconded by Commissioner Sauer. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

7. Communications/Proclamations/Presentations

8. Staff Recognition

9. Staff Reports

a. Executive Report

Executive Director Jessica Cannaday presented her report. The board asked Executive Director Cannaday to explore ordinances prohibiting eBike activity.

b. Recreation Report

- i. Superintendent of Recreation
Superintendent of Recreation Zachary Kerby presented his report. Questions were asked and answered.
- ii. Marketing and Events Manager Susan Zander presented her report. Questions were asked and answered.
- iii. Recreation Manager
Recreation Manager Michele Ritacco's report was presented. Questions were asked and answered.
- c. Parks Report
Superintendent of Parks Sara Earhart presented her report. The possibility of adding artificial turf to Hanesworth South was discussed. Staff discussed the plans for strengthening the new turf at Beach Oak Park.
- d. Financial Reports
Lauterbach & Amen Financial Assistants Nicole Kozlowski and Samantha Crane presented financial reports.

10. Approve Monthly Disbursements

Commissioner Ogden made a motion to approve the monthly disbursements in the amount of \$231,753.04 seconded by Commissioner Sauer. Motion was passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

11. Committee Reports

- a. Sustainability
 - i. Arbor Advocates
October 19th planting at Memorial Park 9:00 am on top of the hill.
Next Arbor Advocates meeting December 4th at 6:30 pm.

12. Unfinished Business

- a. Referendum Bond Update
No action taken. Andrew Arndt from Baird provided an update on the bond.
- b. Yena Park Project
No action taken. Groundbreaking in Spring. Bid opening November 4th. A Woodland theme will be implemented for the 3-5 year old creative play area.

13. New Business

- a. Draft Tax Levy Ordinance
Commissioner Stastny made a motion and Commissioner Ogden seconded to approve the draft 2024 tax levy for the following sum of money, totaling \$1,093,066 or as much thereof as may be authorized by law, is hereby levied to defray expenses and liabilities of the Park District. The Motion was passed unanimously by roll call vote.
- b. Strive for Fitness Contract Termination
Commissioner Ogden made a motion and Commissioner Sauer seconded to terminate the license and use agreement with Strive 4 Fitness agreement for cause due to failure to cure the prior defaults. Motion was passed unanimously by roll call vote.
- c. Library Snowplowing IGA

Commissioner Stastny made a motion and Commissioner Ogden seconded to renew the IGA with the La Grange Park Public Library for Snow and Ice Removal. Motion was passed unanimously by Roll Call vote.

14. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, November 11, 2024 at 6:30pm

15. Adjournment

President Corte called for the meeting to adjourn at 7:35 pm. Commissioner Ogden made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Stastny. Motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.


Secretary

Approved November 11, 2024