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**MINUTES  
RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
May 11, 2010**

**1. Roll Call:**

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Recreation Committee was held on May 11, 2010 at 7:05 p.m. at the Community Center and Ice Arena in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: Comm Reps Bare, Bickham, Ron Evans, Roycroft, Wittkamp, Chairman McGovern

Absent: Commissioner Bernacki

Also Present: Executive Director Bostrom, Deputy Director LaFrener, Director Kies

Audience: Commissioners Guiney, K. Evans, Greenberg; C&M Manager Binder, Superintendent Hickman, Facility Manager Albig, Asst Director Basile, Member Services Manager Burnham, Food and Bev Manager Howard

**2. Agenda:**

Comm Rep Bickham made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Wittkamp to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

**3. Minutes:**

Comm Rep Bare made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Bickham to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2010 as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

**4. Comments from the Audience:**

Commissioner K. Evans addressed the committee noting that the Village Committee had approved the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and that it would move forward to the Village Board. He also thanked staff for getting the sauna fixed.

Commissioner Greenberg commented on the improvement of the situation in front of PSSWC to remove the birds.

5. **Old Business:**

Bo's Run Off-Leash Park Update/M10-074:

Executive Director Bostrom noted that the name had been approved by the Board last week.

Director Kies said that staff was getting positive feedback on the expansion and looking forward to a grand opening later this year.

Comm Rep Wittkamp asked about the entrances. Director Kies noted that there would be a common entrance to the park but separate entrances to the large and small dog parks from that location.

Comm Rep Bickham asked if area B (yellow area) was the expanded area and it was noted that it was.

Comm Rep Bare asked about the capacity. Director Kies noted that it would be between 400 and 450 depending upon the usage.

Chairman McGovern asked about the fencing to be used to close the overly wet areas. Director Kies explained that Director Giacalone had felt the original fencing could be unrolled and attached as necessary.

6. **New Business:**

A. Recreation/Golf Report M10-72:

Superintendent Hickman reviewed the general programming. Comm Rep Bickham asked about the teen participation. Superintendent Hickman noted that it was about the same as when the agreement was in place.

Commissioner K. Evans asked about the actual number of children and Superintendent Hickman noted that there were approximately 35-40 different teens involved in the program. Commissioner K. Evans also offered kudos to Program Manager Steinhoff for the management of the tee ball program.

Commissioner Greenberg asked about the ELC program and it was noted that they were holding the same numbers; that for each child that left one joined.

Comm Rep R. Evans asked about the teen participation over the summer months and Superintendent Hickman explained that it

usually dropped off during that time and they may be looking at a change in hours.

Chairman McGovern asked about the membership cards and Superintendent Hickman explained that they were still trying to get staff to train on the issuance of the cards and that they would begin to track the participation numbers in the future.

Comm Rep Bare asked if the teen hours had been changed and it was noted that they were not.

Chairman McGovern asked about the timing of the May 18<sup>th</sup> event and staff will check on that.

Comm Rep Bare asked which 4 schools were involved with the May 22<sup>nd</sup> event and staff will check on that.

Commissioner Guiney asked about an activity at Eisenhower earlier. Deputy Director LaFrener noted that it was not a park district event and believed it to be a Jr. High School track meet.

C&M Manager Binder reviewed the C&M section. Comm Rep Bickham asked about the benchmarking and C&M Manager Binder noted that our web site had been compared to other sites of similar size.

Deputy Director LaFrener reviewed the Golf Operations noting that the numbers were looking good.

Food and Bev Manager Howard reviewed the Food and Bev Operations. Commissioner Greenberg asked how they were doing with revenue. Food and Bev Manager Howard noted that they were close to being on track, however they had lost 4 weddings (cancellations) that would affect the revenue.

Comm Rep Wittkamp made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Bare to send the Rec Report M10-072 to the Board. The motion carried by voice vote.

B. Facilities Report/M10-073:

Facilities Director Kies reviewed the report. He noted that the district was involved in the Run for Hungry Children Raffle benefiting both the Friends of HE Parks and Bright Hope. He also explained that the next board meeting would award the Seascape Team for their winning of the Platinum Award for their outstanding life saving training and that the May 22 garage sale was sold out with 55 spaces.

Chairman McGovern asked about the out of doors training sessions and it was noted that it was a boot camp program. Chairman McGovern asked if the district was required to provide an AED out of doors and Director Kies explained they were not.

Comm Rep R. Evans asked about providing food at the garage sale event. Staff will discuss that possibility.

Commissioner K Evans asked how much was charged for the garage sale spots and it was noted that it was \$19R/\$24NR.

Commissioner Guiney asked if the kiosk was working at Sears and Director Kies explained that on event days, Ann DiMucci visited the Sears Centre to make sure the kiosk was on and working.

Comm Rep Bickham made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Wittkamp to send the Facility Report M10-073 to the board. The motion carried by voice vote.

**7. Committee Member Comments:**

Comm Rep Bickham thanked the board/committee for the reappointment to the Recreation Committee. He congratulated staff on the spring break soccer camp and Program Manager Steinhoff for an excellent base ball program.

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Chairman McGovern welcomed new Comm Rep Laurie Roycroft to the committee.

**8. Adjournment:**

Comm Rep Bare made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Wittkamp to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean R. Bostrom  
Secretary

Peggy Kusmierski  
Recording Secretary