



The mission of the Hoffman Estates Park District is to offer healthy and enjoyable experiences to our residents and guests by providing first class parks, facilities, programs and services in an environmentally and fiscally responsible manner.

MINUTES
BOARD MEETING No. 1003
March 22, 2016

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Board of Commissioners was held on March 22, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: Commissioner R. Evans, Kaplan, Kilbridge, Kinnane, McGinn, Mohan

Absent: President Bickham

Also Present: Executive Director Bostrom, Deputy Director/A&F Director Talsma, Rec/Facilities Director Kies, P&D Director Buczkowski, Parks and Risk Director Giacalone

Audience: Mayor and Joane McLeod; Jim Burke, Links Technology; Marcy Darin, Alexian Brothers Foundation; Brit Bending 1511 Chatham Ln, Schaumburg; Michele and Mike Hanson 1085 Worthington Dr, Hoffman Estates

In the absence of President Bickham, Vice President McGinn chaired the meeting.

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Everyone present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Mohan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Awards:

Mrs. McLeod addressed the board thanking the Hoffman Estates Park District and their staff for participating in the Fit Pal program. She gave a short presentation explaining the program and noted that it was funded by the Verizon Foundation in conjunction with Alexian Brothers Foundation and the Hoffman Estates Park District. She explained that Alexian Brothers chose a group of at-risk children to participate and that in 4 months 59% had lowered their BMI and several no longer needed to be treated for diabetes. She explained that our staff was wonderful and thanked them very much for their support and for providing the facilities.

Marcy Darin addressed the board noting that the park district had been a terrific partner. She explained that the program had been very family centered with parents and siblings attending the sessions; that Verizon had donated the phones for the kids to be able to use the App and that the App had been customized for our local community.

Executive Director Bostrom acknowledged Superintendent Basile and Director Kies as the staff actively involved with making this program a success. Superintendent Basile noted that it had been very exciting to have so many kids so excited about fitness.

Ms. Darin noted that they were working with Verizon to continue the program and on behalf of Alexian Brothers she wanted to thank the park district for their support.

5. Minutes:

Commissioner Mohan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2016 meeting as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

6. Comments from the Audience:

Michele Hanson addressed the board asking if there was a district procedure to deal with employees charged with criminal misdemeanor and their participation with children in our programs.

Executive Director Bostrom noted that the district was not aware of any employee that committed a violation that would not allow them to work at the district or prohibit them from working with children. He noted that issues that may have occurred 20+ years earlier would not impact those decisions. Ms. Hanson noted that incidents had happened in 2006, 2014 and as recently as two months earlier. Executive Director Bostrom noted

that Ms. Bending had submitted a complaint and the district had done a thorough investigation of the issues and responded back to Ms. Bending.

Ms. Hanson asked if the district considered an incident in 2006 to not be a recent item and Executive Director Bostrom noted that he was not sure that the board was in a position to respond to that item. He did explain that the district did not feel that they were putting children or patrons in harm's way.

Commissioner Kilbridge noted that this was a personnel discussion and best not done in open session.

Ms. Hanson explained that parents in this program would believe that the instructors were appropriate to teach the class and shocked to find that the district did not support that.

Vice-President McGinn asked that the complaint be put into writing and sent to the board.

Ms. Bending addressed the board asking if they were aware of the children that would not be returning to the program because of the issue. She wondered if the decision to create off-ice space could continue to be funded by the ice program if they were down in participation. Executive Director Bostrom noted that the Wolf Pack Travel Program was a totally autonomous organization and the district did not have control over the Wolf Pack coaches or their decisions. He noted that the park district's programs and ice times were completely filled during prime hours. Vice President McGinn noted that it was because of the demand for ice that the district was looking at an off-ice training area.

Ms. Bending explained that the NIHL program had mismanaged the amount of ice they purchased and could not do that again. She also explained that kids were leaving and that they may not have enough participation. She noted that TC was a great facility but had some serious issues with this program.

Vice-President McGinn thanked her for comments.

7. Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Kinnane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Mohan to recommend the board approve the consent agenda.

On a roll call vote: Carried 6-0-1
Ayes: 6 Evans, Kaplan, Kilbridge, Kinnane, McGinn, Mohan
Nays: 0
Absent: 1 Bickham

- A. Bids: Install Playgrounds / M16-032
- B. Bids: Surface Victoria Park / M16-030
- C. Bids: Asphalt / M16-033
- D. Brochure Print Bids / M16-038
- E. BPC/Cayan LLC Credit Card Gateway / M16-045
- F. Surplus Ordinance O16-002 / M16-040
- G. 50+ Center Expansion and Off-Ice Training Facility projects / M16-042
- H. Hoffman Estates Park District Logo Change / M16-043
- I. A&F Detail Reports
 - o Manual checks \$320,655.86
 - o Monthly Invoices \$221,034.89
- J. Financial Statements
- K. Acceptance of B&G Minutes 2/2/2016
- L. Acceptance of Rec Minutes 2/9/2016
- M. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 2/16/2016

8. Adoption of Executive Director's Report:

Commissioner Kilbridge made a motion, seconded by Commissioner R. Evans to adopt the Executive Director's Report as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

9. President's Report:

Vice President McGinn congratulated Executive Director Bostrom for receiving his certification for completing the mentoring program with IPRA.

He also noted that while attending the Palatine Governmental dinner in March they announced that their course would open March 15, to which the Salt Creek Park District announced they would open March 14, to which BPC announced that they already had 700 rounds in. Kudos to Director Bechtold.

He noted that President Bickham wanted to thank staff for the IAPD Conference reviews and all the hard work on the TC Renovations for 50+ and off-ice.

10. Old Business:

None

11. New Business:

None

12. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Kinnane noted that he had been on the golf course, met Rob at the pro shop and felt he was a nice addition to staff.

Commissioner Mohan noted that he was in for the meeting tonight and with his scheduling change requested that he not be assigned as Chair or Vice-Chair of future committees.

Commissioner Kilbridge noted that she had missed the Government dinner and apologized.

Commissioner R. Evans said he had been to March Madness and they had 30 teams and a great event. He also noted that the Easter Brunch was sold out.

Commissioner Kaplan reminded everyone that Friday was the last day for the fish fry and that staff was doing a great job.

Vice-President McGinn reminded everyone of the Easter Egg Hunts coming March 26 and also noted that the Easter Brunch was sold out.

13. Adjournment:

Commissioner Mohan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kilbridge to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean R. Bostrom
Secretary

Peg Kusmierski
Recording Secretary