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**MINUTES**  
**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**June 15, 2021**

**1. Roll Call:**

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Buildings & Grounds Committee was held on June 15, 2021 at 7:03 p.m. at Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: Chairman McGinn, Commissioner K. Evans, Comm Rep Bettencourt, Comm Rep Poeschel, Comm Rep R. Evans

Absent: Comm Reps Sernett & Aguilar

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Director of Recreation Kapusinski, Director of Parks, Planning & Maintenance Hugen, Director of Golf & Facilities Bechtold, Director of Finance & Administration Hopkins

Audience: President Kinnane, Commissioners Chhatwani, Friedman, Dressler and Kaplan.

**2. Approval of Agenda:**

Comm Rep R. Evans made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Poeschel to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

**3. Approval of the Minutes:**

Comm Rep Poeschel made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep R. Evans to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2021 meeting as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

**4. Comments from the Audience:**

None

**5. Old Business:**

None

**6. New Business:**

A. Parks, Planning & Maintenance Board Report / M21-064

Director Hugen highlighted the following:

1. Staff is working with NWSRA on the Vogelei House project. Going to bid in July. Construction is anticipated to start end of August and staff anticipates having NWSRA move in at the start of 2022.

Executive Director Talsma mentioned this is a huge project with financial costs increased to almost \$500,000. NWSRA is still willing to back the cost associated with the project. Three handicap entrances are being created, including a ramp up to second floor, elevator and front entrance.

Commissioner K. Evans asked about historical image. Director Hugen said the front will change with new front porch, new path, new landscaping, and painted doors – new curb appeal. The house will still represent same look, but the biggest change will be the backside with the ADA ramp.

President Kinnane is on Historical Sites Committee at the Village and they only need to worry if it has received historical status.

Commissioner McGinn asked if parking will be limited and staff noted there should not be any issues with parking.

Commissioner K. Evans asked what their staff would be. Executive Director Talsma said it may be part-time staff and Clearbrook staff.

2. Birch Park renovation project is moving along. Concrete and asphalt scheduled to start next week.
3. Seascape update: Leak Detection was out last Wednesday and Thursday. Major leak found near tube slides. Parks staff removed concrete. Pipe was deeper than expected, so contractor, AJ Olson Construction, came in to dig out the groundwork. Repair was made in one day. No significant leaks found once that was repaired. Meters were monitored over the weekend.

Currently, the pool is losing water at about the same rate of average loss for any given pool ~ ¾"-1" of water based on bather load, splash effect and evaporation. Over a day's time, this equates to 6300-8300 gallons of water loss a day. ~6500-8500 gallons of water loss happened.

Commissioner Kaplan asked if the small leaks found were fixed. Director Hugen said it wouldn't be beneficial to fix the one in the gutter system. The surge pit leak can be fixed when the pool is closed, but it is not worth draining pool to fix it.

4. Ice Rink: Last week, the compressor turned off due to a chiller failure. A bypass was done to keep the chiller working. Parts are on order for the repair. Commissioner McGinn asked if this is under warranty or normal wear-and-tear. Staff noted it is due to normal wear-and-tear.

Comm Rep Bettencourt made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Poeschel to forward the Parks, Planning and Maintenance Board Report to the full Board. The motion carried by voice vote.

#### **7. Committee Member Comments:**

Comm Rep Poeschel: Kudos to Dustin. She always reads the reports as each tells everything we need to know. She loved the drone view of Birch Park progress.

Comm Rep Bettencourt: Great job

Comm Rep R. Evans: Never seen the pool parking lot so full. Good thing to get project done so fast. (Executive Director Talsma mentioned Daily Herald article that many pools can't open due to staffing. Thanks to Dustin's team to get pool open.)

Commissioner K. Evans: Glad to be on the B&G Committee.

#### **8. Adjournment:**

Comm Rep R. Evans made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Bettencourt to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma  
Secretary

Alisa Kapusinski  
Director of Recreation