

MINUTES
RECREATION & FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
February 21, 2023

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Recreation & Facilities Committee was held on February 21, 2023 at 7:15 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: Comm Reps Beranek, Henderson and McIlrath, Student Liaison Vega, Chairman Dressler

Absent: Commissioner Friedman, Comm Reps Bettencourt, MacGregor

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Director of Golf & Facilities Bechtold, Director of Recreation Kapusinski, Director of Administrative Services Cahill, Director of Finance & IT Hopkins, Executive Assistant Flynn, Superintendent of IT John Agudelo, IT Specialist Kevin Hassler

Audience: President Kinnane, Commissioners Evans, Kaplan, McGinn and Chhatwani, Christine Tusa, Brian Wright, Steve Dietz

2. Approval of Agenda:

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

3. Approval of the Minutes:

Comm Rep Beranek made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep McIlrath to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2023 meeting as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Comments from the Audience:

None

5. Old Business:

None

6. **New Business:**

A. Fitness Equipment Purchase for Triphahn Center / M23-014:

Comm Rep Beranek made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep McIlrath to recommend to the full Board the approval to purchase fitness equipment by Matrix Fitness through the NCPA for a total of \$60,900.00. In addition, to purchase fitness equipment from Direct Fitness Solutions through NCPA for a total of \$57,952.88.

Director Bechtold presented an overview of the renovation plans for the Triphahn Center Fitness Center, including new flooring, lighting and paint, as well as the replacement of most fitness equipment. The coloring will mirror that of The Club at Prairie Stone. He added that the equipment will be delivered 6-8 weeks after ordering (upon approval), and maintenance staff will complete the renovation. The estimated project timeframe is two weeks, with a re-open date in early May. Director Bechtold also noted that a marketing campaign will begin once dates are solidified.

Commissioner Kaplan asked if current TC Fitness members would be able to use The Club during renovation. Director Bechtold said they would.

Comm Rep Henderson asked if membership fees would change. Director Bechtold said that as of right now, there are no plans to change the fees.

The motion carried by voice vote.

B. AMITA Contract / M23-013

Comm Rep Beranek made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep McIlrath to recommend to the full Board the approval of the St. Alexius Medical Center sponsorship contract for the period August 1, 2022 – July 31, 2023 in the amount of \$70,000.

Executive Director Talsma explained that this is the formal approval of a sponsorship agreement we have had with AMITA for years. They are a major sponsor for the District. The contract is backdated to the start date, and is specifically with the St. Alexius hospital, rather than the AMITA Corporation.

The motion carried by voice vote.

C. Recreation Board Report / M23-015

Comm Rep Henderson made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep McIlrath to forward the Recreation and Communications/Marketing February Board Report to be included in the February Executive Director's Report.

Director Kapusinski presented an overview of the written board report for the Recreation Division. She highlighted a new DEI initiative, providing safe spaces/quiet zones at various

events from families with children on the autism spectrum. It has been very well-received. She also added that the District's social media followers increased by 2,401 in 2022.

Comm Rep Henderson asked how often we offer no music skating? Director Kapusinski said we are trying this once per month, depending on available ice time. Regular public skate is held twice per month, so this extra hour is added to one of them.

Commissioner Evans asked how this is marketed. Director Kapusinski said it is a separate registration code and is marketed within ads.

Commissioner Dressler asked if the numbers for preschool are typical for this date. Director Kapusinski explained that registration had only been open for one week when the report was written.

Commissioner Dressler asked by Streamwood Park District is listed under Seascape. Director Kapusinski explained that Streamwood does not have an outdoor pool, and we allow their residents to come to Seascape at a discounted rate.

The motion carried by voice vote.

D. Facilities Board Report and 4th Quarter Goals / M23-005

Comm Rep Henderson made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep McIlrath to forward the Recreation and Communications/Marketing February Board Report to be included in the February Executive Director's Report.

Director Bechtold presented an overview of the written board report for Bridges of Poplar Creek, highlighting the following:

- TopTracer has done well over the winter. All bays were booked last Sunday for several hours.
- The Fish Fry starts on February 24, running Fridays through April 7.
- The Club had a fantastic start to the year, with 146 net positive members in January, and 85% using the facility on a daily basis.

Commissioner Dressler asked if there were any beer garden events planned. Director Bechtold stated that a few are scheduled, and more will be added around weddings and other rental events. The plan is for one per month beginning in May.

Commissioner Chhatwani asked if it is possible to expand the parking at The Club, as it gets crowded on weekends. Director Bechtold said it does get challenging when we have weekend events, but staff has a great system to direct traffic, and if we let the neighboring school know ahead of time, we can use their lot as well.

The motion carried by voice vote.

7. **Committee Member Comments:**

Student Rep Vega said she is glad the Stairmaster is getting removed, as it was rusty.

Comm Rep McIlrath said she is excited about the special needs events which sound very cool.

Comm Rep Beranek said she is looking forward to Girls Night Out.

Comm Rep Henderson thanked the staff for trying to be inclusive and sensitive to all residents.

Commissioner Dressler said congratulations on the Gold Medal finalist plaque. Congratulations to Director Kapusinski for submitting the marketing projects at conference. Congratulations to Katie Burgess for her volunteer of the year nomination. Thank you to the District for being a platinum sponsor of the Chamber's Gala. Girls Night Out is Thursday and there is still room. Save the date for the SRT Golf Outing on June 7. Thank you to Commissioner Chhatwani for volunteering at the Rotary Club event, and thank you to the District for the consideration of donating the equipment. Welcome to Brian Wright.

8. **Adjournment:**

Comm Rep Henderson made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep McIlrath to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 pm. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma
Secretary

Cindy Flynn
Executive Assistant