

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1093
October 24, 2023

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Board of Commissioners was held on October 24, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: Commissioners Dressler, Evans, Kaplan, MacGregor and McGinn,
President Chhatwani

Absent: Commissioner Friedman

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Director of Parks, Planning & Maintenance Hugen, Director of Finance and IT Hopkins, Director of Golf & Facilities Bechtold, Director of Recreation Miletic, Executive Assistant Flynn, Superintendent of IT Agudelo

Audience: Jenny Bechtold, Lynne Cotshott, Jillian Ironside, Mirza Baig, Kavita Patel, Andrez Narez, Community Reps Harner, Wilson and Winner

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Everyone present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to approve the agenda as presented. Executive Director Talsma stated that we will remove the Best of Hoffman recognition and add the retirement proclamation for Lynne Cotshott. Also, the Consent Agenda motion should read “items A through I”. With changes, the motion carried by voice vote.

4. Recognition:

President Chhatwani presented a retirement proclamation for Superintendent of Business Lynne Cotshott, who is retiring after 23 years with the District. President Chhatwani also recognized the 3rd Quarter Employees of the Quarter.

5. **Comments from the Audience:**

None

6. **Recess for A&F Committee Meeting:**

Commissioner Kaplan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to recess the Board Meeting at 7:11 p.m. for the purpose of convening the A&F Committee meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

Lynne Cotshott, Kavit Patel, Jillian Ironside, Mirza Baig, Jenny Bechtold left the meeting.

7. **Reconvene Following A&F Committee Meeting:**

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner MacGregor to reconvene to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:47 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Comm Reps Harner, Wilson and Winner left the meeting.

8. **Approval of the Minutes:**

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner MacGregor to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting held September 26, 2023.

The motion carried by voice vote.

9. **Consent Agenda:**

Commissioner MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to approve the consent agenda items A through I.

On a Roll Call: Carried 6-0-1

Ayes: 6 Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Kaplan, MacGregor, McGinn

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Friedman

- A. Sycamore Park Development & School District 54 IGA (See B&G October packet)
- B. Ascension Sponsorship Contract (see A&F October packet)
- C. Early Order Fertilizers and Chemicals (see A&F October packet)
- D. Electricity Contract (see A&F October contract)
- E. Open and Paid Invoice Register: \$751,553.65 (see A&F October packet)
- F. Financial Statement Analysis, District-Wide Operations Statement, and Revenue and Expenditure Report (see A&F October packet)
- G. Acceptance of B&G Minutes 9/19/2023 (see B&G October packet)

- H. Acceptance of Rec & Facilities Minutes 9/19/2023 (see Rec & Facilities October packet)
- I. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 9/26/2023 (see A&F October packet)

10. President's Report

President Chhatwani reported the following:

- She attended the IAPD Best of the Best Awards Gala. Congratulations to all for the District' two awards.
- Thank you to Executive Director Talsma and staff for everything you do.
- Congratulations to all for winning the National Gold Medal Award.
- She participated in Indian festivals the last nine days and volunteered in the temple.

11. Adoption of Executive Director's Report:

Commissioner Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner MacGregor, to adopt the Executive Director's Report and as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

12. Old Business:

None

13. New Business:

A. IAPD Credentials Certificate / M23-096

Commissioner MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to approve the 2024 IAPD Annual Business Meeting Credentials Certificate as presented.

The motion carried by voice vote.

14. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Dressler said she is always amazed at the Best of the Best Awards Gala to hear what everyone is doing, and she realizes that we are doing the things that others are receiving awards for. It was nice to celebrate the Grabas and NWSRA.

Commissioner McGinn said he attended the indoor and outdoor Halloween festivals. He also attended the Best of the Best Awards Gala, which was very nice. He welcomed Nick Cinquegrani and congratulated all for the Gold Medal Award.

Commissioner Kaplan said kudos to Executive Director Talsma, who keeps everyone going in the same direction and is our fearless leader.

Commissioner MacGregor said he has been to Toptracer a few times and is enjoying it.

Commissioner Evans thanked the residents of HEParks and his fellow Commissioners for allowing him to attend the NRPA conference. He has summarized all sessions he attended if anyone is interested. He was pleasantly surprised when they called our name for the Gold Medal.

15. Adjournment:

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner MacGregor, to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma
Secretary

Cindy Flynn
Executive Assistant