

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1100**  
**May 28, 2024**

**1. Roll Call:**

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Board of Commissioners was held on May 28, 2024, at 6:42 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: President Chhatwani, Commissioners Dressler (6:58), Friedman, Kaplan, MacGregor and McGinn

Absent: Commissioner Evans

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Deputy Director Bechtold (7:00), Director of Administration & Finance Hopkins (7:00), Director of Recreation Miletic (7:00), Executive Assistant Flynn, Superintendent of IT Agudelo (7:00)

Audience: Comm Reps Harner and Winner; Wolf Peddinghaus, Mirza Baig – all arrived at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Executive Session:**

Commissioner MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to move to Executive Session at 6:43 p.m. for the purposes of:

- A. The selection of a person to fill a public office, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 Section 2(c)(3) of the Open Meetings Act.
- B. Minutes, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 Section 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act.
  - February 27, 2024

On a Roll Call Vote: Carried 5-0-2  
Ayes: 5 Chhatwani, Friedman, Kaplan, MacGregor, McGinn  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 2 Dressler, Evans

**3. Reconvene following Executive Session:**

Commissioner Friedman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to close the Executive Session and reconvene to the Special Board Meeting at 6:56 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. **Pledge of Allegiance:**

Everyone present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. **Approval of Agenda:**

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

6. **Comments from the Audience:**

None.

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

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dressler to recess the Board Meeting at 7:01 p.m. for the purpose of convening the A&F Committee meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

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

Commissioner MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dressler to reconvene to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:29 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Comm Reps Harner and Winner left the meeting.

9. **Approval of the Minutes:**

Commissioner MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held April 23, 2024, and the Special Board Meeting held May 21, 2024.

The motion carried by voice vote.

10. **Consent Agenda:**

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

On a Roll Call: Carried 6-0-1

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Evans

- A. Seascape Aquatic Feature / M24-041 (see Rec & Facilities May packet)
- B. Natural Gas Contract / M24-045 (see A&F May packet)
- C. Permissive Drivers for Personal Use Vehicles / M24-046 (see A&F May packet)
- D. Balanced Scorecard / M24-038 (see A&F May packet)

- E. Open and Paid Invoice Register: \$780,568.63 (see A&F May packet)
- F. District-Wide Operations Statement and Revenue and Expenditure Report (see A&F May packet)
- G. Local Government Efficiency Draft Report / M24-043 (see Local Government Efficiency Committee May packet)
- H. Acceptance of B&G Minutes 4/16/2024 (see B&G May packet)
- I. Acceptance of Rec & Facilities Minutes 4/16/2024 (see Rec & Facilities May packet)
- J. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 4/23/2024 (see A&F May packet)
- K. Acceptance of Local Government Efficiency Minutes 3/19/2024 (see LGE May packet)

**11. President's Report**

President Chhatwani highlighted the following:

- She attended the Community Garage Sale at Seascapes; she said it was very busy compared to last year.
- Congratulations to HEParks and Director Hopkins for the Outstanding Achievement in the Popular Annual Financial Report
- She conducted another financial literacy training for Mercy Homes in Chicago on May 6.
- She was awarded a Silver Award from President Biden for her volunteer service in 2023.
- She thanked her fellow commissioners and all directors and staff for their contributions to this park district, as she completes her first year as president.

**12. Adoption of Executive Director's Report:**

Commissioner MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Friedman, to adopt the Executive Director's Report as presented.

Executive Director Talsma added the following information:

- The Illinois Senate passed the budget, and we are hoping to hear good news regarding a grant for a new playground at Seascapes Aquatic Center.
- Mary Wolff will be retiring after 20 years with the District. She worked part time for nine years and 20 years altogether. Congratulations to Mary.
- The Chicago Wolves have been taken over by the Carolina Hurricanes as their affiliate. We have a full contract with the Wolves through June 2025, and are hoping that Carolina will still use this facility for the following two

The motion carried by voice vote.

**13. Old Business:**

None

**14. New Business:**

None

**15. Commissioner Comments:**

Commissioner Dressler congratulated Director Hopkins for the Popular Financial Reporting award; and she said she is happy we have three new Community Representatives going into positions they requested.

Commissioner McGinn said the weekends have been busy for the District; he thanked Director Miletic and her team, and congratulated Director Hopkins.

Commissioner Kaplan said thank you to all for your work.

Commissioner MacGregor said congratulations to Director Hopkins and said the reporting will only get better. He had a great time at the Kite event. He added that Black Bear Park looks great right now.

Commissioner Friedman thanked Director Miletic and said he is back coaching for HEParks. He asked if we are still good with lifeguards; Director Miletic said we are fully staffed.

**16. Adjournment:**

Commissioner MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan, to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma  
Secretary

Cindy Flynn  
Executive Assistant