

MINUTES
RECREATION & FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
March 18, 2025

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Recreation & Facilities Committee was held on March 18, 2025, at 7:37 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: Chairman MacGregor, Commissioner Dressler, Comm Reps Beranek, Henderson, and Kulkarni

Absent: Comm Reps Bettencourt and Ostermeyer

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Deputy Director Bechtold, Director of Parks, Planning & Maintenance Hugen, Director of Recreation Miletic, Director of Administrative Services Rivas, Executive Assistant Flynn, IT Specialist Hassler

Audience: President Chhatwani, Commissioners Evans, Kaplan, McGinn, and Friedman, Comm Rep Dowling

2. Approval of Agenda:

Comm Rep Beranek made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Kulkarni, 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 Kulkarni, to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2025, meeting as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Comments from the Audience:

None

5. Old Business:

None

6. New Business:

A. Recreation Board Report / M25-023

Comm Rep Henderson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dressler to forward the March Recreation Board Report to be included in the March Executive Director's Report.

Executive Director Talsma introduced Karrie Miletic as Superintendent of Community Outreach, Seniors, Special Events (and Dance), and noted that the District has been wanting to focus on community outreach. Connor Schwarz has been hired as our Senior/Adult Program Manager to support Karrie in expanding our Adult programming.

Superintendent Miletic highlighted the following:

- Basketball season just wrapped up. She thanked Commissioner Friedman for volunteering. Staff communication was effective, and the parent volunteers were wonderful.
- The dancers won a second competition recently. The dance company has been working hard and building the team and talent..
- We are happy to have Connor join our team.

The motion carried by voice vote.

B. Facilities and Marketing Board Report / M25-029

Comm Rep Beranek made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dressler, to forward the Facilities & Marketing March Board Report to be included in the March Executive Director's Report.

Deputy Director Bechtold highlighted the following:

- We have three new employees on the facility side: William Anderson is the evening facility manager at Willow Rec Center; Anna Thoma holds the same position at Triphahn Center; and Owen Schmidt holds the same position at The Club. They will come next month to introduce themselves.
- The golf course is open and busy. On Friday (second open day), the tee sheet was 97% full. The course came out of winter very well.
- The fish fry has been very busy.
- The Club is up 152 members for the year (3,172 total); ages 18-29 make up 25% of the membership; otherwise very even across the board.
- The new fitness class area will be well used.
- Marketing has done a great job advertising everything.

Comm Rep Beranek asked if the singing bowl meditation class was well attended. Deputy Director Bechtold said it was, and they will schedule another one.

The motion carried by voice vote.

7. **Committee Member Comments:**

Commissioner Dressler was excited to meet Connor at a community meeting earlier in the day. He is already out in public doing his thing.

Commissioner MacGregor said he is glad to hear the golf course is open, and he hopes to have some great weather coming up.

8. **Adjournment:**

Comm Rep Beranek made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Kulkarni to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma
Secretary

Cindy Flynn
Executive Assistant