

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1122
March 24, 2026

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Board of Commissioners was held on March 24, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: President Friedman, Commissioners Dressler, Kaplan, and MacGregor

Absent: Commissioners Chhatwani, Evans and McGinn

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Deputy Director Bechtold, Director of Administrative Services Rivas, Director of Finance Vogt, Executive Assistant Flynn

Audience: Comm Reps L. Henderson, Harner, Musial, Wilson, and Winner; Don Fye

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Everyone present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda:

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

4. Recognition:

A. Retirement Proclamation – Don Frye

President Friedman recognized Don Frye for his retirement and 23 years of service.

Don Frye left the meeting.

5. Comments from the Audience:

None

6. Recess for A&F Committee Meeting:

Commissioner Kaplan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner MacGregor to recess the Board Meeting at 7:07 p.m. for the purpose of convening the A&F Committee meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

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

Commissioner MacGregor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dressler to reconvene to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:26 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Comm Reps Harner, Henderson, Wilson, Winner, and Musial left the meeting.

8. **Consent Agenda:**

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

On a Roll Call: Carried 4-0-3
Ayes: 4 Dressler, Friedman, Kaplan, MacGregor
Nays: 0
Absent: 3 Chhatwani, Evans, McGinn

- A. NWSRA IGA – Conflict of Interest Disclosure and Waiver / M26-025 (see A&F March packet)
- B. Open and Paid Invoice Register: \$1,174,123.91 (see A&F March packet)
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report (See A&F March packet)
- D. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 2/24/2026 (see A&F March packet)
- E. Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes 1/20/2026
- F. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes 2/24/2026
- G. Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes 3/12/2026

9. **President's Report**

President Friedman highlighted the following:

- He coaches a 7th grade boy who asked him when we restock the fish in the ponds. Director Hugen provided a detailed answer, and the boy was satisfied with that.
- Brian Jome and Nick Wirth did a great job during the end of season basketball tournament for the youth league.

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

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

Executive Director Talsma provided an update on the beaver situation at Westbury Park. Several residents had reached out to the park district regarding some traps that were unsafe for animals and residents, and a raccoon that had been caught in a trap. Staff was unaware of the types of traps that were being used and asked the contractor to remove them. He explained the size of the current dam which is about 20 feet from the outlet for the lake; he also explained the damage to trees that has been caused already this season by beavers. We must follow strict laws in removing the beavers, and we did receive a call from IDNR, who said we are doing everything right.

The motion carried by voice vote.

11. **Old Business:**

None

12. **New Business:**

None

13. **Commissioner Comments:**

Commissioner Kaplan said the Russian Olympic skaters were here over the weekend. It was a nice event, and he was impressed that GM of Ice Cinquegrani was on-site for the event as well.

14. **Adjournment:**

Commissioner Dressler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner MacGregor, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma
Secretary

Cindy Flynn
Executive Assistant