

**Park District of Oak Park  
Committee of the Whole  
Hedges Administrative Center  
Oak Park, Illinois  
Thursday, May 3, 2018**

**Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35pm.

**I. Roll Call**

**Present:** Commissioners Aeschleman, Lentz, Porreca, Wick and President Guarino.

**Park District Staff present:** Jan Arnold, Executive Director; Chris Lindgren, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds; Kyle Cratty, Finance Director; and Karen Gruszka, Executive Assistant.

**Others Present:** Mark Burkland, PDOP Attorney; John McManas and Josephine Bellalta, Altamanu, Inc.; and Igor Studenkov, Wednesday Journal Reporter.

**II. Public Comment**

**III. Recreation and Facility Program Committee**

**IV. Buildings and Grounds/Facility Maintenance Committee**

**A. Wenonah Park Master Plan Review**

John McManus informed the Board of the suggestions and changes made to the Wenonah Park Master Plan from the Community Meeting held on February 21, including: swings, eliminating the sand and plantings, and reducing the number of park entrances. Those in attendance also liked the idea of adding a natural play area. The Board discussed the safety/fencing of the park. This plan is currently not on the CIP but can be looked at in June when the Board revisit the CIP. **This will come before the Board at the May Regular Board Meeting on the consent agenda.**

**B. Scoville Park Master Plan Presentation**

John McManus informed the Board of the March 21, Community Meeting. Residents were complimentary of the improvements made but were looking to add additional blooming plantings and to add pickle ball lines to the tennis courts. Discussion took place on the CIP funds for the upkeep of the memorial. **This will come before the Board at the May Regular Board Meeting on the consent agenda.**

**C. IPM Policy Review**

Executive Director Arnold reminded the Board of the Park District's IPM policy and that it is annually reviewed by the Greening Advisory Committee so that the Park District continues to strive to the highest standards of environmental practices. The Board discussed D97 request for the Park District's IPM Policy for their use and requested all brand names be taken out of the policy. **This will come before the Board at the May Regular Board Meeting on the consent agenda.**

**V. Administration and Finance Committee**

**A. WSSRA New Member**

The Board was informed that Riverside had requested to join WSSRA. Currently along with the Park District of Oak Park, there are ten other partners. The Board discussed the services, costs, and any possible affects of Riverside joining. All were in consensus for Riverside joining

WSSRA and receiving access and benefits for the residents in need of their services. **This will come before the Board at the May Regular Board Meeting on the consent agenda.**

**B. Review of Ethics Ordinance Update**

As a standard practice, the PDOP reviews our Ethics Ordinance annually to make any changes needed. The last change made to the Ordinance was in 2011, and at this time there are no changes to our current Ethics Ordinance. **No action by the Board is needed at this time.**

**C. IAPD Legislative Day Update**

I attended the Legislative Day in Springfield where there was not much change seen within the legislature; the two main topics tax freeze, minimum wage increase and other current issues were discussed. **No action is needed by the Board on this item.**

**D. Spring Tour Update**

The Board directed Executive Director, Jan Arnold, to find a new date in the upcoming weeks for a Spring Park tour. **No action is needed by the Board on this item.**

**E. IGOV Update**

Executive Director Arnold was reminded the next IGOV meeting was May 19 and that each entity was supposed to bring their top three collaborations to the meeting and present them and how they have benefited the community. The Board briefly ran through some of the many collaborations the Park District has done. **No action is needed by the Board on this item.**

**VI. New Business**

**VOP Survey** – The Board was informed of a survey President Aeschleman had received from the VOP that each entity had received and was asked to fill out regarding financial, collaboration, and benefits to the community. She was given direction from the Board to fill out the survey with staff and return to the VOP. **No action is needed by the Board on this item.**

**VII. Closed Session – None**

**VIII. Adjournment**

At 8:43p.m. a voice vote was taken to adjourn the Committee of the Whole. **Motion carried in a voice vote.**



Secretary  
Board of Park Commissioners

June 21, 2018  
Date



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