

PARK DISTRICT OF OAK PARK Committee of the Whole Meeting John Hedges Administrative Center 218 Madison Street Oak Park, Illinois 60302

Thursday, May 1, 2025
Directly Following the Annual Meeting

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:14 pm.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Lentz, Onayemi, Wollmuth, Worley-Hood, and President Porreca.

Park District Staff Present: Mitch Bowlin, Director of Business Operations; Bill Hamilton, Superintendent of Parks & Facilities; Maureen McCarthy, Deputy Direct or of Recreation; Ann Marie Buczek, Director of Marketing and Community Engagement, Paula Bickel, Director of Human Resources and Risk and Mike Baiardo, Superintendent of Special Facilities.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

III. ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. <u>Spring Tour</u> Executive Director Arnold shared that the Spring Park Tour for the board members has been scheduled for Saturday, May 10 at 9am. Bus will depart from 218 Madison and visit Longfellow Park, Rehm Pool and Andersen Park. **No action required.**
- B. Review of Ethic Ordinance Executive Director Arnold noted that the Park District is required to review the Ethics Ordinance on a continuing basis. The ordinance was last updated in 2015. At this time, there are no updates to the policy that are needed as there have been no legal changes since the last update. This item will be brought before the Board on the consent agenda at the May Regular Board Meeting.

VI. RECREATION AND FACILITY PROGRAM COMMITTEE - None

A. <u>Collaboration for Early Childhood Agreement</u> – Executive Director Arnold introduced Executive Director Mary Reynolds. Mary shared updates on their programing such as the Resource Fair, Blast-Off to Kindergarten that take place in PDOP parks. She shared how beautiful the parks are in Oak Park and what great spaces for the community. She shared staff professional development sessions that have been offered in the community that PDOP preschool teachers have participated in for their growth. Board members thanked her for the work that the Collaboration does for the community. This item will be brought before the Board on the regular agenda at the May Regular Board Meeting.

V. PARKS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE - None

VI. NEW BUSINESS - None

VII. CLOSED SESSION - None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Date

At 8:14pm, the Committee of the Whole Meeting was adjourned. The motion was passed by a voice vote of 5:0.

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