

MINUTES
Mundelein Park & Recreation District
Committee of the Whole
December 16, 2024

The Committee of the Whole meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Mundelein Park & Recreation District, Mundelein, Lake County, Illinois, was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

He then directed the secretary to call the roll. Present were Commissioners BURTON, FRASIER, McGRATH, ORTEGA, and President KNUDSON.

Staff present included Executive Director SALSKI.

Visitors: Ron Greenberg

President KNUDSON asked if any visitors wanted to make a comment. None were made.

Executive Director SALSKI explained first quarter discussion topics for Committee and Board Meetings. He mentioned that General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bond Ordinance and Wetland Mitigation Banking would be the focus on January 13. He said the Diamond Lake Focus Group Summary Report and Affiliate Recap would be held on January 27. He explained that some of the topics could get changed.

He presented the \$600,000 OSLAD Grant and what amenities would be included in the project. Board Members asked questions about the project. Executive Director SALSKI explained construction would include an asphalt pad for ice skating, wheelchair football, camps and more. Commissioner ORTEGA asked whether concrete was considered. Executive Director SALSKI said it was considered but cost and smooth surface were important factors. Commissioner BURTON asked if a shelter was included. Executive Director SALSKI said a shelter was included. Executive Director SALSKI mentioned that he would be aggressive seeking grants to connect a walking path throughout the entire Community Park, i.e., baseball and soccer fields. Board Members thought it was a good idea. He provided some insight into the Capital Development projects such as the golf course, Dolan Recreation Center, and Diamond Lake. He explained that staff were looking at a variety of projects for the golf course such as sand traps, clubhouse deck, windows, carpeting, bar area and pump house. Commissioner ORTEGA asked if it would be phased. Executive Director SALSKI said that he had the exact conversation with staff, and it would need to be phased because it would be too much to manage. He mentioned that he would add an idea such as expansion of MCC which could include a warm weather pool, expand health and fitness center, members only gym and expand Rush Physical Therapy. However, he said it was very premature.

There being no further business, Commissioner ORTEGA moved to adjourn at 7:29 p.m. second by Commissioner McGRATH. A voice vote was taken with all voting yes.


Secretary

MINUTES
Mundelein Park & Recreation District
Regular Board Meeting
December 16, 2024

The Regular Board meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Mundelein Park & Recreation District, Mundelein, Lake County, Illinois, was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President KNUDSON and he asked the assemblage to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

He then directed the secretary to call the roll. Present were Commissioners BURTON, FRASIER, McGRATH, ORTEGA and President KNUDSON.

Visitors: Ron Greenberg

President KNUDSON asked if the visitors wanted to make a comment. None were made.

President KNUDSON requested a motion to approve the minutes of December 9, 2024. Commissioner ORTEGA moved to approve the minutes of the Budget & Appropriation Public Hearing, Committee Meeting and Regular Meetings from December 9, 2024, second by Commissioner BURTON. President KNUDSON repeated the motion, asked if there were any additional corrections or additions. None were raised. A voice vote was taken with all voting yes.

President KNUDSON read the Warrants needed to be approved. Commissioner ORTEGA moved to approve Warrants 121024 and 121624 in the amount of \$85,893.01, second by Commissioner FRASIER. President KNUDSON repeated the motion, asked if there were any questions. None were raised. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioners ORTEGA, FRASIER, BURTON, McGRATH, and KNUDSON voting yes.

President KNUDSON asked for approval of the November Financial Report. Commissioner McGRATH moved to place the November Financial Report on file, second by Commissioner BURTON. President KNUDSON repeated the motion and asked if there were any questions. Executive Director SALSki clarified that the transfers were made to capital which was why the financials looked much different. President KNUDSON appreciated the clarification. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioners McGRATH, BURTON, FRASIER, ORTEGA and President KNUDSON voting yes.

President KNUDSON requested a motion to file the November Police report. Commissioner FRASIER moved to place the November Police Report on file, second by Commissioner ORTEGA. President KNUDSON repeated the motion, asked if there were any questions. None were raised. A voice vote was taken with all voting yes.

President KNUDSON stated there was no Correspondence.

President KNUDSON stated there was no Old Business.

President KNUDSON requested a motion for approval of Kracklauer Dance Studio Bathroom Construction. Commissioner McGRATH moved to approve the Kracklauer Dance Studio Bathroom Construction, second by Commissioner BURTON. President KNUDSON repeated the motion, asked if there were any questions. Executive Director SALSKI presented the Kracklauer Dance Studio Bathroom Construction project and explained the additional costs to update the facility such as the fire panel and exit door. President KNUDSON asked if it was necessary. Executive Director SALSKI explained that when a business updates a facility it must meet the Village codes. He said that the District was fortunate that a sprinkler system was not necessary. Commissioner BURTON asked if hand dryers were part of the project. Executive Director SALSKI said he would check and get back to the Board. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioners McGRATH, BURTON, FRASIER, ORTEGA, and KNUDSON voting yes.

President KNUDSON requested a motion for approval of 2025 Full and Part-Time Wage Ranges. Commissioner ORTEGA moved to approve 2025 Full and Part-Time Wage Ranges, second by Commissioner FRASIER. President KNUDSON repeated the motion, asked if there were any questions. Executive Director SALSKI presented the Full and Part-Time Wage Ranges. Commissioner McGRATH asked if any salaries changed. He said some of the Superintendent positions were revised to be competitive with the market but some Superintendent ranges did not change. He said the budget included the changes. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioners ORTEGA, FRASIER, BURTON, McGRATH, and KNUDSON voting yes.

President KNUDSON requested a motion for approval of Proposed 2025 Facility Fees. Executive Director SALSKI presented the Facility Fees for the golf course and Spray Park. He apologized that the fees were not included in earlier agendas as it was an oversight. He mentioned that the fees will be discussed and approved before the Budget approval in future years. The Board had an extensive discussion. Commissioner ORTEGA asked if staff had recommendations for revising the age groups of Barefoot Bay, Health and Fitness Center, Regent Center and Steeple Chase. Executive Director SALSKI explained that staff did not provide a recommendation but did research. He said the Regent Center was 55 years of age, Steeple Chase was 55 years of age, Health and Fitness Center was 62 years of age and Barefoot Bay was 55 years of age. He said there were concerns about increasing the age at the golf course as it would be difficult to manage operationally. He said the Board had a lengthy discussion at a prior meeting. He suggested considering increasing the age when improvements are being made and it would allow staff to check other courses. Commissioner ORTEGA was unsure about the recommendation, but other Board Members agreed. Commissioner ORTEGA suggested increasing the Regent Center Membership and Barefoot Bay to 62 years of age. President KNUDSON was concerned with increased fees and increasing age. Executive Director SALSKI suggested making one big change with the age instead of moving it up incrementally annually. Executive Director SALSKI said he would grandfather residents if concerns arise. Board Members agreed.

Commissioner McGRATH asked about Spray Park fees and was it necessary to charge residents a minimal fee. Executive Director SALSKI's recommendation was to create a daily rate for those non-members of Barefoot Bay. Commissioner McGRATH was concerned about not having a free service and whether a few thousand would be worth it. Executive Director SALSKI said the District used to charge prior to COVID and it wasn't an issue. He said the District has made significant improvements impacting the Capital Fund and some offsetting revenue would assist. Commissioner McGRATH asked if there were other expenses associated with Spray Park. Executive Director SALSKI said there was an Attendant which costs the District. Board Members agreed to align the Barefoot Bay membership with Spray Park and charge if a non-member of Barefoot Bay. He said any potential MCC expansion could relocate Spray Park to another area such as Diamond Lake and could be free to all residents. Board Members agreed to the proposed fees as indicated in the memorandum and increasing the age for Barefoot Bay and Regent Center to 62 years of age to align with the Health and Fitness Center. Board Members agreed to evaluate Steeple Chase Golf Club age category for 2026 and requested staff provide comparisons of other golf courses. Commissioner ORTEGA moved to approve Proposed 2025 Facility Fees as stated in the memorandum and changing the Barefoot Bay and Regent Center age group to 62 years of age, second by Commissioner McGRATH. President KNUDSON repeated the motion, asked if there were any questions. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioners ORTEGA, McGRATH, BURTON, FRASIER, and KNUDSON voting yes.

President KNUDSON stated there was no Board Business.

President KNUDSON asked for Staff Reports. None were provided.

President KNUDSON acknowledged the service anniversary.

There being no further business, Commissioner ORTEGA moved to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. seconded by Commissioner FRASIER. A voice vote was taken with all voting yes.



Secretary