

Minutes of the Local Government Efficiency Decennial Committee Meeting of the New Lenox Community Park District Board of Commissioners held on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at approximately 5:00pm in the Board Room of the Village Hall, New Lenox, Illinois.

## **GENERAL FUNCTIONS**

**Call to Order** President Schulz called the March 20, 2024, Local Government Efficiency Decennial Committee Meeting to order at approximately 5:06pm.

**Roll Call** President Ted Schulz, Commissioner Brian Fischer, Commissioner Dale Larson were present.

**Also Present** Executive Director Greg Lewis, Director of Recreation Lea Pipiras, Director of Parks-Maintenance George Travnicek, Director of Golf Bob Schulz, Director of Business Services Kathy Lynch, Guest Services Supervisor Melissa McGrath, Friends of the Park Member Dr. Tom Eddy and Friends of the Park Member Jen Ruhl.

**Approval of Committee Minutes** *Approval for the Local Government Efficiency Decennial Committee Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2023*

President Schulz requested any questions or comments on the Local Government Efficiency Decennial Committee Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2023. Hearing no questions or comments, President Schulz requested a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Motion made by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Fischer. Upon a roll call vote, all were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

*Approval for the Local Government Efficiency Decennial Committee Meeting Minutes of November 15, 2023*

President Schulz requested any questions or comments on the Local Government Efficiency Decennial Committee Meeting Minutes of November 15, 2023. Hearing no questions or comments, President Schulz requested a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Motion made by Commissioner Fischer, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Upon a roll call vote, all were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

## **Committee & Staff Reports**

Executive Director Lewis reported that it was recommended by IAPD to include the Park District's Annual Report as the best way to report on the district. He directed all present to go to page 7 of the report showing the upcoming initiatives including a new tot lot playground at Bristol Park, replacing rubber surface at Freedom and Wildflower playgrounds, updating sports surfaces and blacktop at Countryview/Royal Meadows Park, completion of the Hibernia Park Phase II development and showing that the district will continue to work on renovating parks that do not conform to the Americans with Disabilities Act. Executive Director Lewis noted that this page is a great snapshot of what the park district has been working on and accomplishing over the course of the past couple of year. He thanked Recreation Supervisor Amy Maher for taking all the

information from all our departments and putting it together for our second Annual Report. He noted that this will become part of the overall report that we submit to Will County. Executive Director Lewis asked the community members of the Friends of the Park if they had any questions or concerns regarding the Annual Report.

Executive Director Lewis reported that the second part of the report is from Lincoln-Way Special Recreation Association. He noted that this is their second year of putting together an Annual Report. Executive Director Lewis stated that their report shows their initiatives, goals and accomplishments along with some program snapshots.

Executive Director Lewis asked the Board of Commissioners and the community members if they had any questions or concerns regarding either one of these reports. He also noted that these provide a great deal of information that will be included in the overall report that will be submitted to Will County.

**Unfinished Business** President Schulz stated that Amended Resolution #23-26 was approved at the December 20, 2023, Regular Board Meeting. This resolution signifies the change of the Open Meetings Officer and Freedom of Information Officer for the Efficiency Committee from Jacque Tuma to Melissa McGrath.

**New Business** *Compile Final Report to Submit on or before December 10, 2024, to Will County Board*

Executive Director Lewis reported that the goal is to be ahead of the date of December 10, 2024, to have the report to Will County Board. He noted that our target date is June 2024, but we do have quite a few projects going on. He feels that the committee has put together a great report and looks forward to having this off our plate.

**Committee Member  
Comments**

Executive Director Lewis thanked the staff, board members and the committee members from the Friends of the Park for putting in the time to attend the meetings as well as working on this project. He noted again that he is confident with the final report we will be turning in.

**Adjournment**

At approximately 5:17pm, President Schulz requested a motion to adjourn the March 20, 2024, Local Government Efficiency Decennial Committee Meeting. Motion made by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Fischer.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa McGrath, Recording Secretary