

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
CLARENDON HILLS PARK DISTRICT BOARD
COMMUNITY CENTER – 325 CHICAGO AVENUE
August 25, 2025 – 7:00p.m.

The Regular Board meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by President Austin. The Open House Public Meeting scheduled for 6:00p.m. was cancelled.

The roll call was as follows:

Present: Austin, Barcelos, Draudt, Fetzer, and Sink**
Absent: None

**Commissioner Sink exited the meeting at 8:07p.m.

Other Officials Present: Donald Scheltens, Executive Director
Katie Gock, Assistant Director
Blake McMahon, Superintendent of Parks
Kathleen Forzley, Secretary

Addresses from the Audience

Hosek Park neighbor Phil Ordway addressed the Board regarding water coming into his house after heavy rainstorms over the past weeks. He believes that the water is coming from the park and asked if the area around the homes could be regraded so the water could be channeled to the center of the park.

Hosek Park neighbor Phil Yust informed the Board that his backyard has been flooded many times since he purchased his home over a year ago.

President Austin informed the Board and the residents that she, Assistant Director Gock, and Executive Director Scheltens would be meeting with the Village staff on Friday, to review the situation.

Approval of consent agenda

President Austin asked the Board if they had any questions or comments. There being none, President Austin requested a motion to approve the consent agenda. Whereupon, on motion by Commissioner Draudt, seconded by Commissioner Barcelos, the consent agenda was approved. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Draudt, Barcelos, Sink, Fetzer, and Austin
Nays: None
Absent: None

Committee Reports

Finance/Personnel Committee

Commissioner Draudt informed the Board that Health Care Costs would be discussed during next year's budget planning process.

Aquatics Committee – No Report

Recreation Committee

Commissioner Fetzer informed the Board that Morgan has taken over all Maria Tobin's classes. Little Learners Preschool classes begin on September 2nd, and all the classes are full. The fall brochure has been launched, and registrations have been coming in.

Assistant Director Gock reminded the Board that the Commissioners needed to complete Bassett Training to serve alcohol for the fall fest.

Assistant Director Gock informed the Board that she and Executive Director Scheltens have begun the search for a new Superintendent with pool experience. This new hire would be in place by January to begin the paperwork process for the 2026 pool season.

Maintenance/Safety Committee

Commissioner Barcelos informed the Board that he would be volunteering his time to re-design the landscaping in front of the Lions Park Pool. He will be meeting with Brett Roberts, Landscape Specialist, for landscaping plans for Steeves and Blackhawk Parks as well as the Community Center.

Superintendent of Parks, Blake McMahon, informed the Board that all the soccer goals would be installed by Thursday. Interior work on the pool bathhouse was continuing, and the E-Bike/E-Scooter signage was ordered. He also ordered 4-inch PVC tubes and signage to recycle fishing lines around the Prospect Park ponds.

Executive Director Scheltens informed the Board that a proposal from Hitchcock Design will be presented next month for Athletic field improvements in Prospect Park. This proposal will be bid on in January, and construction will begin in late August after the season.

President's Report

Jim Leppert, IHC Construction presented an update on the pool renovations. Due to the rain, they were pumping out lots of mud. He said that a small portion of the commuter parking lot soil is settling, so the new pavement would hold off until the soil settles. The plumber was running pipes between the bathhouse and the new building.

The slide foundations would be installed in November, with construction shut down approximately in mid-January. Construction will resume in March.

Additional soil testing was required, and IHC Construction was recommending acceptance of the proposal from Testing Services Corporation in the amount of \$26,100.00 for the work. Whereupon, on motion by Commissioner Draudt, seconded by Commissioner Barcelos, approved by roll call vote. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Draudt, Barcelos, Austin, and Fetzer
Nays: None
Absent: Sink

Jim Leppert, IHC Construction, presented Lions Park Pool Change Order #2 for additional electrical work for Board approval. He was recommending McWilliams Electric Company, Incorporated, to perform the work in the amount of \$56,007.26. Whereupon, on motion by Commissioner Draudt, seconded by Commissioner Fetzer, the change order was approved by roll call vote. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Draudt, Fetzer, Austin, and Barcelos
Nays: None
Absent: Sink

President Austin presented Resolution R-2025-03, a Resolution Amending Clarendon Hills Park District's Purchasing Policy for approval. Whereupon, on motion by Commissioner Draudt, seconded by Commissioner Barcelos, the Resolution was approved. The roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Draudt, Barcelos, Fetzer, and Austin
Nays: None
Absent: Sink

There being no further business to come before this meeting, it was, motion by Commissioner Draudt, seconded by Commissioner Barcelos, adjourned at 8:48 p.m. by voice vote.

Park Board Secretary
