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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
CLARENDON HILLS PARK DISTRICT BOARD
COMMUNITY CENTER – 325 CHICAGO AVENUE
May 18, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01p.m. by Secretary Pro Tem Kathleen Jurczak.

The roll call was as follows:

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

Other Officials Present: Donald Scheltens, Executive Director
Katie Gock, Assistant Director
Blake McMahon, Superintendent of Parks
Lee Howard, Treasurer
Kathleen Jurczak, Secretary Pro Tem

Motion to Approve Kathleen Jurczak as Secretary Pro Tem. Whereupon, on motion by Commissioner Barcelos, seconded by Commissioner Draudt, the motion was approved.

The roll call was as follows:

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

Addresses from the Audience

None

Approval of consent agenda

President Austin asked the Board if they had any questions or comments. There being none, she 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, Fetzer, Sink, and Austin
Nays: None
Absent: None

Committee Reports

Finance/Personnel Committee

None

Aquatics Committee

Commissioner Sink informed the Board that there have been more hires for the pool. Superintendent of Recreation, Nicole Interrante informed the board that there are 70 kids signed up for the swim team, 175 signed up for swim lessons. She also informed the board she is working on training and lifeguard classes and orientations.

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Recreation Committee

Commissioner Fetzer informed the board that the staff were in the final stages of launching the RecTrac app. She also informed the board of the successful 4's graduation and of the enrollment for summer camps. The board was introduced to Julissa Mercado, who was in attendance. She introduced herself as the new recreation supervisor for seniors and culinary programs.

Julissa Mercado exited at 7:10 p.m.

Maintenance/Safety Committee

Blake McMahon, Superintendent of Parks informed the board that four summer seasonals are hired and trained, and they are working on mowing, fertilizing, and that a landscape contractor was hired for the main landscaping. He also informed the board that the pond aerators have been installed and are functioning. He also mentioned that the ponds are being treated for algae and invasive species by the contractor.

President's Report

President Austin informed the board that the heater from the dive well has not been working and staff are investigating solutions to have repaired. The. Jim Leppert, from IHC was present to address the board regarding the leak in the pool, it was discovered to be pipe that was no longer needed but was not capped, this has been corrected and the pool is now holding appropriate water levels.

Commissioner Fetzer asked about percentage of however many days the pool will be closed at the beginning of this season to how many days the residents will be reimbursed for. The board was also informed that due to the way RecTrac runs, it is not allowing the funds to be transferred as a donation to the park and that instead families will see credits applied to their RecTrac accounts.

President Austin mentioned a resident discussed adding windscreens to the tops of the new slide tower. Assistant Director Katie Gock informed the board that staff will investigate to see if this would have any effect on the structure.

Jim Leppert, IHC exited the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

President Austin informed the board that residents near the pool would like the parking lot lights adjusted, due to safety concerns and the fact that this is on Lion's Club property, this would not be feasible. Residents were also inquiring about trees being planted to block the dumpsters, offered to pay for the landscaping, but this would have to be checked with the Lion's Club as well.

President Austin mentioned that residents also informed her that the Norfolk field storage container needing to be replaced, President Austin that the request for replacement needs to come from the Little League.

President Austin informed the board that education training was completed for Safety Coordinator, Management and Compensation with Director Don Scheltens, Assistant Director Katie Gock, Superintendent of Recreation Nicole Interrante, and Superintendent of Park Blake McMahon. President Austin also informed the board that

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there are additional courses offered by PDRMA that staff will be enrolling in. Assistant Director Katie Gock, and Superintendent of Recreation Nicole Interrante are signed up for human resource training in October.

There being no further business to come before this meeting, it was, motion by Commissioner Barcelos, seconded by Commissioner Fetzer, adjourned at 7:34 p.m. by voice vote.

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

Park Board Secretary
