

Springfield Park District
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

John F. Linxwiler Administrative Office / Bunn Park
2500 South 11th Street / Springfield, IL

Wednesday, April 9, 2025
5:35 p.m., (following Special Board Meeting)

MINUTES

Roll Call:

President Sgro called the meeting to order.

Members Participating in Person:

President Sgro, Trustees, Eck, Rodgers, Westcott, Aiello, Theilen, and Hoogland

Members Available by Phone:

None

Members Unavailable:

None

Others Participating in Person:

Derek Harms, Executive Director, Stephen Flesch, Director of Finance & Administration; Jason Graham, Director of Parks and Planning; Nathan Essex, Director of Recreation and Marketing, Doug Bates, Accounting Supervisor, Park District Police Chief, Patrick Murphy, staff, and public.

Public Comment:

None

Long Range Planning
(Chair Hoogland)

1. **Playground Component Replacement Program**

Jason Graham, Director of Parks and Planning, presented to the Board different playground component replacement options and costs for Gietl Park.

2. **Lincoln Park Redevelopment**

Jason Graham, Director of Park and Planning, present to the Board and discussed the upcoming playground upgrade and new picnic shelters that will be installed at Lincoln Park as part of the FY25 OSLAD Grant

3. **Asphalt Overlay Project**

Jason Graham, Director of Parks and Planning, present to the Board and discussed a partnership with the city of Springfield on asphalt overly project to resurface aeras at Washington Park and Centennial Park.

4. **Equipment Purchase**

Jason Graham, Director of Parks and Planning, present to the board about purchasing equipment that will enhance the capabilities of the maintenance department, allowing for more effective upkeep of our parks.

Finance and Personnel

(Chair Theilen)

1. **Banking Services**

Stephen Flesch, Director of Finance and Administration, presented and discussed to the Banking Service options

Staff Updates

1. **Police Department**

Patrick Murphy, Park District Police Chief, updated the Board about the previous month's reports and discusses updates within the Police Department.

2. **Finance & Administration**

Stephen Flesch, Director of Finance & Administration, updated the Board about the FY26 Budget and updates for the Finance Department.

3. **Recreation and Marketing**

Nathan Essex, Director of Recreation and Marketing, updated the Board about the previous month's marketing events and about the different upcoming events planned for the 125th Anniversary.

4. **Parks and Planning**

Jason Graham, Director of Parks and Planning, updated the Board on the progress of projects that are finishing up, about upcoming projects, and projects that are currently underway.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, it
was moved by Trustee Westcott and seconded by Trustee
Theilen that the meeting adjourn at 5:47 p.m.