# MINUTES OF THE 2359th REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS AND OFFICERS OF THE WINNETKA PARK DISTRICT, WINNETKA, IL THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2019

President Archambault called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Mickey Archambault, Teresa Claybrook, Christina Codo, Colleen Knupp, Eric Lussen and John Peterson. Commissioners

Absent: Warren James.

Staff Present: John Muno, Executive Director; John Shea, Superintendent of Recreation; Christine Berman, Superintendent of Finance; Costa Kutulas, Superintendent of Parks; Mary Cherveny, Administrative Services Manager; Kelsey Raftery, Marketing Brand Manager, Rick Schram, Landscape Architect and Jesus Contreras, Parks and Facilities Maintenance Staff.

Audience Present: Lisa Kohr, Lisa Kaestle, Elizabeth Lane, Allen Welch, John Yasenak, Christine Yasenak, Karen Essig, Joan Vatz, Mara Vatz, Ted Becker, Tammy Becker, Robert Leonard, Marc Hecht, Elisha Gray, Jaime Garrigus, Patrick Limacher, Sandra Limacher, Chris Crone, Kim Handler, Vicki Apatoff, Emily Ciaglo, Nina Gray, Lawrence Yolles, Nancy Fox, Jack Cassin, Bridget Orsic, Kate O'Brien, Kim Marsh, Nicole Jakob, Sharon King, Christine Morse, Elizabeth Franzen, Barbara Williams. Anne Wilder, Sharon King, Debbie Ross, Bill Ryan, Janet Ryan, Don Smith, John Usenic, Kathy Vondran, John Vondran.

## ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

None

### APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS

Vice President Peterson made a motion to approve the May 2019 Financials as presented. Commissioner Claybrook seconded the motion.

Superintendent of Finance Christine Berman provided highlights including about budget \$239,766 net surplus, revenues are above year-to-date by \$129,000, golf revenues are under budget by \$160,000 and \$70,000 under last years, year-to-date. Superintendent Berman provided some rational behind the golf revenues, which included a number of day's carts were not able to be on the course and pass sales down. Commissioner Claybrook asked if temperatures effected play, which Superintendent Berman stated would also have an impact. Expenses are down \$364,000. Capitals are up due to delivery on vehicles ordered in 2018 but not delivered until 2019. Passed by voice vote.

### APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Vice President Peterson made a motion to approve the June 20, 2019 vouchers for \$1,061,718.56. Commissioner Codo seconded the motion. Commissioner Claybrook asked about the fraudulent charges, which Superintendent Berman explained was a Park District credit card. BMO Harris Bank has taken care of this matter. Superintendent Berman clarified that the Village Winnetka bills are a combination of electric, water and police detail. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Archambault, Claybrook, Codo, Knupp, Lussen, Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

### **REMARKS FROM VISITORS**

President Archambault made a brief statement about the proposed dog park including that it was not on the agenda this evening, the planned stakeholder/community engagement meetings and the online survey available on the Park District website. President Archambault instructed the audience that we would adhere to the 3-minute rule for remarks.

Resident Vicki Apatoff spoke about the historic oak savanna in West Elm Park (she provided a hard copy of her comments) and why West Elm Park should not be considered for a dog park. She proceed to read a letter from three past Park Board Presidents — Bob Linn, Angie Dahl and Joe Dooley (a hard copy provided) that noted the history of West Elm Park and the hope that the current Park Board will uphold the 1995 site rejection as a dog park.

Resident Karen Essig registered her opinion against a dog park in Crow Island Woods, which include environmental issues, stewardship plan, next to school, non-resident use, current park use. She also wanted to know why the landfill option was eliminated.

Resident Bill Ryan is not opposed to an off-leash dog park, but is opposed to it at West Elm Park, Crow Island Woods or any other area that impact homeowners. Is opposed to the process and shared his concerns about criteria and site visits. He also could not find mission statement on the website.

Resident John Vondran also is not opposed to a dog park, but suggested these sites are bad. Did his own research on dog parks and feels that Park District research was incomplete. He felt that our approach should have been similar to the process Glencoe Park District undertook. As a resident of Euclid Avenue he feels that people will not park in designated parking but on Euclid Avenue and since it is a dead-end, people will also have to turn around in resident driveways, thus kids could not play in driveways. He is also concerned with property values.

Resident Barbara Williams presented a petition to the Park Board with 445 signatures against creating a dog park at West Elm Park, She read the petition which outlined the reasons against this potential action. She asked the Park District to go back to the drawing board and find a better solution.

Resident Elizabeth Franzen has an eight-year-old daughter who plays in Crow Islands as well as walks through the park to get to school. She would be impacted by the creation of a dog park since she is frightened of large dogs, barking dogs and big groups of dogs. This will create the inability for her daughter to use the park. She is concerned we are prioritizing dogs over children.

Resident Anne Wilder discussed the petition against creating a dog park at West Elm Park. The petition sends a strong message that cannot be ignored. She discussed the process and support behind the face-to-face engagement of the one-month petition drive. The signatures on the petition are from not only the West Elm Park neighbors, but community members as well. Environmentally sensitive areas, a park near a school and in a neighborhood, is not a suitable location for a dog park. Asked that West Elm Park be removed from consideration.

Resident Jamie Garrigus spoke against a dog park in Crow Island Woods but stands in solidarity with West Elm Park neighbors. Opposed on many levels, but spoke on the safety of her children. The dog park will be a disruption to daily life of nearby residents. Concerned about "arbitrary criteria" for the dog park and stated some of the Chicago guidelines for a dog park. Based on the Chicago guidelines neither Crow Island Woods or West Elm Park are suitable locations. As a patron of the Park District she has had the best experiences and respect, so it took her off guard by the introduction of the proposed dog park, how it was handled and the rushed process.

Resident Kim Handler would love a dog park, but not at the expense of giving up some of the last beautiful green space, nor at the expense of my fellow residents property values and nor due to the numerous reasons already shared tonight. Shared her thoughts on the two current dog park surveys (Park District and Caucus) and its flaws. Caution the Commissioners to consider this when reviewing results. Her additional point is the perceived urgency based on other priorities through town. Asked the Park District to pursue non Park District properties including the Village landfill and Forest Preserve District property.

Resident Debbie Ross opposes a dog park in a residential neighborhood. Expressed her thoughts on the process, timeline and communication. Concerned about the potential elimination of the dog beach. Feels it was a short period to evaluate 33 sites. Urged the Park Board to go back to the drawing board and look for a location outside a residential area.

Resident Nancy Fox, a 40-year resident, after hearing individuals speak feels there is no good location. Expressed that Winnetka Park District process should be similar to the one Glencoe Park District initiated. Did not know about the proposed dog park until she bumped into someone who quoted Anne Wilder.

Resident Kristine Moore agrees with what everyone has said about both parks. Suggest the Park District look how this would affect Park District usage of these parks. Need to directly contact all residents around parks as this would impact property values.

Resident Bob Leonard added that a portion of West Elm Park is in a federally designed flood plain, so the property should be excluded from consideration. Flooding would increase to surrounding property owners if dog park was built at West Elm Park. He provided a one-page handout on some research he did regarding local dog parks and provided an overview of his research. He felt that there is no answer, it can't be built here. The solution exists within the Cook County Forest Preserve.

Resident John Usenic, a 50-year resident of Winnetka is miffed at the Park District for proposing a dog park at West Elm Park and not informing him. He shared the history of proposed and failed action at West Elm Park, including affordable housing, playground and now dog park.

Resident Sharon King is a 54-year resident of Winnetka. Sent a letter via email to each member of the Park Board on June 13 outlining her concerns for placing a dog park at West Elm Park. West Elm Park is not a viable location for an off-leash dog park.

Former Resident Mara Vatz shared her personal history and connection to Crow Island Woods. A dog park at Crow Island Woods would ruin the peace and serenity. The wetland area is unsuitable. Also asked if the Park District has completed an ecological impact survey of the property. She wondered if the urgency to find a dog park due to possible plans to close the dog beach. She does not believe there is transparency about future plans for the dog beach.

Resident Elizabeth Lane spoke in favor of a dog park in Winnetka. There are many liked minded who did not attend tonight as it was not on the agenda. She commends the Board for seeking input and as you analyze the feedback either for or against a dog park that you pay attention to the underline premise. This will help inform your decision. A dog park will get people out to your green space and fits in the mission. Dogs bring people of different backgrounds together.

Resident Kate O'Brien is a teacher. Is not in favor of either site because it would be unsafe for children afraid of dogs and disruptive to the learning environment due to noise.

Resident Lisa Kaestle agrees with most information shared this evening. Crow Island Woods also is an Oak Savana like West Elm Park and an important ecological asset. Even Cook County Commissioner Larry Suffredin made it a condition to be left alone in his stormwater MOU with the Village. Also asks that the August 22 timeline be pushed back as it is prime vacation time. Does not feel that the Park District has been transparent about the future of Centennial Beach, but asks that as long as it is a dog beach, that the north and south ends be secured.

Resident Elisha Gray thanked the Board for listening tonight and their service. Feels we should actively re-engage the Forest Preserve District and the site would be well received by the community as suitable alternative. Ask the community for support in the pursuit of the Forest Preserve land and work with surrounding communities.

Resident Lisa Cohr feels it is sad the the Park District has pitted neighborhoods against each other. No one wants a dog park in their backyard. Come to consensus, that a residential area is not a proper site for a dog park. Feels that Centennial Park could be a suitable site for a dry dog park. Friends of Crow Island Woods has started a petition and has over 90 signatures since launched 24 hours ago.

Resident Jack Cassin based on comments tonight is hopeful that we do not need to do eight more meetings. A dog park taking up 60% of West Elm Park seems a misappropriation of resources and it is upsetting. Spare us time and legal costs and put it to bed.

Resident Janet Ryan agrees with everything stated this evening, especially the last comment. It is clear West Elm Park and Crow Island Woods is unsuitable sites for a dog park. Does not understand why either park was considered in the first place. It is nice to have a dog park but we all have to prioritize. Believes the Park District should focus on the beaches, which are in bad shape.

Resident Alan Welch is a daily dog park user. Invited people to stop by the dog beach and see how pleasant it is. The water is high and now there is not a lot of beach. Just asking for a little more, a dry spot. Help us out.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Claybrook made a motion to combine the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes, the Annual Meeting Minutes of May 9, 2019 and the Regular Park Board Meeting Minutes of May 16, 2019. Commissioner Codo seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Archambault, Claybrook, Codo, Knupp, Lussen, Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Lussen made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Vice President Peterson seconded the motion. Passed by voice vote.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

President Archambault stated that the Park Board has received a number of communications regarding the proposed dog park. Those communications, and any future ones have been or will be initially responded to and incorporated in the feedback phase of the upcoming stakeholder/community engagement meetings.

Commissioner Lussen said that it is great the responses that have been sent out. For those that take the time to communicate we get a prompt response out. Vice President Peterson asked if there is a way to adjust the topics discussed at the upcoming stakeholder/community engagements, which may include the Willow/Hibbard and the Forest Preserve sites. Commissioner Claybrook also agreed, and stated that many residents feel that we disregarded the other 31 site, which was not the case. Showing the criteria and chart might be important to the engagement process. There was continued conversation about the process, discussing the two site, but also alternatives, plus sharing information behind the elimination of other sites.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# 2018 Audited Financial Statements

Superintendent Berman introduced Ron Amen, from Lauterbach & Amen, LLP to review the Audited Financial Statements for 2018. Mr. Amen discussed the process to get to the finished audit. Highlights included the eleventh consecutive year of achieving the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, the audit opinion was "clean", positive fund balance increase of \$647,079 under government funds and a positive fund balance increase of \$142,910 in the propriety funds (enterprise funds). President Archambault asked if they found anything different from previous year. Mr. Amen said the process is to look at it independently

every year. Under the management letter, there is a recommendation to address GASB Statement No. 74 and 75.

# **Approval of Annual Audit**

Commissioner Claybrook made a motion to accept the comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018 as presented. Vice President Peterson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Archambault, Claybrook, Codo, Knupp, Lussen, Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

# 2018 Treasurers Report

Superintendent Berman presented the 2018 Treasurer's Report. It is a filing report, which is a summary of the revenues and expenditures for 2018 that ties to the audit. No action is required by the Park Board.

## **NTHS Hockey Agreement**

Vice President Peterson made a motion to approve the New Trier High School Hockey Affiliate Agreement for the 2019-2022 seasons as presented. Commissioner Lussen seconded the motion.

Executive Director John Muno provided a brief update on the NTHS Hockey and the WHC Agreements. Both agreements are similar from the past and are three-year agreements. Commissioner Lussen asked if they both maintain their own liability insurance, which was confirmed and also indemnifies the Park District. Commissioner Codo asked about the rates and Executive Director Muno that WHC receive some discounts due to volume. Commissioner Codo asked if they are both bound by our conduct rules, which staff will follow up on. There was a brief continued discuss about conduct and rules. Vice President Peterson asked if we have any other ice time to sell. Executive Director Muno stated only non-prime time ice is available. Commissioner Knupp asked about the summer program, which Executive Director Muno stated Glenview is renting our ice during their renovation. This will be an increased revenue source for this summer. Commissioner Lussen indicated though his conversations with Facility Manager Paul Schwartz, that there is only 2 hours of prime ice time available this summer after the rentals. Commissioner Knupp suggested that monitoring Winnetka participation may determine interest in staying open year round. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Archambault, Claybrook, Codo, Knupp, Lussen, Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

### WHC Agreement

Commissioner Lussen made a motion to approve the Winnetka Hockey Club Affiliate Agreement for the 2019-2022 seasons as presented. Vice President Peterson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Archambault, Claybrook, Codo, Knupp, Lussen, Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

# Policy Manual Review: Chapter 7

Superintendent Berman provided an overview of the adjustments made to Chapter 7 of the policy manual. 1<sup>st</sup> reading will be July 25 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading/adoption will take place on August 22. Changes can be made up to the adoption. Commissioner Claybrook asked about the automatic on check signatures, which Superintendent Berman explained the process, which included a board member review of checks over \$1000. Commissioner Knupp asked about the significant changes, which Superintendent Berman said some were procedural and some were required adjustments. Vice President Peterson asked if Superintendent Berman checks with other Park Districts on best practices, which she positively confirmed. Executive director Muno reminded the Park Board about Superintendent Berman's experience and making policy recommendations that better fit the procedures.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## Board Recognition of Past Commissioner, Ian Larkin

President Archambault recognized the formal Commissioner Ian Larkin with a resolution, which was approved in May. A plaque highlighting his accomplishments was presented. The entire Park Board congratulated him on his serve. Former Commissioner Larkin thanked everyone.

## Policy Manual Chapters 8-13 (1st Reading)

Commissioner Claybrook made a motion to approve the first reading of Chapters 8-13 of the policy manual as presented with a second reading/adoption placed on the July 25 agenda. Commissioner Lussen seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Archambault, Claybrook, Codo, Knupp, Lussen, Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## Winnetka Waterfront 2030 – Lakefront Master Plan Update

Superintendent of Parks, Costa Kutulas provided an update on the closing out of the IDNR Bluff planning grant and the kick-off meeting on the next phase of work on bluffs, which includes bid documents for the work along all five lakefront parks. Superintendent Kutulas also provided a brief update on the planned shoreline work and process for Lloyd Beach. The permit submittal timeline is the end of July. Community engagement is built in the the permit process.

Commissioner Lussen asked about the beach conditions after the recent high wave alerts. Superintendent Kutulas indicated that we are still losing bluff at the south end of Lloyd and some of the trees will need to come down, in consultation with Village Forester, Jim Stier.

Commissioner Claybrook stated that the Maple Street boardwalk looks awesome. She has received many favorable comments. She also commented that Wilmette's Langdon Beach has been closed due to significant erosion and that our efforts for saving the beaches is critical.

Vice President Peterson commented on the all-time high water levels and future expectations. Superintendent Kutulas stated that the Army Corp. of Engineers predicts that it will continue to

rise another foot to 18 inches. Staff will have to keep an eye on it and manage the situation. Commissioner Lussen pointed out an article about this in the Chicago Tribune. Vice President Peterson sought clarification on the wall repairs planned, which Superintendent Kutulas clarified was along the drive at Lloyd. Vice President Peterson asked about fast-tracking permits, which Executive Director Muno said could be explored once the permit was submitted, especially related to the seawall. Vice President Peterson asked how the other beach shorelines are doing, which Superintendent Kutulas said that all beaches have been effected with Tower Road Beach being the least effected due to topography. Superintendent of Recreation, John Shea stated that Elder Lane Beach has been closed several times already this summer due to safety concerns. It will continued to be monitored. Vice President Peterson asked about any risk to our sailing/boating programs, which Superintendent Shea outlined the precautions in place and the knowledgeable lakefront staff. For those local boaters not launching at our beaches we have buoys and markers in our beach areas. Commissioner Lussen said that boaters at Diversey Harbor cannot get their boats out. Commissioner Claybrook asked about the beach drop-off at Tower Road, which Superintendent Shea indicated was similar to last year. The swim zone buoys have been moved in closer to the shore right now.

President Archambault stated that hot weather is on the way and the beach staff will be busy, but knows they are well trained and ready for the challenge. President Archambault asked Superintendent Kutulas if we are on track with our lakefront plans, which Superintendent Kutulas indicated that we are about a month behind. This is mainly due to contracts needed to get signed and subcontractors in place. He believes that we will be able to catch up and provided examples of ways to make that happen. Executive Director Muno said staff will come back with an updated timeline. President Archambault suggested that we share information about upcoming lakefront plans, which Executive Director Muno clarified that Marketing Brand Manager, Kelsey Raftery, has compiled an entire communication plan. This plan will be shared at the July Board meeting. Manager Rafferty shared that the primary focus will be on education and why this work is being done.

#### MATTERS OF THE DIRECTOR

Executive Director, John Muno provided a brief update on the NSSRA facility acquisition plan and that staff will be sharing more information at the July Board meeting. This will include the financial impact and the down payment for the close on the property. President Archambault asked is the due diligence on the building has been completed, which Executive Director Muno confirmed. Closing will be in August.

### **BOARD LIAISON REPORTS**

Vice President Peterson reported that Winnetka Parks Foundation continues to pick up steam. Staff coordination is appreciated, especially around the July 4<sup>th</sup> campaign. Openings for the July 4<sup>th</sup> party are still available with \$400 donation to the Foundation.

Commissioner Claybrook reported positively on the District #36 graduation party and the Park District staff support. The caucus survey has closed and she looks forward to working even closer with the caucus next year to have a better alignment with the Park District plans. Vice President Peterson concurred that the questions were not an accurate representation. There was a brief discussion about the survey process. President Archambault stated that putting together a survey is hard.

Commissioner Codo provided a New Trier High School update, including graduation numbers, and the IGA with the Village of Winnetka on stormwater along with the ancillary planned improvements. There was some continued discuss on what was a part of the stormwater IGA and the school has planned for improvements. Additionally, New Trier presented a 95 million dollar budget and discussed their mission statement.

President Archambault provided a brief stormwater update. The process continues to progress but there is still work to be done. Once there is further develop of the WPD requests for consideration in an IGA, it will come back to the Park Board for review/approval. Commissioner Codo would like to see the District get full credit for the pending Boal Parkway transfer. Vice President Peterson commented that New Trier and the Village process was about 18 months to put together an IGA, while the Park District was on hold. The Park District is only a couple months in the negotiation process. He does not anticipate an 18-month process. President Archambault stated that this has been a positive process from both the Park District and the Village sides.

### **REMARKS FROM VISITORS**

Resident Nina Gray wanted to reiterate moving date of dog park discussion off the August 22 agenda due to people being out of town. Suggest moving to September.

Resident Kim Handler requested some fence maintenance be done at the dog beach and there was an exposed pipe that needs to be buried. Let us not give up on Cook County Forest Preserve as a viable solution to a dog park. If you more forward with the dog park meetings explain to the community why this is a priority. A little concerned about Park District vs. Village. Both are here to serve the taxpayer. Residents write on check for property taxes so would feel better if there is less we vs. them.

Resident Vicki Apatoff stated that through perseverance we can make something happen with the Cook County Forest Preserve District, similar to the Village stormwater issue. The location would be perfect. Revisited the current history of the request for a dog park at the December Board meeting until now, comparing the audience request size with those opposed in attendance today. Noting that those in attendance tonight are twice the size of the group in December. She is concerned about transparency and making all information available to the public. Would like the community engagement meetings moved from West Elm Park and Crow Island Woods to a neutral site (a copy of her remarks was provided).

Resident Don Smith provided positive feedback on the improvements to the Maple Street Beach boardwalk and the Lloyd attendant's station. The attendant's station provides a more

professional look for the operations.

Resident Elisha Gray consulted the Board to include plans for Centennial Dog Beach in our discussions with the community. I'm not sure how many people would be in favor of closing the dog beach.

Resident Anne Wilder thanked Vice President Peterson for his suggestion to broaden the scope, but caution because the upcoming engagement meetings has been advertised as looking at West Elm Park and Crow Island Woods. She thinks that not having the engagement meetings at this point would be best. People are really upset and don't understand the process. People need to work together to find a suitable solution for the dog park. No more division in this town.

Resident Lisa Cohr wants the community to be united and not divided by this issue.

Resident Barbara Williams believes pooling local communities together and approach the Forest Preserve collectively.

### STAFF UPDATES

Marketing Brand Manager, Kelsey Raftery reported on the recent "Communicators" meeting, the old halfway house has been wrapped and is the new attendant station at Lloyd Launch and getting ready for the Fourth of July.

Superintendent of Finance, Christine Berman stated we are done with the audit and will be working on the budget.

Superintendent of Parks, Costa Kutulas reported on playing catch-up due to all the rain, annual bed plantings, Crow Island Stewardship Plan, special event assistance and good seasonal staff. He also stated that parks employee Jesus Contreras, who attended this evening, just celebrated 25 years with the Park District.

Superintendent of Recreation, John Shea reported on the Memorial Day parade, beach openings and conditions, Day Camps, Fourth of July, 5K race, Movie in the Park, Wednesdays in the Woods and Father's Day Brunch. President Archambault stated that the entire staff works hard on the Fourth of July, which he believes is the best event in town. Vice President Peterson also spoke on our financial and staff investment with the Music Festival. Superintendent Kutulas outlined the staff time spent.

Superintendent Shea also stated we would work with the Glencoe Park District for their resident to utilize Maple Street and Elder Lane beaches on July 4<sup>th</sup>, since their beach will be closed for their fireworks.

Administrative Services Manager, Mary Cherveny confirmed Board participation in the Fourth of July parade. There was some continued discuss around Fourth of July celebration.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Vice President Peterson made a motion to go into Closed Session for the purpose of reviewing closed session minutes pursuant to the Open Meetings Act. Commissioner Lussen seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Archambault, Claybrook, Codo, Knupp, Lussen, Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried

At 8:13 p.m., Commissioner Claybrook made a motion to return to Open Session. Vice President Peterson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Archambault, Claybrook, Codo, Knupp, Lussen, Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

#### **OPEN SESSION**

Commissioner Claybrook made a motion to release the 12/18/18 closed session minutes as recommended. Commissioner Lussen seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Archambault, Claybrook, Codo, Knupp, Lussen, Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Claybrook made a motion to dispose of the tapes of the 6/22/17 and 12/14/17 closed sessions as recommended. Commissioner Lussen seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Archambault, Claybrook, Codo, Knupp, Lussen, Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Upon further discussion regarding the proposed dog park, the Board consensus was to prioritize for consideration the Village Landfill property along Willow Road and the Cook County Forest Preserve property known as Erickson Woods. The current timeline will be adjusted and no longer include a targeted decision at the August 22 Board meeting. A future date to be determined, when appropriate and will be communicated to interested residents.

President Archambault is also interested in any property value research in proximity to a dog park. There was continued discussion regarding the community interest in this potential project, based on the 2016 survey of unmet need.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Claybrook made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Commissioner Knupp seconded the motion, which passed by a voice vote. Motion carried.

Mickey Archambault, Board President

John Muno, Board Secretary