

Lan Oak Park District  
Committee of the Whole Meeting  
September 18, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Tropp. The following were present: Commissioners Lewis, Shaffer, Aguilar, Tropp. Absent: Kelly. Staff Present: Senior Superintendent of Strategy & Operations Desjardins, Superintendent of Park & Maintenance Havran. Guests: Diane and Rich Lund, Jeffrey Morden, Bill Albrecht, and Corrie Frank.

**Communications & Addresses from the Audience:** Diane Lund spoke to the committee about the importance of preserving the Monarch butterfly and how the park district may help by limiting some mowing in the summer. Bill Albrecht reported to the committee that an incident occurred in the fitness center when a staff member incorrectly cut off some member padlocks on lockers. Mr. Albrecht also complained that one of the televisions in the fitness center is not working.

**Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:** None.

**Senior Superintendent of Strategy & Operations – Report:** Desjardins reported on the projects still scheduled for completion this fall – the Park Plaza, Rotary Park swings, new bleachers at Lan-Oak Park, new amenities for the Playskool patio, Erfert Park parking lot and entry – that the audit is complete and ready for approval, that the bond issue is progressing, that funds have been transferred for the Park Plaza project, that Playskool started with a good number of enrollments, that enhancement programs have been added to Playskool, that fall programming began on September 5 and already had 369 enrollments, and that school flyers have resumed. The committee was updated on recent issues with the South Suburban Special Recreation Association, the staff recommended solution to the July 3 issues was reiterated, the Ethics Committee will be meeting in October and the members require reappointment, and Citizen Comment Forms were reviewed.

**Superintendent of Parks and Maintenance – Report:** Havran updated the committee on the progress of the fitness center projects, the recreation locker replacement, the plans for the Playskool patio, the status of the bike share program, the upcoming removal of the Oakwood Park playground, the installation of a security light at Lions Park, the new bleachers for Lan-Oak Park, the completion of the maintenance garage painting. Havran reported on the details of the Park Plaza project, the upcoming Erfert Park parking lot, the scheduled maintenance of the bike path. Fitness and aquatic program enrollment and membership numbers were reviewed.

**Recreation Committee – No Report**

**Buildings & Grounds Committee – No Report**

**Planning Committee – No Report**

**Finance & Personnel Committee – No Report**

**Bike Path Committee – No Report**

**Special Projects Committee – No Report**

**Old Business – None**

**New Business – None**

There being no further business. Motion by Lewis to adjourn the meeting. Second by Aguilar. Upon roll call the following voted “aye”: Shaffer, Lewis, Aguilar, Tropp. No nays. Motion passed

Adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sharon Desjardins  
Board Secretary  
Senior Superintendent of Strategy & Operations