

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OAK LAWN PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners of the Oak Lawn Park District was convened in a Regular Meeting on February 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. with Vice President Johnson presiding.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Boland, Donahue, and Johnson

Absent: Buschbach and Coughlin

A quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Finance Meeting of January 9, 2023**

Boland moved, Donahue seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: All

Nay: None

**Regular Meeting of January 9, 2023**

Boland moved, Donahue seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: All

Nay: None

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD/CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Volunteers of the Month – St. Linus Men’s Club**

The honoree for the month of December 2022 is Evan Panther. Evan volunteered recently at the Turkey Shoot in November 2022 as well as the Flashlight Candy Cane Hunt in December 2022. Evan is an eighth grader at Simmons Junior High. Both supervisors that ran the Turkey Shoot and the Flashlight Candy Cane Hunt described Evan as a volunteer with a positive attitude who acted very professionally. Evan was an asset to both of these events, and it is hoped that he continues to volunteer with Oak Lawn Park District. Thank you Evan!

**Special Olympics State Winter Games**

The five individuals that we would also like recognize today all attended the Special Olympic Illinois State Winter games. These athletes competed January 31<sup>st</sup> through February 2<sup>nd</sup> at Chestnut Mountain and Eagle Ridge Resort in Galena Illinois.

With over 125 athletes competing in events including snowshoeing and downhill skiing, these five athletes competed to the best of their ability. These winter games athletes competed in 50, 100, 200, and 800 meter snowshoe competitions as well as our athlete who is an alpine skier.

**Competition outcomes:**

- Jessica Nowicki, Silver in the 50-meter snowshoe, & 5<sup>th</sup> place on the 100- meter snowshoe.
- Jennifer Nowicki, 5<sup>th</sup> place in the 100-meter snowshoe & 6<sup>th</sup> place in the 50-meter snowshoe.
- Joe Coffelt, Silver medal in the 200-meter Snowshoe & 4<sup>th</sup> place in the 800-meter snowshoe.
- Taylor Schaar, Gold medal in the 200-meter snowshoe and 4<sup>th</sup> place in the 100-meter snowshoe.
- Johnny Damme, Silver medal in the Alpine Slalom and Bronze medal in the Alpine Giant Slalom.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**FINANCE REPORT:**

Donahue moved, Boland seconded to approve the payables of \$1,414,378.34 for the period of January 1, 2023 to January 31, 2023.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:** None

**Display of FY' 24 Budget**

Law requires that the budget be put on display for public inspection for 30 days before final approval. During this time the district can still make minor changes to the proposed budget before it is finally adopted.

Staff asked the Board to approve the proposed budget be placed on display for 30 days.

Boland moved, Donahue seconded to approve the budget on display.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

**LEGAL:** None

**APPROVAL OF BIDS OVER \$30,000:** None

**MATTERS OF THE DIRECTOR:**

Hartwig stated that he had the opportunity to see the theatre production of Cinderella on Friday night. Hartwig said it was a wonderful performance and could not be happier that all eight productions were completely sold out. Hartwig made mention of Cinderella's transformation dresses and could not believe the magic that came to life on the stage. Hartwig thanked the entire cast, crew and set designers for doing such a wonderful job creating this production.

Hartwig stated that the next theatre production is Spongebob the Musical and tickets are currently on sale. Show dates for this production are March 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>.

Hartwig said that resident registration for the Spring season started last week and on the first day of registration there was over \$50,000 in revenue. Hartwig stated that non-resident registration will be next Monday.

Hartwig discussed a recent meeting with School District 122 and park district staff. Hartwig said the purpose of the meeting was to go over current partnerships with the school as well as to explore new partnership opportunities.

Hartwig discussed Central Pool renovations and how things are starting to wrap up.

Hartwig stated that he and fellow staff members recently attended an Internship Fair at Illinois State University. Hartwig stated that it was nice trip and looks forward to seeing who applies for our internships.

Hartwig stated that the functional fitness space at the Pavilion is now completed. This space allows for more personal training and compliments the fitness area well. Hartwig also stated that the Pavilion is currently promoting their fitness membership sale. Staff are hopeful that membership sales will be higher than last year.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Johnson thanked Jacqueline Canty, Special Recreation Supervisor, for all of her efforts with the Salute to Veteran's program.

Johnson said the new garbage cans across the district may be a little change but they are making a big difference. Johnson thanked the Maintenance Department for getting those delivered to the district's facilities and parks.

**MATTERS OF THE COMMISSIONERS:**

Boland apologized for not attending the IAPD/IPRA Annual Conference this year.

Boland stated that she has heard nothing but phenomenal reviews regarding the theatre production of Cinderella. Boland congratulated the entire cast and crew for a job well done.

Boland made mention of Stony Creek's financial numbers looking good for the simulator rentals.


Donahue stated that he attending the IAPD/IPRA Annual Conference again this year and he learned a lot from the sessions he attended. Donahue stated that he looks forward to next years conference.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Donahue moved, Boland seconded to adjourn at 7:18p.m.

Voting: Aye: All  
Nay: None

Respectfully submitted,

  
Daniel Johnson, Vice President

  
Tracey Gallardo, Recording Secretary