

# Vernon Hills Park District Sullivan Community Center- Aspen Room Decennial Local Government Efficiency Committee Meeting April 25, 2024

#### Minutes

# 1. Call to Order

Commissioner Robbins called the meeting to order at 5:17 pm.

# 2. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Robbins, Giraldo, Jacobs, Committee Member Snyder. Committee Member

Kading arrived at 5:21.

Absent: Commissioner Doerhoefer, Commissioner Sente

Staff: Jeff Fougerousse, Lacy Marinenko, Tom Ritter, Mark Fleishman, Jessica Mitchell, Cheryl

Buhmann, Amy Darling.

#### 3. Public Comment

Commissioner Robbins stated that the Committee would now hear remarks from the public. Remarks will be limited to three minutes and no response will be given. No remarks were heard.

4. Old Business - None.

# 5. New Business

# A. District Strategic Plan

Committee Members Kading and Syder received the District Strategic Plan in advance of the meeting and were asked to provide and comments or concerns. Both committee members found the report to be comprehensive and informative.

No comments of note by Committee Member Kading. Committee Member Snyder complimented the district on efforts to incorporate more conservation efforts into a long-term plan. She also offered her assistance to the district when planning or brainstorming efforts to develop outdoor education and nature programs. Discussion took place on the current and future efforts of the district to obtain sponsorship and grant funding. Jeff noted that sponsorship funding for special events allowed the district to increase the return to the Family Scholarship program which receives any event surplus. Member Snyder was also complimentary of the efforts to broaden the district Volunteer program thereby giving community members the opportunity to participate.





# B. Park District Board Policy Manual

Committee Members Kading and Snyder received the Park District Conduct Ordinance in advance of the meeting and were asked to provide and comments or concerns.

No comments of note by Committee Member Kading. Committee Member Snyder inquired as to the current ordinance establishing speed for e-bikes on district paths and the difficulty the forest preserve has in this area.

# C. Park District 2024-2028 Comprehensive Plan

Committee Members Kading and Synder received the Plan in advance of the meeting and were asked to provide and comments or concerns. They were also informed that the Park Board of Commissioners would be approving this plan at tonight's regular park board meeting. Both committee members found the plan to be well written. Committee member Snyder asked how often the plan is reviewed and updated. Jeff explained that the plan is updated every 10 years and contains subject matter that has been identified within community input surveys and listening sessions.

- 6. Resident Survey there were no residents in attendance. Jeff noted the next and final meeting of the committee will take place on August 22, 2024 at 5pm. Committee Member Snyder inquired whether the district would be providing a copy of the final report due to the County. The report will be provided and minutes from each meeting are available on the district website.
- 7. Adjournment

Upon proper motion and second the committee meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.





