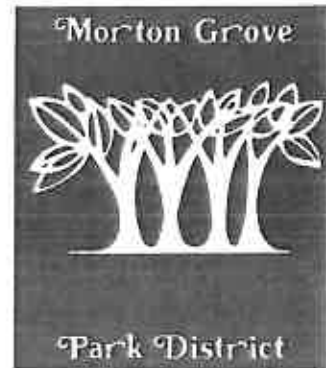


# Morton Grove Park District

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**Minutes of the 765<sup>th</sup>  
Morton Grove Park District  
Board Meeting Held on  
June 17, 2015**

- I. **Roll Call:** President Staackmann called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
  
- II. **Commissioners Present:** Eileen Coursey, Dominick Burdi, Dan Ashta, Mark Manno, and Dan Staackmann  
**Commissioners Absent:** None  
  
**Staff Present:** Marty O'Brien; Interim Executive Director, Greg Jayne; Superintendent of Parks and Facilities, Mike Hayes; Superintendent of Recreation and Claudia Marren; Executive Administrative Assistant  
  
**Guests Present:** Eric Poders; the Morton Grove Voice/resident, Georgianne Brunner, Terri Cousar and Pat Zmolek; The Morton Grove Days Commission, Barbara Novak; The Morton Grove Library, Jason Myers and Jeff Wait
  
- III. **Additions or Deletions/Changes to the Agenda:** None
  
- IV. **Citizens Comments/Correspondence:** Eric Poders thanked the Park District for the Committee of the Whole packet he received, however he did note that the packet was not posted on the new website. He felt the public would like to see the packet to review the information if they wanted to discuss an issue. Commissioner Staackmann replied that policy and procedures would be addressed.
  
- V. **Action Items:**
  - a. **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Manno to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on May 6, 2015. **Ayes: Commissioner Coursey, Burdi, Ashta, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**  
Commissioner Ashta made a motion seconded by Commissioner Burdi to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole held on May 6, 2015. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Ashta, Manno, Coursey and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**  
Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi to approve the minutes of the Executive Session held May 6, 2015. **Ayes: Commissioner Manno, Coursey, Burdi, Ashta and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held on May 20, 2015. **Ayes: Commissioner Coursey, Burdi, Ashta, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**b. Approval of Financial Reports:**

1. Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi to approve the Budget Report and Cash on Hand, dated May 31, 2015.
2. The voucher listed dated June 17, 2015, in the amount of \$122,871.61, subject to audit. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Ashta, Manno, Coursey and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**VI. Director's Report:** Interim Director O'Brien stated the Park District is looking forward to being the Grand Marshall at the Fourth of July parade.

**VII. Attorney's Report:** No report.

**VIII. Unfinished Business:**

**Administration and Finance Committee: Commissioner Ashta, Chair**

**Prevailing Wage Ordinance #O-04-15:** Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance #O-04-15 as enacted by the State of Illinois. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Ashta, Manno, Coursey and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**Commissioner General Practices Manual Update:** Commissioner Ashta made a motion seconded by Commissioner Burdi to approve the updates to the Board of Commissioners General Practices Manual. At this point Commissioner Ashta stated that he objects to the section pertaining to the Pledge of Allegiance on constitutional grounds however he is aware that the majority of the Commissioners feel differently. He also stated he would like to make an amendment that if we approve these updates to hold off on printing and distributing the manual until after the July meetings, because there may be additional changes. He then amended the motion, Seconded by Commissioner Staackmann, to accept the updates to the Board of Commissioners General Practices Manual, and if it is approved; the changes will not be published until after next month's Board meeting. **Ayes: Commissioner Ashta, Manno, Staackmann. Nays: Coursey. Abstain: Burdi. Motion carried.**  
The main motion to approve the changes to the Board Manual which was discussed at Committee: **Ayes: Commissioner Manno, Coursey, Burdi, Ashta and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**Donations, Gifts and Bequests Policy:** Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi to accept the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee that the Park Board of Commissioners approve the new Donations, Gifts and Bequests Policy. Commissioner Ashta noted he suggested several items to add that were not discussed in Committee. Upon review, none of the Commissioners objected to the changes. **Ayes: Commissioner**

**Coursey, Burdi, Ashta, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**Disposal Ordinance #O-05-15:** Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi, to approve Ordinance #O-05-15 for the disposal, donation, trade-in, or sale of listed items and authorize the Park Board President and Secretary to execute said ordinance. **Ayes: Burdi, Ashta, Manno, Coursey, and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**Executive Director Search:** As Commissioner Ashta began to state the motion, Attorney Rock noted the topic was not listed on the agenda and therefore no action could be taken. It was agreed to table the motion.

**Morton Grove Days:** Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Manno to approve the use of the 6210 Dempster property during the 2015 Fourth of July weekend celebration, July 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 4<sup>th</sup>. At this point Commissioner Ashta reiterated per a memo, that foot traffic is fine, however heavy equipment would be restricted. Also Commissioner Manno stated for the record that he is, and has been for years a member of the Morton Grove Days Commission, as a non-paid volunteer position for the Morton Grove Days Commission which is a 501-3C organization and conducts no financial transactions in any way with any members of this Board. Commissioner Ashta stated he thought it was a great opportunity and activity that will promote local businesses and as an advocate for village cooperation, whether governmental or non-governmental to stimulate local business he thinks it is a great activity. **Ayes: Commissioner Manno, Ashta, Burdi and Staackmann. Nays: Coursey. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi for the Board of Park Commissioners to approve the use of the property directly behind the Haupt-Yehl House that is the north side, to seat six people for the Historical Society Fourth of July fireworks raffle. **Ayes: Commissioner Manno, Burdi, Ashta and Staackmann. Nays: Coursey. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi for the Board of Park Commissioners to approve the use of the Prairie View Community Center to house a high school marching band for one night, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, for the 2015 Fourth of July celebration with the understanding that the Morton Grove Days Commission agrees to pick up the employee direct cost and will provide proof of insurance. Commissioner Manno stated that technically it would be July 4<sup>th</sup> for they are arriving at 1:30 a.m. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Ashta, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: Coursey. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**Open Meetings Act (OMA), Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Officers:** Commissioner Ashta made a motion, seconded by

Commissioner Burdi to accept the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee to approve Martin O'Brien and Claudia Marren as the OMA Officers, Martin O'Brien and Claudia Marren as the FOIA Officers and Greg Jayne and Mike Hayes as the ADA Officers. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Ashta, Manno, Coursey and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**Recreation and Facility Program Committee: Commissioner Coursey, Chair**  
**District 219 Gymnastics Agreement:** Commissioner Coursey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burdi to approve, as an amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement, the new Morton Grove Park District and School District 219 Gymnastics Agreement. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Ashta, Manno, Coursey and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**Financial Aid Policy:** Commissioner Coursey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ashta to accept the recommendation of the Recreation and Facility Program Committee to limit financial aid to Day Camps, Kinder Odyssey, Gap, B4/BASE and Pre-School Programs only and to update the Financial Aid Policy to reflect the changes. **Ayes: Commissioner Ashta, Manno, Coursey, Burdi and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**Club Fitness and PVCC Hours of Operation:** Commissioner Coursey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ashta to accept the recommendation of the Recreation and Facility Program Committee to approve the new Prairie View Community Center and Club Fitness hours. Commissioner Burdi voiced his opinion that closing down 1 hour earlier for the summer would be terrific however he would like that hour to be reinstated come fall. He then amended the motion to increase the hours back to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, the first weekend in September. The amended motion was seconded by Commissioner Ashta. Commissioner Ashta stated that he trusts the analytics that staff presented, and he is more inclined to rely on the information and change the hours permanently. Commissioner Burdi stated that if we are looking for more memberships we should do our homework properly and advertise the longer hours and then maybe more patrons would work out later in the day. We need to let people know we are open and get the message out. He hopes with the new Director we can turn around Club Fitness. He doesn't think it is healthy to take away a benefit. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi and Staackmann. Nays: Coursey, Ashta and Manno. Motion failed. The vote on the original motion: Ayes: Commissioner Coursey, Ashta, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: Burdi. Absent: 0. Original motion carried.**

**Comprehensive Revenue Policy:** Commissioner Coursey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ashta to accept the recommendation of the Recreation and Facility Program Committee to approve the new Comprehensive Revenue Policy. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Ashta, Manno, Coursey and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**IX. New Business:**

Commissioner Staackmann made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ashta to hold a Special Meeting on Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. for the Executive Director search. Commissioner Burdi asked if we could do it sooner, Attorney Rock stated the agenda must be posted 48 hours in advance. A discussion took place and it was agreed to have the meeting Friday at 6:40 p.m. Commissioner Burdi made an amendment to the main motion, seconded by Commissioner Ashta, to change the time to 6:40 p.m. Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. **Ayes: Commissioner Coursey, Burdi, Ashta, Manno and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. The vote for the main motion: Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Manno, Coursey and Staackmann. Nays: Ashta. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

At this time Commissioner Burdi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ashta to waive the fees for housing the marching band. Attorney Rock noted you cannot vote on an item that is not on the agenda. Commissioner Staackmann made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ashta to table Commissioner Burdi's motion to the Special Meeting on Friday. **Ayes: Commissioner Burdi, Ashta, Manno, Coursey and Staackmann. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.**

**X. Commissioner Comments:**

**Commissioner Coursey: No comment.**

**Commissioner Manno:** The first concert was last night, it was well attended and he enjoyed it.

**Commissioner Burdi: No comment**

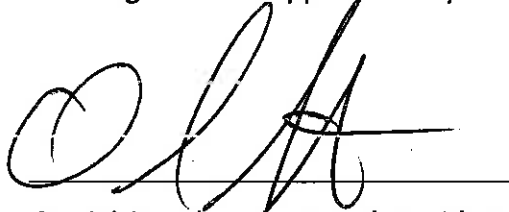
**Commissioner Ashta: No comment**

**Commissioner Staackmann:** Stated he appreciated the patience and cooperation the Board has shown.

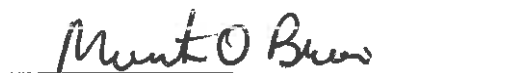
**XI. Adjournment:**

Commissioner Staackmann made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting ended at approximately 6:36 p.m.



Daniel Staackmann, Board President



Martin O'Brien, Board Secretary