

**WESTCHESTER PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS  
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
January 13, 2025, at 7 P.M.  
Westchester Community Center  
10201 Bond Street, Westchester, Cook County, Illinois**

**Call to Order:**

President Busa called the meeting to order at 7pm

**Roll Call**

Commissioner Marianne Nagl – here; Commissioner Derek Gordon – here; Commissioner Daniel Maldonado- absent; Commissioner Joseph Christopher – here; President Steven Busa – here

Also present were: Executive Director Lianne Robinette; Board Secretary Laura Ball; Attorney Vlado Vranjes

**Audience**

Leann Pettis

**Correspondence to the Board**

none

**Public Comments**

no public

**Meeting Minutes**

There were no questions or changes to the December 2, 2024, Committee Meeting Minutes and the December 9, 2024, Committee and Board Meeting Minutes

**Finance**

The financial statements are now caught up to December 2024. The name of the Park District on the cover page is incorrect and needs to be updated.

**Building & Grounds Committee**

Commissioner Gordon stated the new LED lights have been installed at Mayfair Park. There will not be ice skating at High Ridge because of the new park equipment. There was a bill from Upland since they are helping to finalize the grant paperwork in connection to the High Ridge project. Lee Kaufman has reached out about doing a Bike Rodeo on Park District property. The Bike Rodeo helps teach bike safety. The commissioners agree this event can be held on Park District property and the Park District will advertise.

**Community Center Committee**

In Commissioner Maldonado's absence Executive Director Lianne Robinette gave the report. Basketball started on Friday. Early Childhood passed health department inspection. Discussion on the Easter Pancake Breakfast. Commissioner Gordon stated the Knights of Columbus may be able to financially

contribute. The Westchester Food Pantry would like to help with the Pancake Breakfast in 2026. Commissioner Christopher stated maybe the Advisory Committee could help with the Breakfast.

#### **Mayfair Recreation and Banquet Center Committee**

Commissioner Nagl stated the floors have been redone at Mayfair and the fitness classes are back.

#### **Policy Committee**

Commissioner Christopher stated he met with Westchester Baseball to go over the new policies. The banner policy will not go into effect until 2026.

#### **Director's Report**

Executive Director Lianne Robinette stated the employees will start coding bills to the accounts advised by the accountants.

#### **Attorney's Report**

Nothing to report currently

#### **President Report**

President Busa stated there was nothing at this time.

#### **Old Business**

Nothing at this time

#### **New Business**

Discussion on joining the West Central Municipal Conference. Commissioners agree this is a good idea- there are a lot of opportunities, and it is budgeted for. The Westchester Food Pantry and the WPTC are requesting an ordinance waiver request for their events – "Articles for Sale".

At 8pm President Busa requested a recess.

Back from recess at 8:15pm

Discussion on Celebrate Westchester and holding the event at Mayfair. The Westchester Chamber of Commerce will be working with the Village on the event since it is the 100-year anniversary of Westchester. They are asking for an in-kind sponsorship to use Mayfair Banquet. April 5<sup>th</sup> is a possible date. They would like a dance floor, DJ area and bar area. Commissioners are concerned about the number of people that can be invited since the limit would be approximately 160 people. The Commissioners advised Lianne to speak with someone to explain the restrictions and rules of having a large event at Mayfair. Maybe they have the event in the summer under a large tent-that way they can invite more people to the event.

#### **Executive Session**

Motion to enter closed session under 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance and dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel and under 5ILCS 120/2(c)(21) to review minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act and to discuss whether those minutes should remain confidential.

Motion by: Commissioner Gordon

Second by: Commissioner Nagl

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Gordon, Nagl, Christopher, and Busa MOTION CARRIED

**Motion to Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn the Committee Meeting was made by Commissioner Nagl and seconded by Commissioner Christopher.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Commissioner Nagl – aye; Commissioner Gordon – aye; Commissioner Christopher – aye; President Busa – aye MOTION PASSED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm.



**Steven M. Busa, Board President**



**Laura Ball, Board Secretary**

Date: 2-10-25