

**MANHATTAN PARK BOARD**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Hansen Community Center**  
**397 South State Street, Manhattan IL**  
**Date: September 8, 2022            Time 7:00 pm**

**Regular Scheduled Meeting**

**Call to Order:** 7:01 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Bridget Hope, President, Kristy Byers, Vice-President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, Barbara Epps, Secretary and Ed Ludwig, Commissioner

**Absent:**

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Regular Scheduled Meeting**

**1. Changes to the Agenda:** None

**2. Public Comment:** None

**3. Communications:** None

**4. Presidents Report:** President Hope thanked staff towards their dedication and time for the Hanover Estates Park Development and for making the dedication a success. She thanked staff providing reports tonight for their efforts on the reports. She stated the data, and the narratives are great insight to the programs.

**5. Staff and Committee Reports:**

- a. Senia Chavez: Summer Camp Report:** Recreation Supervisor, Senia Chavez, presented a report on the performance of the 2022 Summer Camps.
- b. Jake Kaplan: Spring Youth League Report:** Recreation Supervisor, Jake Kaplan, presented a report on the performance of the 2022 Spring Youth Leagues.
- c. Evan Vogt: Special Event Report:** Recreation Supervisor, Evan Vogt, presented a report on the outcomes of the 2022 Summer Special Events.
- d. Executive Director:** Director Kelly outlined the operations of the district for the month. He included details from all areas of the organization. He specifically brought the board up to date on the status of events, programs, and general maintenance. Director Kelly specifically discussed the purchase of the new dump truck, upcoming election procedures and events.
- e. L-Way Special Rec:** Director Kelly updated the board on the pending Crete Park District membership and that the organization may be repaying part of the COVID money received from the federal government.
- f. Village Government Agency Meeting:** Meeting to be held next week
- g. Foundation Committee:** Committee is heavy in Wine Fest planning. Director Kelly asked President Hope about volunteers from the rugby group.

6. **Action and Motion requested: Move to approve August 2022, Treasurer's Report including the payment of bills in the amount of \$264,589.19, which may include lodging and travel expenses.**

**Motion:** Kristy Byers-First, Barbara Epps-Second

**Roll Call:** Bridget Hope, President, Kristy Byers, Vice-President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, Secretary, Barbara Epps and Ed Ludwig, Commissioner

Motion approved 5-0

7. **Consent Agenda:**

- a. **Action and Motion requested: Move to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:**

- i. **August 18, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes**
- ii. **August 18, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes Closed Session**

**Motion:** Joe Farkas-First, Ed Ludwig-Second

**Roll Call:** Bridget Hope, President, Kristy Byers, Vice-President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, Secretary, Barbara Epps and Ed Ludwig, Commissioner

Motion approved 5-0

8. **Old Business**

- a. **Hansen Community Center Updates:** Director Kelly provided a status update on the renovation project.
- b. **Important Dates:**
  - i. **September 17, 2022: Run for the Round Barn**
  - ii. **September 17, 2022: Winefest 2-8 p.m.**
  - iii. **October 29, 2022: Trick or Treat Trail @ Round Barn Farm 12-2 p.m.**
  - iv. **December 2, 2022: Round Barn Winter Fest Special Needs Hour 4-5 p.m.**
  - v. **December 2, 2022: Round Barn Winter Fest 5:30-10**

9. **New Business:**

- a. **Action and Motion requested: Motion to report on Review of Closed Meeting Minutes:** Vice-President Kristy Byers motioned to report on the Review of Closed Meeting to release certain closed session minutes as no longer needing to be confidential including, 11/15/2018, 12/13/2018, 1/10/2019, 12/12/2019, 2/13/2020, 3/12/2022, 9/10/2020, 11/12/2020, 12/10/2020, 3/11/2021, 9/9/2021, 11/11/2021, and 12/9/2021. The need for confidentiality for all other minutes remains.

**Motion:** Kristy Byers-First, Joe Farkas-Second

**Roll Call:** Bridget Hope, President, Kristy Byers, Vice-President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, Secretary, Barbara Epps and Ed Ludwig, Commissioner

Motion approved 5-0

- b. **Action and Motion requested: Move to approve RESOLUTION 22-7 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND APPROVING OSLAD GRANT PROGRAM RESOLUTION OF AUTHORIZATION FOR IVANHOE PARK**

**Motion:** Joe Farkas-First, Kristy Byers-Second

**Roll Call:** Bridget Hope, President, Kristy Byers, Vice-President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, Secretary, Barbara Epps and Ed Ludwig, Commissioner

Motion approved 5-0

- c. **Discussion Item: Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act:**  
Director Kelly and legal counsel updated the board on the Local Government Efficiency Act explaining that a committee will need to be formed and meet three times prior to deadline.

**10. Motion to Adjourn for Executive Session for the following purpose: None**

- a. **Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) for the purpose of discussing:**
  - (1) The employment, discipline, and performance of specific employees.
  - (2) Collective negotiating matters.
  - (5) The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired
  - (6) The setting of a price for sale or lease of property.
  - (11) Pending or probable litigation.
  - (21) Approval or semi-annual review of closed meeting minutes.

**12. Next Meeting: Regular meeting held, October 13, 2022, at the Hansen Community Center at 7:00 p.m.**

**13. Final Adjournment:**

- a. **Motion Requested:** Barbara Epps- First, Joe Farkas-Second
  - b. **Vote:** Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Motion Passed 5-0
- Adjournment 8:15 p.m.**