

**Foss Park District
Committee Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER Commissioner Wyatt called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL

Board members present: Commissioner Carmecia Hawthorn, Commissioner Donna King, and Commissioner Vance Wyatt

Board members absent: Commissioner Johnny Johnson and Commissioner Kingston Neal

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. J & J Homes LLC – garden (August 2024): Commissioner Wyatt stated the garden will be a planter box style. Mr. Boyson agreed and stated the area would be kept clean and tidy.
2. Rollover bond information: Anthony Micelli of Speer Financial presented bond information for levy.

COMMITTEE/STAFF REPORTS

1. *Business Office*

- a. Director report: Ms. Cowart report: Ms. Cowart submitted written report with updates through emails.
- b. Business Manager report: Mr. Skof report: Mr. Skof submitted written report and reviewed bond payment dates, roof completion at the Community Recreation Center; tax levy hearing will need to be held at the December meeting, but may be held at November meeting, working on Community Pass and getting a quote for the network printers.

2. *Parks*

- a. Superintendent of Grounds: Mr. Winter report: Mr. Winter stated staff is working on clearing leaves, the ADA path at Twin City is complete and three dead trees have been removed at Angel Park with two more needing to be done.

3. *Golf*

- a. Manager/Golf Pro report: Mr. Monroe report: Mr. Monroe reported upcoming events include a tailgate for the Bears game, the Saturday before Thanksgiving PADS will feed the homeless, golf tournament/lunch November 9. Commissioner Hawthorn asked about fish fry, DJ and would like card nights on Fridays and Saturdays. Mr. Monroe reported numbers and stated the Clubhouse could be used for cards. Commissioner Wyatt asked about the EV charging station and Mr. Monroe stated he is still investigating.

4. *Recreation*

- a. Superintendent of Recreation: Ms. Hall report: Ms. Hall reported she attended good classes at NRPA and upcoming events include Breakfast with Santa, Haunted Trail at Twin City and Haunted House at the Community Recreation Center. Commissioner King asked about the stage doors and Ms. Hall is investigating alternatives.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

1. Ms. Sharon Epps: Ms. Epps commended the Board on new park equipment, thanked them for their vision and dedication.
2. Ms. Donna Kolinowski: Ms. Kolinowski stated flyers should be at the Community Center to increase participation.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Wyatt stands the meeting adjourned with no objections at 6:39 pm.

This record is not verbatim.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kari Cowart, Board Secretary

**Foss Park District
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Wyatt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Board members present: Commissioner Carmecia Hawthorn, Commissioner Donna King, Commissioner Kingston Neal and Commissioner Vance Wyatt

Board members absent: Commissioner Johnny Johnson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE waived as recited in the Committee Meeting

1. MINUTES: Commissioner King motions to approve Committee Meeting, Executive Session and Regular Meeting (09/18/2024) and Special Meeting and Executive Session (09/23/2024). Second by Commissioner Neal.

Aye: Commissioner Hawthorn, Commissioner King, Commissioner Neal, and Commissioner Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Johnson

MOTION CARRIES

2. BILLS: Commissioner King motions to approve monthly bills: invoices paid (09/13/2024-10/11/2024): \$304,120.60, invoices due \$49,082.36, invoices to be paid by credit card at approximate \$16,842.94 and first of the month bills (November) – approximate: \$21,522.00 as presented. Second by Commissioner Neal.

Aye: Commissioner Hawthorn, Commissioner King, Commissioner Neal, and Commissioner Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Johnson

MOTION CARRIES

3. PAYROLL: Commissioner King motions to approve monthly payroll of \$111,135.38 as presented. Second by Commissioner Hawthorn.

Aye: Commissioner Hawthorn, Commissioner King, Commissioner Neal, and Commissioner Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Johnson

MOTION CARRIES

4. PETTY CASH REPORTS: none

5. FINANCE REPORTS & COMMISSIONER REPORTS: Commissioner King motions to approve finance reports and Commissioner Reports as presented. Second by Commissioner Hawthorn.

Aye: Commissioner Hawthorn, Commissioner King, Commissioner Neal, and Commissioner Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Johnson

MOTION CARRIES

6. COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

FINANCE: COMMISSIONER WYATT: as presented in the Committee Meeting.

GOLF: COMMISSIONER JOHNSON: as presented in the Committee Meeting.

PARKS: COMMISSIONER HAWTHORN: as presented in Committee Meeting.

RECREATION: COMMISSIONER KING: as presented in the Committee Meeting.

*see above

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Approval: J & J Homes LLC – garden (August 2024)

Commissioner King motions to approve J & J Homes LLC – garden (August 2024). Second by Commissioner Hawthorn.

Aye: Commissioner Hawthorn, Commissioner King, Commissioner Neal, and Commissioner Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Johnson

MOTION CARRIES

8. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approval: Staff attendance at IAPD Legal Symposium, November 7, 2024 in Oak Brook, IL
Commissioner King motions to approve Staff attendance at IAPD Legal Symposium, November 7, 2024 in Oak Brook, IL and Commissioner attendance at IAPD Legal Symposium, November 7, 2024 in Oak Brook, IL at an estimated cost of \$1,000.00 per participant. Second by Commissioner Hawthorn.

Aye: Commissioner Hawthorn, Commissioner King, Commissioner Neal, and Commissioner Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Johnson

MOTION CARRIES

2. Approval: Commissioner attendance at IAPD Legal Symposium, November 7, 2024 in Oak Brook, IL at an estimated cost of \$1,000.00 per participant.

*see above

3. Approval: bond payment due November 15, 2024 – 2023 rollover bond in amount of \$433,019.04 payable to the Lake Forest Bank and Trust.

Commissioner King motions to approve bond payment due November 15, 2024 – 2023 rollover bond in amount of \$433,019.04 payable to the Lake Forest Bank and Trust, bond payment due December 15, 2024 – Alternate Bond series 2021B in amount of \$166,150.00 payable to the Bank of New York Mellon and an ordinance providing for the issue of approximately \$427,695 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2024, for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting the same and the existing land and facilities of the Park District, to provide the revenue source for the payment of certain outstanding alternate bonds of the Park District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchase thereof. Second by Commissioner Hawthorn.

Aye: Commissioner Hawthorn, Commissioner King, Commissioner Neal, and Commissioner Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Johnson

MOTION CARRIES

4. Approval: bond payment due December 15, 2024 – Alternate Bond series 2021B in amount of \$166,150.00 payable to the Bank of New York Mellon.
*see above

5. Approval: an ordinance providing for the issue of approximately \$427,695 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2024, for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting the same and the existing land and facilities of the Park District, to provide the revenue source for the payment of certain outstanding alternate bonds of the Park District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchase thereof.
*see above

9. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

1. Mr. Bryan Oglesby: Mr. Oglesby stated Google shows the meeting at 7 pm and he is there to support the elected officials.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Wyatt stands the meeting adjourned with no objections at 7:05 pm.

This record is not verbatim.
Respectfully Submitted,
Kari Cowart, Board Secretary