

**Chicago Heights Park District
Rescheduled Meeting Minutes
Park District Board of Commissioners
November 17, 2025
6:00: p.m.**

Meeting Called to Order: The Regular Board meeting of the Chicago Heights Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call: Upon roll call, the following board members were recorded present: Commissioner Foston, Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Guzman and President Mangiaracina. Commissioner Horta and Commissioner Straczek were recorded absent. A quorum was established.

Approval of Rescheduled Board Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve the Rescheduled Board Meeting minutes for November 17, 2025, by Commissioner Foston, seconded by Commissioner Guzman. Discussion None: The following ayes were recorded: Commissioner Foston, Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Guzman and President Mangiaracina. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Michele Baikauskas presented the Treasurer's Report. On a motion to accept the Financial Report by Commissioner Baikauskas and seconded by Commissioner Foston. Discussion None: The following ayes were recorded Commissioner Foston, Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Guzman and President Mangiaracina. Motion passed.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Foston: No Report

Commissioner Horta: Absent

Commissioner Robinson: No Report

Commissioner Baikauskas: Joint Ward Meeting on November 24, 6:00pm at Roosevelt School and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Commissioner Straczek: Absent

Commissioner Guzman: Enjoyed the Park Districts and Townships Trunk or Treat.

President Report: The great pumpkin paint off winners were announced and Thanked the Park District, Union Street Gallery, and Bloom High School Students. Lions Club announced the International Piece Poster contest winner. Thanked everyone for the November 11th Veterans Day event. Coffee with Commissioner Straczek will be November 20th from 2:00-6:00 at Thornwood Apartments. Saturday December 13th is the Holly Jolly Christmas event at the Recreation Center, Commissioners let us know if you will be attending the IAPD Conference early registration ends November 26th.

Superintendent Report: Commissioners Park construction is on schedule. Doors and Keyless entry systems are ordered from the DECO Grant for \$50,000. Parks and buildings are winterized and closed. Sunday November 16th is the last day the Golf Courses will be open. TV Monitor in the lobby will display Park District information and another TV has been ordered for the opposite side. A meeting was held with SD170 concerning recruitment and programming. Third quarter strategic goals are included in your Board Packet.

Attorney's Report: No Report

Public Participation: No Public Participation

Old Business: None

New Business:

Presentation Simple Truth Graphics: Rhonda Kotot and Kim Terzis from Simple Truth Graphics gave the board a presentation on their company and services.

Submission of Bills: On a motion to pay the bills for October 2025, by Commissioner Baikauskas, seconded by Commissioner Foston. Discussion None: The following ayes were recorded: The following ayes were recorded Commissioner Foston, Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Guzman and President Mangiaracina. Motion passed.

Motion to approve a donation for the Illinois ODP Soccer Program: by Commissioner Foston, seconded by Commissioner Guzman. Discussion concerning the amount to donate and a motion was made to donate \$800.00 to the Illinois ODP Soccer Program. The following ayes were recorded Commissioner Foston, Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Guzman and President Mangiaracina. Motion passed.

Motion to Approve 2023 Audit: by Commissioner Guzman, seconded by Commissioner Foston. Discussion None: The following ayes were recorded Commissioner Foston, Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Guzman and President Mangiaracina. Motion passed.

Motion to approve the preliminary estimate of the 2025 property tax levy (collected in 2026) in the amount of \$1,406,250.00 in accordance with the Truth in Taxation Law of Illinois: by Commissioner Baikauskas, seconded by Commissioner Robinson. Discussion None: The following ayes were recorded Commissioner Foston, Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Guzman and President Mangiaracina. Motion passed.

Motion to Approve the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Morton Arboreum Tree Grant to Yellowstone Landscape LLC.: by Commissioner Guzman, seconded by Commissioner Robinson. Discussion on notification of awarded bid within 30 days: The following ayes were recorded Commissioner Foston, Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Guzman and President Mangiaracina. Motion passed.

Adjournment: On a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. by Commissioner Guzman, seconded by Commissioner Foston. Discussion None: The following ayes were recorded Commissioner Foston, Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Baikauskas, Commissioner Guzman and President Mangiaracina. Motion passed.

Secretary

Date