



**Fox Valley Park Foundation Board of Directors  
Meeting Minutes**

October 18, 2023 4:00PM

Cole Center 101 W. Illinois Ave., Aurora

**1.0 Call Meeting to Order**

Chairman Kelsey called the meeting to order at 4:00PM

**2.0 Introduction of New Directors**

Director Pilmer reported that as a result of the newly amended and approved bylaws, there has been a reorganization of the Board of Directors. LuAnne Kelsey, Travis Andry, Karen Nelson, and Larry Shepard were appointed and approved to the Foundation Board of Directors by the Board of Commissioners on September 18, 2023. Brenda Hernandez was also introduced as the fifth member of the Foundation Board and her appointment will be approved on October 23, 2023. Director Pilmer also stated that there will be an election of officers at the first Foundation Board meeting of 2024.

**3.0 Roll Call**

Chairman Kelsey directed the Board Secretary to take attendance by roll call. The following members of the Fox Valley Park Foundation Board of Directors were present: Travis Andry, Karen Nelson, Larry Shepard, and LuAnne Kelsey. Also present: Executive Director Pilmer, Brenda Hernandez, Directors Halverson, Ijams, Kramer, Michael, Palmquist, Paprocki, and Chief Lapp, Deedee Buscher, Jennifer Rackmyer, Katie Kulakowski, Rafael Martinez, Carter Patton, Holly Wiggins, and Lynn Piotrowski.

**4.0 Addenda to the Agenda**

None presented.

**5.0 Reports**

**5.1 Executive Director's Report**

Director Pilmer reported on the following:

- At the October 23, 2023 Board of Commissioners meeting, the 2024 FVPD budget will be presented. There will also be a public hearing of a bond sale. The Budget will be approved on December 11, 2024.
- The FVPD is financially stable with many planned capital projects over the next 5 years.

**5.2 Business Development Report**

Kyle Halverson reported the following on behalf of Rachel Ossyra:

- There were 26 applications through the Parker's Foundation grant program totaling \$73,000 in programming requests.

- In 2022, \$90,000 was awarded in FVPD Scholarships which equates to 849 participants in in-house programming.
- Revenue reporting:
  - Golf for Kids \$120,000
  - Memorial Benches \$10,500
  - Memorial Trees \$6,300
  - LIV Golf \$12,000
  - Partnerships \$18,000
- In-Kind Donations:
  - Quality Logo Products \$2,600 value
  - Amazon Fulfillment \$151,740 value
  - Collier Community Center \$17,910 value
  - WeatherTech \$132

### **5.3 Financial Report**

Jennifer Paprocki reported on the following financial information:

- As of 9/30/2023 the Foundation had \$578,985 cash on hand
- There were \$67,760 in donations and contributions revenue, plus \$118,928 from GFK
- There was \$66,488 in expenses which includes \$43,651 from GFK
- There are \$434,723 in 18 restricted funds. Some of these funds have served their purpose and the remaining balances will be discussed at the November meeting, and if approved, will be moved to unrestricted or realigned with other programming.

## **6.0 Continued Business**

### **6.1 Recap of 2023 Grant Programming Data**

Jaime Ijams introduced several Recreation managers who presented a summary of their respective 2023 grant funded programs, all of which were deemed successful.

Veterans Luncheon \$1,000-Jennifer Rackmyer, Preschool Playgroups \$1,500-Deedee Buscher, Early Childhood-On the Road \$2,500-Carter Patton, The Boxing Club Program \$10,000-Rafael Martinez, Sports Saturday \$10,000-Katie Kulakowski, Parker's Foundation Scholarship Program \$50,000-Katie Kulakowski.

## **8.0 Adjournment**

Karen Nelson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Travis Andry. Voice voting Aye: Travis Andry, Karen Nelson, Larry Shepard, and LuAnne Kelsey. Voting Nay: none, and the meeting was adjourned At 4:48PM.

*Respectfully submitted by:*



*Kim Nooncaster  
Board Secretary*