

**MANHATTAN PARK BOARD**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Hansen Community Center**  
**397 South State Street, Manhattan IL**  
**Date: August 10, 2023**                      **Time 7:00 pm**

**Regular Scheduled Meeting**

**Call to Order:** 7:07 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Bridget Hope, President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, and Barbara Epps, Secretary

**Absent:** Kristy Byers, Vice-President, Ed Ludwig, Commissioner

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

1. **Changes to the Agenda:** None
2. **Public Comment:** None
3. **Communications:** President Hope read aloud a thank you card from Representative Anthony DeLuca for the use of Central Park.
4. **Presidents Report:** President Hope thanked staff for their efforts and the wonderful reports keeping the board informed.
5. **Staff and Committee Reports:**
  - a. **Executive Director:** Director Kelly updated the board on the current operations of the district, covering Parks, Recreation and Administration. Director Kelly included updates on projects, programs, and events.
  - b. **L-Way Special Rec:** Director Kelly stated he would be attending the golf outing on the 11<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. **Village Government Agency Meeting:** Director Kelly stated the report was included in the packet.
  - d. **Foundation Committee:** No Report
6. **Action and Motion requested: Move to approve the July 2023, Treasurer's Report including the payment of bills in the amount of \$116,818.06 which may include lodging and travel expenses.**

**Motion:** Barbara Epps-First, Joe Farkas-Second  
**Roll Call:** Bridget Hope, President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, and Barbara Epps, Secretary  
Motion approved: 3-0
7. **Consent Agenda:**
  - a. **Action and Motion requested: Move to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:**
    - i. **July 20, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Motion:** Joe Farkas-First, Barbara Epps-Second  
**Roll Call:** Bridget Hope, President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, and Barbara Epps, Secretary  
Motion approved: 3-0

**8. Old Business**

- a. **Dog Park Update:** Director Kelly and the board discussed most recent communications from the Village stating that they would prefer to maintain the plan as presented using the smaller area of the Metra Property vs. the larger area.

**9. New Business:**

- a. **Action and Motion Requested: Move to approve RESOLUTION 23-11 A  
RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND APPROVING OSLAD GRANT PROGRAM  
RESOLUTION OF AUTHORIZATION FOR IVANHOE PARK**

**Motion:** Joe Farkas-First, Barbara Epps-Second

**Roll Call:** Bridget Hope, President, Joe Farkas, Treasurer, and Barbara Epps, Secretary

Motion approved: 3-0

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

**11. Closed Session Action Items:** None

**12. Next Meeting:**

- a. **Regular meeting held, September 14, 2023, at the Hansen Community Center at 7:00 p.m.**

**13. Final Adjournment:**

- a. **Motion Requested:** Joe Farkas, First, Barbara Epps-Second
  - b. **Vote:** Aye: 3 Nay: 0 Motion Passed 3-0
- Adjournment:** 7:49 p.m.