



**Village of Lincolnwood
Park and Recreation**

**Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 10, 2025
6:15pm**

**Council Chambers
Lincolnwood Village Hall – 6900 North Lincoln Avenue**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Tucker: The meeting was called to order at 6:15PM.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING

Chairperson: Courtney Tucker

Park Board Commissioners Present: KJ Malca, Victor Shaw, Laura Tomacic, Art Lovering, Leah Brennan

Village Board Liaison: Grace Diaz Herrera

Parks and Recreation Department Staff: Michelle Artis, Alex Tagle

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE APRIL 8, 2025, BOARD MEETING.

On motion Tucker approves the meeting minutes of April 8, 2025, Park and Recreation Board Meeting. 6-0, motion passes.

AYES: Tucker, Tomacic, Malca, Shaw, Lovering, Brennan

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

III. PUBLIC FORUM/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Recommendation Regarding Community Center Rental Policy

Artis: Presents information from the memo included in the Board Packet

Board Discussion: A discussion followed among the Park and Recreation Board and the Parks and Recreation staff.

On motion, Brennan makes a motion to vote to pass the suggested policy changes with the added detail that the 501(c)(3) if they are selling anything, is selling only items directly related to the organization. Seconded by Tomacic. Motion passes 4-2.

AYES: Malca, Tucker, Brennan, Tomacic,

NAYS: Lovering, Shaw

ABSTAIN: None

B. Recommendation Regarding Herbicide and Pesticide Use in Lincolnwood Parks

Artis: Presents information from the memo included in the Board Packet

Board Discussion: A discussion followed among the Park and Recreation Board and the Parks and Recreation staff.

On motion, Lovering makes a motion to recommend using natural lawn care and weed control methods in the parks, confirming with Public Works, and starting to move forward as recommended by staff. Seconded by Brennan. Motion passes 6-0.

AYES: Malca, Tucker, Shaw, Tomacic, Brennan, Lovering

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

On motion, Lovering moves to have more information come forward from Public Works as to what the cost of this process of natural lawn care and weed control would be to the Village, and if it will be cost-prohibitive or whether we can move forward. Seconded by Brennan. Motion passes 6-0.

AYES: Malca, Tucker, Shaw, Tomacic, Brennan, Lovering

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

On motion, Brennan moves that the Parks and Recreation Board bring to the Village Board the issue of using pesticides and herbicides within Village Parks. Seconded by Malca. Motion passes 6-0.

AYES: Malca, Tucker, Shaw, Tomacic, Brennan, Lovering

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Artis:

- GG Rowell hardscape was removed, and leveled, improving the aesthetics
- Goebelt Park design was revised it and includes only a playground and two basketball courts. A public meeting was held on June 2, 2025
- Looking for Volunteers for Lincolnwood Fest this year, it is on July 24-27
- Adopt a Path Program offers local groups and organizations the chance to care for a section of the Valley Line Trail, Union Pacific Path, or Centennial Park Trail; four clean ups per year for over 2 years.
- Flowers Park sidewalk expansion was completed last week, this improved the entrance to the north side of the park and from the Valley Line Trail
- Privacy screens were installed at the Proesel Park Family Aquatic Center, around the kiddie park fence.
- Proesel Park playground is currently closed for maintenance, the wood/timber has deteriorated and all of it is being replaced this week
- Central Park Tennis Courts were repainted and Pickleball lines were added, they look great
- Field 3 renovations are taking place this week and will be completed like Field 2 was last year improving and increasing the ability to play and dries faster and after it rains and dries quicker and after it rains the teams are able to use the fields.

VII. STAFF REPORT

Tagle:

- Senior Programming is going well. A couple of weeks ago they went to the Botanic Gardens and had lunch at PF Changs and had 28 seniors
- Next big trip is June 25th, they are doing the Architecture River tour with 48 seniors attending
- Youth programs are underway and have good registration numbers; notably one of our soccer classes has 18 kids
- Prepping for Family Tent entertainment for Fest, everything is booked and ready; we are excited to welcome some new performers

- Medals and Bibs have already been designed and ordered for Turkey Trot, coming up to 5 months out from Turkey Trot
- Camp staff training is going on this week
- Camp starts on Monday
- Pool is open
- Great staff of seasonal employees
- Men's softball is back on Sundays and is going well.

VIII. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Tucker:

- Memorial Day Parade and service were beautiful!
- Thank you to Commissioner Brennan!

IX. COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

Brennan:

- Thank you, guys, it's been wonderful!

X. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:03PM

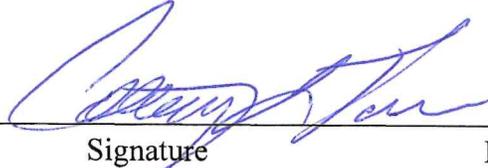
Motion to adjourn: Shaw/Tomacic

AYES: Tucker, Tomacic, Malca, Shaw, Lovering, Brennan

NAYS: None

Park Board Minutes prepared by Kim Voulgarakis

Park and Recreation Board Chairperson:

 8/12/2025
 Signature Date