

**STERLING PARK DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
November 18, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Reyes called the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00 P.M. on November 18, 2024; at the Duis Recreation Center.

**ROLL CALL:**

<b>COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:</b>	Aitken Egert Hippen Reyes Stutzke
<b>COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:</b>	None
<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PRESENT:</b>	Schuldt
<b>DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND PLANNING:</b>	Jacobs

**SCHEDULED VISITORS:** None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** On a motion by Egert and a second by Aitken, it was moved to approve the Regular and Executive Meetings of October 21, 2024 and the Special Meeting held on October 28, 2024. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted aye: Aitken, Egert, Hippen, Stutzke and Reyes (Reyes abstain the October 21 meeting vote). Motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** On a motion by Egert and a second by Stutzke, it was moved to approve the October 2024 Treasurer’s Report. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted aye: Aitken, Egert, Hippen, Stutzke and Reyes. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATION TO BOARD:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**COMMISSIONER’S REPORT:** None.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:** None.

**DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:**

**DIRECTOR OF PARKS & PLANNING –**  
Jana Jacobs reviewed the various activities and projects the parks’ department has completed or has started.

## **RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT –**

Executive Director Schuldt discussed Westwood’s age restrictions and after considerable discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to allow members 6-8 years of age to utilize the functional training/fitness turf areas and the wood basketball courts when accompanied and working directly with an adult and after taking a Youth Fitness class. Schuldt indicated that it would take a couple of weeks to implement these changes.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

On a motion by Aitken and a second by Stutzke it was moved to approve Truth-in-Taxation Resolution 2025-04 as presented. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted aye: Aitken, Egert, Hippen, Stutzke and Reyes. Motion carried.

On a motion by Stutzke and a second by Aitken it was moved to approve Ordinance 2025-02 which is an Ordinance providing the issuance of \$1,735,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2024 of the Sterling Park District, Whiteside County, Illinois and for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted aye: Aitken, Egert, Hippen, Stutzke, and Reyes. Motion carried.

On a motion by Egert and a second by Egert it was moved to approve the 2025 Emerald Hill fees as presented. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted aye: Aitken, Egert, Hippen, Stutzke, and Reyes. Motion carried.

President Marvin Reyes was honored by the Illinois Association of Park Districts, for his 25-year service on the Sterling Park District’s Park Board.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further action, on a motion by Stutzke and a second by Egert, it was moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:30 P.M. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted aye: Aitken, Egert, Hippen, Stutzke and Reyes. Motion carried.