

MINUTES
LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE MEETING
March 19, 2024

1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park Local Government Efficiency Committee was held on March 19, 2024 at 7:45 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: President Chhatwani, Commissioners Kaplan, McGinn, Friedman, Evans and MacGregor, Community Reps Beranek, Bettencourt, and Henderson, Executive Director Talsma

Absent: Commissioner Dressler, Comm Rep Pilafas

Also Present: Director of Finance & Administration Hopkins, Superintendent of Business Peddinghaus, Director of Parks, Planning & Maintenance Hugen, Director of Recreation Miletic, Executive Assistant Flynn, IT Specialist Hassler

Audience:

2. Findings and Recommendations of the Committee on Local Government Efficiency / M24-027:

Executive Director Talsma explained that the intent of the committee is derived from the State of Illinois. They have received many questions about having so many different taxing districts. IAPD has been a big supporter of doing this project so that we can show that there aren't many efficiencies that would result from making the park district a part of the village. We already have a lot of intergovernmental agreements with the village and with the school districts. These work very well.

Commissioner Friedman added that we have Palatine intervillage baseball also.

Superintendent Peddinghaus said that grants are very beneficial, and utilizing them to offset costs is a win-win for the park district and reduces the burden on the taxpayers.

Commissioner Kaplan asked if we every borrow space from other park districts. Executive Director Talsma said that we offered resident rates to Hanover Park when their pool was closed. We also offer resident rates to Schaumburg, Streamwood and Hanover Park for hockey, and we can advertise for free in their district.

Director Hopkins said there is no redundancy in work among park districts. If one park district writes a policy, that gets shared with other park districts. This saves a lot of staff time. Since we don't compete with them, we can share ideas within the industry.

Comm Rep Beranek asked how much staff time this project is taking. Superintendent Peddinghaus said he has spent about 40 hours so far, but it has been a great introductory project for him.

President Chhatwani said the document is very well done, and the links are great.

Executive Director Talsma thanked the volunteers for being on the committee. He added that the report will be finalized and shared with them.

3. Committee Member Comments:

President Chhatwani, Commissioner McGinn and Comm Rep Henderson thanked Superintendent Peddinghaus and Director Hopkins for their hard work.

4. Adjournment:

Commissioner Friedman made a motion, seconded by Comm Rep Henderson to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma
Secretary

Cindy Flynn
Executive Assistant