



**Hampshire Township Park District  
Board of Commissioners  
Meeting Minutes  
July 22, 2024**

**Call to Order:**

At 6:30p.m. President Looman called the meeting to order.

**Commissioners Present:** Jamie Herrmann, Tamara Chiu, Nathan Looman, Meagan Tiffany

**Commissioners Absent:** Jennifer Reid

**Staff Present:** Laura Schraw- Executive Director

Commissioner Chiu made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Herrmann. Motion passed 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

**Citizens to be Heard:** None

**Presentation**

Schmidt Park Redevelopment

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**Agenda**

**Consent Agenda**

Commissioner Tiffany made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Seconded by Commissioner Chui. Motion passed 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

- A. Approval of the June 17, 2024 Public Hearing Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of the June 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- C. Approval of the June 17, 2024 Executive Session Meeting Minutes
- D. Approval of the July 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- E. Approval of payables paid between meetings from 6/13/24 to 7/19/24 in the amount of \$389,097.63.
- F. Approval of Transfer of funds within Heartland Bank, from Money Market #0219 to Checking Account #0235 in the amount of \$400,000.00.
- G. Approval of Transfer of funds within Heartland Bank, from Money Market #4534 to Money Market #0219 in the amount of \$37,423.63.

- H. Approval of Transfer of funds within Heartland Bank, from Money Market #1430 to Money Market #0219 in the amount of \$49,449.08.

**Staff Reports:** Commissioners were able to review the reports prior to the meeting.  
Commissioner and Staff Comments

## **Old Business**

### **Referendum Discussion**

The boards were out at Music on the Oaks to answer any questions that citizens may have. There were a few people with questions but the feedback was all around positive.

So far there have been good conversations with the consulting group. They are getting a good idea of how the park district operates and who we serve.

## **New Business**

### **A. Seyller Park Progress Report**

July progress was slowed by the excess rain. It has pushed back the completion of the ball field. Commissioner Herrmann asked about the standing water and ED Schraw said that the contractor said it was set up correctly but ED Schraw will follow up with them. Commissioner Chiu asked if the opening to the basketball courts needed to be so big. ED Schraw will follow up to see what can be done to prevent people from driving on to the courts.

### **B. Schmidt Park Redevelopment**

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### **C. Resolution of Authorization #2024-05 Schmidt Park OSLAD Grant-**

Commissioner Chiu made a motion to approve the resolution of authorization #2024-05 Schmidt Park OSLAD Grant. Seconded by Commissioner Herrmann. Motion passed 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

Roll Call: Commissioner Chiu-Aye, Commissioner Herrmann-Aye, Commissioner Looman- Aye, Commissioner Tiffany- Aye

### **D. Discussion and Possible Final Action Regarding Authorizing General Obligations for a Recreational Facility Not to Exceed \$13 Million Dollars**

The resolution was distributed to commissioners prior to the meeting. The question that would be on the ballot is listed in the resolution. It does not matter what order we apply to be on the ballot, the county decides the order on the ballot. We will not be filing until we receive the operational budget and guidance from PROS consulting to be reviewed at the August 5th meeting.

Commissioner Herrmann made a motion to approve the Final Action Regarding Authorizing General Obligations for a Recreational Facility Not to Exceed \$13 Million Dollars. Commissioner Chiu seconded.

Motion passed with 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

Roll Call: Commissioner Chiu-Aye, Commissioner Herrmann-Aye, Commissioner Looman- Aye, Commissioner Tiffany- Aye

**Commissioner and Staff Comments-** Staff reports were submitted electronically prior for Commissioner review. Commissioners had an opportunity to ask any questions to staff.

**Adjournment:** At 7:23 p.m. Commissioner Chiu made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Herrmann. Motion passed with 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

**Next meeting** - August 5, 2024.