

## 8.18.25 Park Board Meeting Notes

70+ people in attendance

Fred inflammatory intro statement, called out by name another resident who filed an OMA request for review.

Other side making comments - 3 people support boards repeal of DEI, 1 person "wants to see the facts" and thinks that maybe Eric Anderson is getting paid more because he's more productive.

Presentation on bond process

Maintenance garage - Fred lots of questions about this. Seemed concerned about the all-in 12 million price tag. But compared to Antioch building new - \$17 million (without land costs) The Board updated their handbook (General Practices Manual) to reflect their decision to eliminate committee of the whole meetings.

The Board decided to require every member of the board (including the President) to have another member second agenda requests. Nisenson was the key member (sort of) reversing his vote and breaking with Fred on this. On June 5th, the board added a new rule to make all members have another member second an agenda item before it's added to the agenda but the President had not been complying.

Cathy Cagle requested a discussion about a study of boat traffic on the lake because of Fred's past comments wanting to limit public access. A study will help give the full picture of where the boats are coming from since we currently only have Park District data. Mike Jacobson also strongly supported just collecting the data. Fred maintains that Park District has no authority over the lake and shouldn't do it. Item was discussion only.

Pickle ball - courts getting overwhelmed by nonresidents (only courts in town). Cathy was approached by a resident having trouble getting court time. Staff will take a look at some options. Item was discussion only.

Riparian rights - Anderson wants to hire a law firm to "settle the lake wars issue" and confirm the riparian rights of property owners. Firm has an hourly rate \$375 to \$650 /hour. Cathy asked who is asking for this, what the firm is doing? Cathy "we should not be paying to define the property rights of the lake owners" Karen asked the difference between Ancel memo and this. Seems like the same thing. Eric Anderson said that Ancel Memo was just one opinion (it's not, it's a legal memo see page 204 of 8.18.25 web packet). Board voted to not engage lawyer with Hickey joining Cathy, Mike, and Karen.

Draft Lake Usage Fee Agreement (replaces the sticker and lake ecology fee collection IGA that board got rid of) - Cathy concerned that this makes Park District just a contractor when PD owns 92% of lake bottom. Not just a contractor. Eric and Fred are swearing that there's nothing different. Fred & Nisenson say PD shouldn't be in an IGA because they don't have legal authority over the lake. Board is sending agreement to Crystal Lake & Lakewood.