MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NORTHWEST SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION HELD AT BRIDGES OF POPLAR CREEK COUNTRY CLUB 1400 POPLAR CREEK DRIVE HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL 60169 ON THE 21st OF MAY, 2025, at 8:00 am

Chairman Talsma called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Roll Call

The following members of the Board were present: Carrie Fullerton, Arlington Heights Park District; Kevin Romejko, Barlett Park District; Erika Strojinc, Buffalo Grove Park District; Ben Curcio, Elk Grove Park District; Steve Bessette (arrived 9:38 a.m.), Hanover Park Park District; Craig Talsma, Hoffman Estates Park District; Jim Jarog, Mount Prospect Park District; Ben Rea, Palatine Park District; Christina Ferraro, Prospect Heights Park District; Bret Fahnstrom, River Trails Park District; Diane Hilgers, Salt Creek Park District; Tony LaFrenere, Schaumburg Park District; Jay Morgan, South Barrington Park District; Jeff Janda, Streamwood Park District; and Jan Buchs, Wheeling Park District

Absent: Nick Troy, Rolling Meadows Park Distrct, Robert Dowling, Inverness Park District

Also present: Paul Friedrichs, NWSRA Interim Executive Director; Steve Scholten, MGT

Introduction of Guests
None

Public Comment
None

Approval of Agenda
Chairman Talsma asked for a motion to approve the agenda dated May 21, 2025. Director Romejko made the motion and Director Janda seconded the motion to approve the agenda dated May 21, 2025. Upon voice vote, the motion was carried.

Approval of Consent Agenda
Chairman Talsma noted a typo in the agenda initially sent out, the ADA Compliance Project amount for the Mike Rylko Park should be $248,707.

Chairman Talsma called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda of May 21, 2025. Director Rea made the motion and Director LaFrenere seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated May 21, 2025. Upon roll being called the vote was as follows:

AYA: Carrie Fullerton, Kevin Romejko, Erika Strojinc, Ben Curcio, Craig Talsma, Jim Jarog, Ben Rea, Christina Ferraro, Bret Fahnstrom, Diane Hilgers, Tony LaFrenere, Jay Morgan, Jeff Janda, and Jan Buchs

NAY: None

The motion carried.

Correspondence
Interim Executive Director disussed a correspondnce from Commuinity Consolidated School Dsitrct 21 thanking NWSRA for our support at their April 26 Family Health and Wellness Fair.

Staff Reports

Staff reports were provided to the Board in writing, as staff was not present for this meeting, Intermin Executive Director Friedrichs asked the Board if they had any questions, none were asked.

Old Business
None

New Business
None

Informational/Action Items
None

The Board took a break from 8:10 until 8:45 a.m.

Closed Session
Chairman Talsma moved to enter a closed session to discuss Personnel 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) and Closed Session Minutes 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(21) . Director Fullerton made the motion and Director Romejko seconded the motion to enter into closed session at 8:45 am.

Upon roll being called the vote was as follows:

AYA: Carrie Fullerton, Kevin Romejko, Erika Strojinc, Ben Curcio, Craig Talsma, Jim Jarog, Ben Rea, Christina Ferraro, Bret Fahnstrom, Diane Hilgers, Tony LaFrenere, Jay Morgan, Jeff Janda, and Jan Buchs
NAY: None

The motion carried.

Director Bessette arrived to meeting during Closed Session at 9:38 a.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 12:25 p.m.

Action as a result of Closed Session
Approval, but not release due to confidentiality, Closed Session Minutes Dated February 20, 2025, March 26, 2025, May 1, 2025 as well as all previously approved but not released Closed Session minutes as part of the semi-annual review.

Chairman Talsma asked for a motion to approve, but not release due to confidentiality, Closed Session Minutes Dated February 20, 2025, March 26, 2025, May 1, 2025 as well as all previously

approved but not released Closed Session minutes as part of the semi-annual review. Director Rea made the motion and Director Romejko seconded the motion.

Upon roll being called the vote was as follows:

AYA: 15

NAY: 0

The motion carried.

Adjournment

After no further business, Chairman Talsma called for a motion to adjourn. Director Romejko made the motion and Director Fahnstrom seconded the motion to adjourn the May 21, 2025 meeting at 12:30 p.m. Upon voice vote the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Friedrichs
Interim Executive Director