

SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025
FRANKFORT, IL – FOUNDERS COMMUNITY CENTER
7:00 p.m.

- I. Call Committee to Order – President McCarey called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.
Attendance: Commissioners Ruvoli, Barz, McCarey, Gentry,; Executive Director, Gina Hassett; and Mary Strand, Recording Secretary.
Absent: Commissioner Ponton
Guest: None
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Public Comment –None
- IV. Facility & Property Update –
 - A. Indoor Recreation Center
 - i. Open House - An Open House is scheduled for May 28th at 6:30. A save-the-date went out to the residents and was sent to the commissioners so they may help to promote it. Gina gave an overview of the feedback she has received from both residents and non-residents of FPD. The meeting will be held in the gym. There will be a slide show presentation. Questions that are arising is what the cost of using the facilities after the tax increase. Also affects to traffic have been voiced by residents. Heritage Knolls was discussed because the park property is at one end of their subdivision. The Village Mayor was invited. Discussion was held. The idea of Parking Meters in the parks was put forth as a means to raise funds and discussed.
 - B. Fort Frankfort – The two large structures have not been delivered yet. The shelters have arrived and footings are poured. Gina will check again tomorrow. Other work continues in the interim. Progress photos will be taken to document the build.
 - i. Naming Pavillion – Operation Playground would like to keep the story alive about Fort Frankfort. Gina asked if naming the Pavillion after Phil Simmons would be agreeable to the Board. The general consensus was agreed to name the pavillion after Phil Simmons to make people aware of his dedication to Fort Frankfort and the FPD. Discussion was held.
 - C. Five Oaks Park – There is a memo in the Board’s packets that will be discussed at a Special Board meeting and Executive session immediately following this meeting.

- V. Recreation – The Chamber of Commerce is holding their Community Showcase on Breidert Green on June 1 & 2. FPD will have a booth and highlight the Open House.
Most Summer Camps sessions are full and now anyone who wants a filled spot is put on a waiting list.
- VI. Miscellaneous –
- A. Review of Closed Meeting Minutes – A list of dates of the Executive Meetings was handed out. It showed dates of the ones already released and the audio destroyed up to 2022. It had the 2023, 2024, and 2025 dates that can be considered for release. Most of 2023 can be considered for release and audio destruction except for the one of 12/12/2023. That one and all of 2024 and 2025 dates are in regard to ongoing litigation. Copies of the minutes that need to be considered and voted on will be in the Board packets for the June 10th meeting.
- B. Sexual Harassment Required Training – policy and video training is available, and the policy was included in the Board’s packets for review. Each commissioner needs to sign off that they are aware of the policies.
- VII. Executive Session – None
- VIII. Adjournment – With nothing further to discuss, President McCarey asked for a motion to end the Committee Meeting. ***Commissioner Gentry so moved, and Commissioner Barz seconded the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote at 7:51 p.m.***

Respectfully submitted,

Mary T. Strand
Board Minutes Secretary