SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2026
FRANKFORT, IL – FOUNDERS COMMUNITY CENTER

I. Call Committee to Order – President McCarey called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.
Attendance: Commissioners McCarey, Ponton, Barz, Ruvoli, and Gentry.
Also Present: Gina Hassett, Executive Director & Ed Newton, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds
Absent: None
Guest: None

II. Public Comment –None

III. Recreation -

IV. Facility & Property Update –
   A. Crystal Brook Park Discussion – A memo included in the Board's packet gave a history of the development of the park by the developer. The developer wants to keep the park for the HOA. Developer would need to go to the Village for any consideration to changes. The ComEd easement, the pond and requirement of a walking path are problematic for the District. Discussion was held. Selling the FPD owned lot was a consideration discussed.
   B. Five Oaks Parcel – Gina talked to Sally from the Five Oaks HOA management team. She indicated she thinks there will be enough votes to change the HOA declaration to remove FPD as a member.
   C. Land Exchange – Old Stone – Gina went to Robinson Engineering for information. If there are no utilities running through the lot, then the District could go to the Village to vacate.
   D. Indoor Recreation Center Planning – Our architect and our appraiser have gone through the existing facility to evaluate it to consider purchasing it.
   E. DCEO Funding Planning Update – Tod took the feedback from the last Committee Meeting and updated the plans and budget to meet the $7.5 million. It does show alternatives that could be paid from the Capital Fund. It is a Master Plan for the whole community. Gina also discussed the parking lots that need to be replaced. The District has $30,000 from Operation Playground that could be used in the new Dog Park. A drawing and a budget already exist to move the Dog Park. She would like to present the plans to Senator Hastings to show him what improvements can be made for the amount of the grant. Also, she would have the Village evaluate the plans. Discussion was

held. Concerns and questions were addressed. The consensus was to go ahead and present the plan and budget to the senator.

F. Palomino Trace – The annexation agreement has expired. It is in Green Gardens Township.

V. Miscellaneous –

A. LWSRA 50th Anniversary – The Sneaker Ball will be held in June and commissioners are encouraged to attend.

VI. Executive Session – None

VII. Adjournment – With nothing further to discuss, President McCarey asked for a motion to adjourn the Committee Meeting. ***Commissioner Gentry so moved, and Commissioner Ruvoli seconded the motion. Hearing no objections all present voted Aye. Motion passed by a voice vote at 8:10 p.m.***

Respectfully submitted,

Mary T. Strand
Board Minutes Secretary