

Monthly Meeting Minutes of JPAC July 10, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Michael Scott, JPAC President, at 7:05 p.m. A quorum of 7 voting members were present. President Scott welcomed the attendees and asked if there was any addition to the agenda; hearing none, the agenda was approved. Then he asked if everyone had read the June meeting minutes. A yes response was received, and a motion was requested to approve the minutes. It was moved and seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously by the voting membership.

Eric Rogers, JPAC Treasurer, presented a Treasurer's report that indicated the current balance was \$5,317.02, no change since the previous month. A suggestion was made to spend \$1,000.00 on athletic equipment for the youth. President Scott stated that a proposal should be submitted for consideration and a possible vote.

President Scott introduced the interim Chair and Co-chair of the Golf committee – Kristy Rawson and Jerry Levy. He named the chairs of each committee and indicated that chairs were needed for the Osaka and Volunteer committees. Based on several discussions, it was decided to restructure the Obama Committee. President Scott will select a Co-chair for this committee. The Dog Park committee needs members.

The Communication Committee provided a report of their meeting and accomplishments. Comments pertaining to the status of the 5 historical bridges and the various safety and security issues occurring within Jackson Park were discussed. It was suggested that a list of safety and security issues and items requiring repairs be compiled and maintained, along with pictures, and shared with the Chicago Park District (committee reports and meeting minutes can be viewed on the JPAC website). Also, a request was made to invite a representative from the Lawn Bowling organization to attend a meeting.

JPAC was selected as the winner for the "Movie in the Park". Members were requested to vote on their movie choice and based on the results, "The Woman King" was selected. It will be viewed on Tuesday, September 5th in the evening at a site to be determined.

The JPAC membership was extremely disappointed that a representative from the Chicago Department of Transportation had not responded to our email or attended our meeting to provide an update on signage and the road work projects adjacent and within Jackson Park. The following motion was made and approved:

"The Jackson Park Advisory Council (JPAC) is extremely disappointed with the lack of response from the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT). The JPAC's email was not responded to and a representative from CDOT did not attend our July 10, 2023, meeting. JPAC is requesting that a CDOT representative attend our August 14, 2023 meeting, to address the following items as they relate to Jackson Park: updates on the status of the current projects, future projects, signage, and accessibility JPAC membership wants to be able to receive answers to various questions and provide feedback during our August 14th meeting." 26 members voted Yes, and 2 present abstained.

President Scott requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was moved and seconded, and unanimously approved at 8:01 p.m.

The meeting was attended by 30 individuals, including 27 members and 3 non-voting guests. Of the 27 members in attendance 26 were currently eligible to vote, and 1 was not yet eligible to vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Russell Pike, JPAC Secretary