

THE PRAIRIE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) Meeting  
Kennedy Park Field House, 11320 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60643  
Tuesday, June 11, 2024, 6:30 PM (IN PERSON ONLY)



## AGENDA

I.	WELCOME:	Call Meeting to Order. Robert's Rules of Order.	C. Williams
II.	NEW MEMBERS/GUESTS:	Welcome New Members and/or Guests present.	I. Williams
III.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	PAC Meeting Minutes from 5/14/24	C. Williams
IV.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	Report & Bank Statement (ATTACHED). (May 1-31)	M. Chandler
V.	COMMITTEE REPORTS: (Approx. 5-7 min. ea. please)	<i>Written reports are circulated by email to PAC membership in advance of PAC Meeting. Please provide a verbal brief summary only in person. This helps to keep meeting to an hour. Thank you.</i>	C. Williams
		<u>Garden Committee</u> : Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED] @gmail.com; [REDACTED] @gmail.com.	D. Chandler
		<u>Marketing &amp; Fundraising Committee</u> : Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED] @aol.com; [REDACTED] @yahoo.com.	I. Williams
		<u>Park Events Planning Committee</u> : Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED] @yahoo.com; [REDACTED] @gmail.com.	M. Dunneback
		<u>Park Investment Committee</u> : Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED] @gmail.com; [REDACTED] @outlook.com	L. Linnerud
		<u>Public Safety Committee (CAPS)</u> : Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED] @gmail.com; [REDACTED] @aol.com.	M. Chandler
VII.	OLD BUSINESS:	<u>IRS PAC Name Change</u> : Request name change of PAC non-profit at IRS with existing EIN from PARK 581 Park Advisory Council to "The Prairie Park Advisory Council".	C. Williams <b>PENDING</b>
VIII.	NEW BUSINESS:	<u>Chicago Outdoor Fitness and Dance Festival</u> : Sponsored by DCASE on <u>7/20/24</u> (8 am-7:30 pm) for Next Level Dance Foundation. Community outreach was not done. Talked to Alderman's office & 22 <sup>nd</sup> District Commander; making further inquiries to get more info.	C. Williams
VIII.	UPCOMING EVENTS:	<u>7/05/24</u> : (8-10 AM) Post Holiday Park Clean-Up @ The Prairie, 116 <sup>th</sup> Pl./Oakley. <u>7/18/24</u> : (7-9 PM) "Jazz in the Park" sponsored by Ald. O'Shea. (Setup @ 6; end @ 10)	M. Dunneback
IX.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	1. Water fountain at Ridge—did you get more information from park supervisor? 2. Status of bicycle rack installation at 118 <sup>th</sup> /Oakley. ( <b>PENDING</b> ) 3. Schedule of events at park (PAC-related, sports teams, alderman-sponsored and other events scheduled by community organizations/individuals, etc.)? 4. Are there any park project updates? ( <b>ONGOING</b> )	R. Medrano
X.	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:	Other Park Concerns? Questions?	Open Floor
XI.	NEXT PAC MEETING:	Next PAC Meeting will be in person at Kennedy Park fieldhouse: <u>7/9/24</u> , 6:30 PM.	FYI
XII.	ADJOURN:	Thank you for attending this PAC Meeting.	C. Williams

Attachments: (2)  
Notes with attachment from Emily Beach: Chicago Parks Foundation Zoom Roundtable held on May 30, 2024 regarding fundraising ideas and creation of a digital PAC Resource Guide (pending) for all PACs to use.

PAC Meetings for Remainder of 2024:  
Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, AUG. 13, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse  
Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, SEPT. 10, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse  
Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, OCT. 8, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse  
Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, NOV. 12, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse  
Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, DEC. 10, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse

The Prairie Park Website: <https://theprairiepark.org>

SwipeSimple Online (No Fees): The Prairie PAC Online Donation: [https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk\\_7ebae5d3](https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3)

Steps for Fingerprinting Process: 1) Volunteer Application Form, (2) Fingerprinting, (3) Please send one page receipt to PAC Secretary at [ThePrairiePark@gmail.com](mailto:ThePrairiePark@gmail.com). Go to: [chicagoparkdistrict.com/get-involved/volunteer](https://chicagoparkdistrict.com/get-involved/volunteer). Scroll down to "Long-Term Volunteer Application".

Follow "Steps to become a long-term volunteer." Email completed application to Maria Stone: [volunteers@chicagoparkdistrict.com](mailto:volunteers@chicagoparkdistrict.com).

Once processed, you will receive an email with instructions & locations for fingerprinting.



- TBD (April/May): Once Chicago Park District signs for our park are made and installed, Maria Stone will let us know when we can schedule a ribbon cutting ceremony so entire community is invited.

## **XI. PARK SUPERVISOR**

- Park Signage: Rebecca confirmed that the 4 park signs that were installed are permanent per her boss.
- Bicycle Rack: No word yet on installation of bicycle rack at 118<sup>th</sup>/Oakley across from school parking lot.
- Other Updates. Received email update from project manager, Kay Katsma: project planning is underway, and documents are moving along. Rebecca will update us as she receives more information.

## **XII. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

Lorraine Linnerud mentioned that new laminated parking signs are needed to be posted at the pet waste stations again; the rain ruined previous ones.

## **XIII. NEXT PAC MEETING**

The next monthly PAC Meeting is on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 6:30 PM in person at the Kennedy Park Fieldhouse. The PAC Board meets each month two Saturdays before the monthly meeting to set the Agenda for the upcoming meeting. If you would like to add an item to the Agenda, please contact one of the PAC Board Officers below:

President	Charles Williams	Sgt808@aol.com
Vice-President	Lorraine Linnerud	lorrainelinnerud@gmail.com
Secretary	Ivette Williams	idw87@aol.com
Treasurer	Milton Chandler	mchandler5219@gmail.com

## **XIV. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM. Motion to adjourn was entered by Charles Williams, accepted by Charmaine Sevier; seconded by Lorraine Linnerud.

Respectfully submitted: Ivette Williams, The Prairie PAC Board Secretary

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Please visit the following pages:

➤ <b>THE PRAIRIE PARK WEBSITE:</b> <a href="http://ThePrairiePark.org">http://ThePrairiePark.org</a>	<b>FACEBOOK PAGE</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1071695500392984">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1071695500392984</a>
➤ <b>SWIPE SIMPLE ONLINE DONATION</b> <a href="https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3">https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3</a>	<b>INATURALIST (COMMUNITY GARDEN)</b> <a href="https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/the-prairie-Previously-park-581">https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/the-prairie-Previously-park-581</a>
➤ <b>PAC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION</b> <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTDUkAOCbB2HzVphMBTuSWsYeSrq-PO8JhUegNywBUyCv4Eg/viewform?usp=pp_url">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTDUkAOCbB2HzVphMBTuSWsYeSrq-PO8JhUegNywBUyCv4Eg/viewform?usp=pp_url</a>	