

HAMPSHIRE TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 2010 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Mission Statement:

The Hampshire Park District's mission is to provide recreational, educational and cultural opportunities that improve the quality of life through a responsive, efficient and creative park and recreation system. The District shall balance quality recreational facilities and programs while protecting parks, natural resources and open spaces for the benefit of present and future generations.

Goal #1: Provide and maintain park land and recreational facilities that meet the present and future recreational needs of district residents.

1. Demand developers comply with Park District Developer Guidelines.
2. Annex land beyond the Park District boundaries if/when the Village of Hampshire does so.

Goal #2: Ensure that recreation programs meet the interests and needs of a variety of ages and abilities by providing and sponsoring programs independently and in cooperation with other community organizations or agencies.

1. Re-define and restructure summer camp programs for Pre-k and school age children.
2. Conduct survey of those residents who qualify for special recreational programming to use as a guide for program offerings.

Goal #3: Ensure that administration of the Park District is effective, well-managed, customer friendly and provides a creative work environment for staff.

1. Establish a set schedule for mandatory staff meetings.
2. Establish a set schedule for mandatory "skip level" meetings for staff with board members.
3. Make recommendations to the Board of Commissioners regarding appropriate staffing levels and compensation.

Goal #4: Exercise fiscal responsibility and prudence in all financial and business transactions.

1. Update 5 year revenue and expenditure budget projections by fund to insure balanced budgets.
2. Increase program fees and park and facility rental fees to meet budget requirements.
3. Examine telecommunication needs and explore potential cost savings.
4. Explore the feasibility of holding a referendum in November, 2010.
5. Through the Park District Foundation, increase private donations to the Park District.

Goal #5: Ensure that all parks facilities are maintained efficiently, cost effectively, safely, and in accordance with all standards and codes.

1. Use A.D.A. compliance audit to establish Special Recreation Fund budget priorities.

Goal #6: Maintain strong communications with District residents and other public agencies and private sector organizations.

1. Provide the public with access to information by improving the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request procedures as outlined in the revised Freedom of Information Act that went into effect on January 1, 2010.

Goal #7: Conserve community resources to the greatest extent through cooperation with other local organizations and agencies.

1. Enhance relationships with Village of Hampshire, District #300, Kane County Forest Preserve District and other governmental units.
2. Maintain positive relationships with administrators and staff at Hampshire schools to enhance Park District programs.

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