

*Lockport Township Park District
Park Board Minutes
June 22, 2026*

Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Lockport Township Park District was held on Monday, June 22, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at Dellwood Park Community Center, 1811 Lawrence Avenue, Lockport, IL 60441 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Upon calling roll, the following Commissioners were present:
Patrick Maier, Don Bauer, Max Woods, Paul Nobis, Jeff Rigoni

Also, present were:
Pete Hall, Executive Director
Ken Tondini, Director of Park Services
Nathan Krusinski, Director of Business
Ben Ragle, Director of Recreation
Gina Madden, Attorney
Lisa Bruni, Board Recording Secretary
Jennifer Williams, Challenge Fitness Manager
Steve Lunde, Director of Golf Course Operations
Jeff Schenk, Chief of Police
Amiee Paradee, Lauterbach & Amen

Prior to the start of the meeting, President Maier moved to amend Agenda Item 10E, changing it from Review Executive Session Minutes to Executive Session Minutes. The motion to amend the agenda carried unanimously by voice vote, with all Board members voting AYE.

Amiee Paradee of Lauterbach & Amen presented the 2025 Audit findings to the Board of Commissioners. Amiee stated that their audit opinion was an unmodified which is the highest level provided for an audit. She reviewed the Management Letter, fund balances, retirement plans and 2 new GASB recommendations. A short discussion ensued with regards to the audit.

Motion made by Commissioner Don Bauer, second by Commissioner Paul Nobis to approve consent agenda for the following:

- Minutes of May 18, 2026
- Bills & Payrolls

Roll call results were as follows:

Ayes: Jeff Rigoni, Don Bauer, Max Woods, Paul Nobis, Patrick Maier

Nays: None

The Motion Was Duly Carried

Disbursement checks issued and recorded in the accounts payable journal for May 2026 for the following funds:

General Fund	453,643.56
Museum Fund	643.75
Police Fund	12,534.40
Recreation Fund	244,609.57
Chaney Pool Fund	13,939.37
Heritage Falls Water Park Fund	26,562.60
Challenge Fitness	46,213.62
Prairie Bluff Public Golf Club	255,108.99
Debit Service	68,499.00
Construction	<u>49,857.47</u>
Total	\$1,171,612.33

Employee payrolls for the month of May 2026 for the following funds:

General Fund	163,655.01
Museum Fund	1,929.50
Police Fund	39,805.94
Recreation Fund	255,785.52
Challenge Fitness	129,402.95
Prairie Bluff Public Golf Club	<u>204,569.80</u>
Total	\$795,148.72

Treasurer's Report

Nathan stated that he will present the PAFR report to the Board at next month's meeting. He explained that the report provides a more comprehensive breakdown of the audit in a format that is easier for taxpayers to understand.

Motion made by Commissioner Don Bauer, second by Commissioner Paul Nobis to approve the Treasurer's Report as follows:

- Fiscal Treasurer's Report May 2026
- Cash & Investment Report May 2026
- PPRT Analysis
- Prairie Bluff May 2026
- Round Analysis
- Challenge Fitness May 2026
- License Agreement Payments

Roll call results were as follows:

Ayes: Jeff Rigoni, Paul Nobis, Don Bauer, Max Woods, Patrick Maier

Nays: None

The Motion Was Duly Carried

Correspondence

The Park District received an overwhelming amount of positive correspondence this month. Highlights include:

- Recognition of the exceptional customer service provided at Prairie Bluff from Dawn C.
- Appreciation for the trip staff's professionalism while driving through severe weather from Gladys K.
- Compliments on the staff's dedication to preserving Dellwood Park from Tom D.
- Numerous compliments from residents regarding the Touch a Truck event.
- A thank-you note from Kristin K. expressing appreciation for program assistance provided through the Dellwood Foundation.
- Staff recognition for Recreation Supervisor from Joe and Toni M.
- Multiple compliments from residents regarding the Soccer Shots program and coaching staff.
- Appreciation from Johnny R. for the Concert in the Park event.
- A thank-you note from Peggy B. recognizing a police officer for being kind and helpful.
- Kudos from Samantha F. and the Lockport Junior Miss Softball organization recognizing Park District staff.
- Lockport Township Park District and Prairie Bluff were recognized in the 2025 *Herald-News* Readers' Choice Awards

Report of Officers

- A. **Attorney's Report**
 - None
- B. **Secretary's Report**
 - None
- C. **President's Report**
 - None

Director's Report

- **Department head meetings**
I continue to meet with the Department Heads.
- **Safety meeting**
We continue to hold monthly safety meetings.
- **Special events**
Attached are the special events through July 2026.
- **Juneteenth**
The Juneteenth event will be held at AF Hill Park with many local groups & legislators participating. Pete added that it was a great event and staff did a great job organizing it. It was well attended by residents, local groups and State Representatives and Senators.
- **Fireworks**
The fireworks will be held in Dellwood Park on Friday July 3rd after dusk. Also, there will be 2 simultaneous shows in Romeoville (Village & Discovery Park) on July 3rd at 9:30pm. Pete added that the District contributed to both of the firework shows.
- **Dellwood Foundation Meeting**
I attended the Dellwood Foundation meeting on 6/18/26. The Board was reorganized at this meeting.
- **Rose Garden**
Staff is working on the design for the renovation of the rose garden.
- **Parkside Estates Resurfacing**
Turf safety surfacing was successfully completed at Parkside Estates playground and should last another 10 years.
- **Chancy Pool**
The pool boiler remains out of service. After further review it was determined that the boiler should be repaired at this time due to time, cost, and permitting. Repair parts have been ordered and are fabricated by the manufacturer on as needed basis. The projected timeline on the parts is within a few weeks. Pete added that installation of the parts will take place as soon as they arrive. This repair was the lowest cost alternative and gave us the fastest turnaround time.
- **Dellwood Park bridges**
There are several items requested from IDNR to be resubmitted for the permit application on the bridges. Pete added that a flood plan study will need to be conducted which may result in filing an extension for the grant.

- **Solar update**
ComEd shutdown for electrical connection is scheduled for July 15. Pete added that he may get generators to keep the IT system going during the shutdown and that staff and programming may be displaced that day.
- **Creekside / Oak Valley Playground – Hillside Park**
The Project had a bid opening on 6/16/26 and is under new business for approval.
- **Sadie Ridge**
Staff is working on the design with a landscape architect for the new park site that is scheduled to be developed in the fall of 2026. Pete stated that he will be bringing a contract from the developer to the Board for approval next month.
- **Silo Bend Maintenance Garage**
Construction of the maintenance garage is progressing. MEP rough-in is complete. Exterior closure and interior construction scheduled for next month.
- **Other capital updates**
Staff is working on requirements for updating the mixing pad at Prairie Bluff. Pete stated that the chemical storage building has been painted and the site work will begin shortly.
- **Legislative Update**
IDEC's bill passed in both chambers. LAPD's compromise language was incorporated and preserves recreational programs operated by the Park District. New regulations will need to be reviewed to determine exact extent of effect on existing programming. Programs cannot be called pre-school without a license. Pete added that the District will get guidance from LAPD once the final regulations are reviewed.
- **Affiliate Group Meeting**
Staff met with representatives from Lockport Boys Baseball to review capital improvements. Pete stated that discussions have continued and that they will be reviewing the current agreement and may propose revisions.
- **Crest Hill Municipal Plaza**
I attended a meeting with Crest Hill on the park development at the Crest Hill Municipal Plaza. Pete explained that the meeting to select playground equipment has been put on hold until the overall development is approved by their Board.
- **Crest Hill Area Leaders Meeting**
I attended a meeting with the Crest Hill Area Leaders.
- **Storm Damage**
The Park District sustained significant damage during the storm event on Wednesday 6/10/26. Tree damage, roof damage, power outages, loss of food, banquet services, windscreens, range poles and netting. Appears to have no visible sign of damage on the solar array. Pete stated that an insurance adjuster will be visiting damaged sites and then bids will need go out for the damaged sites. He added that the intent is to bring bids to the Board for approval at next month's meeting.
- **Capital Workshop**
I would like to schedule a capital workshop in July to review the 5-year capital plan in preparation for the 2027 Budget. After discussion the Board consensus was to schedule the workshop on Tuesday, July 14th at 11:00 a.m.
- **Lockport TIF Meeting**
I will be attending the annual TIF meeting for the City of Lockport.
- **NWCSRA Meeting**
I will be attending the June NWCSRA Board meeting.

Unfinished Business:

A. Approve Ordinance for Property Transfer for Stanley Gustafson Park

Attorney Madden requested that the Board table approval of the item until next month. She explained that the City's attorney has not yet received the recorded subdivision plat, so a PIN has not been assigned to the property. Additionally, a title report has not yet been completed. Attorney Madden stated that she will prepare the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) once the District receives the recorded plat and title report.

New Business:

A. Approval of 2025 Audit

We have finished the 2025 Audit. It was another successful year for the District as we were able to fund many capital projects out of operating funds in 2025. Aimee Paradee of Lauterbach & Amen is scheduled to be present to discuss the 2025 Audit and answer any questions. We will have a hard copy of the audit at the meeting on Monday, if you do not want a hard copy please return it back to me. Attached is an electronic copy of the 2025 audit.

Staff recommends approving the 2025 Audit as presented.

Motion made by Commissioner Don Bauer, second by Commissioner Jeff Rigoni to approve the 2025 Audit as presented.

Roll call results were as follows:

Ayes: Jeff Rigoni, Paul Nobis, Don Bauer, Max Woods, Patrick Maier

Nays: None

The Motion Was Duly Carried

B. Approve Joint Park Renovation with the Village of Romeoville

In the 2026 Budget we have \$100,000 for a joint project with the Village of Romeoville for the redesign and redevelopment of Wesglen Park. This park is within the Park District boundaries but owned and maintained by the Village of Romeoville. Wesglen Park is over 20 years old. It will be replaced with a 2–5 and 5–12 age group playground, along with a pickleball court. The park also includes three existing ballfields.

Staff recommends approving the contribution to the Village of Romeoville for the redesign and redevelopment of Wesglen Park in the amount of \$100,000.

Motion made by Commissioner Max Woods, second by Commissioner Paul Nobis to approve contribution to the Village of Romeoville for the redesign and redevelopment of Wesglen Park in the amount of \$100,000.

A short discussion ensued about recognition of the contribution.

Roll call results were as follows:

Ayes: Jeff Rigoni, Paul Nobis, Don Bauer, Max Woods, Patrick Maier

Nays: None

The Motion Was Duly Carried

C. Accept Low Bid and Approve Contract for Hillside Park

As discussed at the 2026 Budget meeting we are redeveloping Creekside Park. This is the park that will now be combined with the Oak Valley subdivision and renamed Hillside Park. The scope of the project that was bid out was for the installation of the playground, shade canopy, and adjoining walkways. There is \$300,000 in the 2026 budget for this playground project. Just a reminder the Board approved the purchase of the playground equipment (\$90,073.00) at the March 2026 Board meeting. There are owner items still to be purchased at a later date (shade structure, benches, park sign, garbage cans, etc.). However, the project is within budget.

Bids were available to the public on June 1st with the bid opening at 9:00am at DPCC on June 16th. There were 3 contractors that turned in bids. Below listed are the bid results with GLI Services Inc. (George's Landscaping) being the low responsible bidder. George's Landscaping has done multiple projects (Willow Walk, Clover Ridge, Sunset Park, Highland Ridge, etc.) in the past for the Park District with no issues.

Bid Opening Results

GLI Services	\$132,907.85
Hacienda Landscaping	\$141,312.50
Innovation Landscape	\$157,577.80

Staff recommends accepting the low responsible bid and approving the contract with GLI Services Inc. for the Hillside Park project in the amount of \$132,907.85

Motion made by Commissioner Paul Nobis, second by Commissioner Don Bauer to accept the low responsible bid and approve the contract with GLI Services Inc. for the Hillside Park project in the amount of \$132,907.85

A short discussion ensued with regards to the park location and name.

Roll call results were as follows:

Ayes: Jeff Rigoni, Paul Nobis, Don Bauer, Max Woods, Patrick Maier

Nays: None

The Motion Was Duly Carried

D. Accept Low Bid and Approve Contract for Challenge Pool Renovation

As discussed at the 2026 Budget meeting we are continuing the renovation of the Challenge Fitness Pool area. The scope of the project that was bid out is for the installation of new trench drain, concrete slab, epoxy flooring, painting family changing area, steam room renovation, and other misc. associated work. There is \$300,000 in the 2026 budget designated for this project, along with additional bond issuance funds available to cover the cost of the project.

Bids were available to the public on June 5th with the bid opening at 10:00 am at DPCC on June 16th. There were 2 contractors that turned in bids. Below listed are the bid results with Cosgrove Construction being the low responsible bidder. Cosgrove Construction also did work on the previous Challenge Fitness renovations.

Bid Opening Results

Cosgrove Construction	\$399,760.00
Henry Bro. CO.	\$434,805.00

Staff recommends accepting the low responsible bid and approving the contract with Cosgrove Construction for the Challenge Fitness Pool Renovation Project in the amount of \$399,760.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Don Bauer, second by Commissioner Max Woods to accept the low responsible bid and approve the contract with Cosgrove Construction for the Challenge Fitness Pool Renovation Project in the amount of \$399,760.00.

Roll call results were as follows:

Ayes: Jeff Rigoni, Paul Nobis, Don Bauer, Max Woods, Patrick Maier

Nays: None

The Motion Was Duly Carried

E. Executive Session Minutes

The Park District is required by the Open Meeting Act to conduct a semi-annual review of the executive session meeting minutes. The Board must evaluate these minutes to determine if the need for confidentiality still exists or if they can be officially released to the public.

The following is a list of unreleased executive session minutes for your review. These meetings have pending, probable or imminent litigation and it is the recommendation of Attorney Madden to not release the minutes due to the fact that confidentiality still exists to these minutes.

Unreleased Executive Session Minutes

9/28/2020: Property, Personnel - Litigation

11/24/2025: Personnel, Incident - Litigation

12/15/2025: Personnel, Incident, Employee Compensation - Litigation

Staff recommends not releasing the minutes of 9/28/2020, 11/24/2025, and 12/15/2025 as confidentiality still exists to these minutes.

Motion made by Commissioner Jeff Rigoni, second by Commissioner Max Woods to recommend not releasing the minutes of 9/28/2020, 11/24/2025, and 12/15/2025 as confidentiality still exists to these minutes.

Roll call results were as follows:

Ayes: Jeff Rigoni, Paul Nobis, Don Bauer, Max Woods, Patrick Maier

Nays: None

The Motion Was Duly Carried

F. Approve Executive Session Tapes to Destroy

The Open Meeting Act also allows the Park District to conduct an annual review of the executive session meeting verbatim recordings. The Board can authorize to destroy the verbatim recordings after 18 months have passed as long as the Board has formally approved the written minutes and no active court order requires preservation.

The following is the executive session meeting verbatim recordings available to be destroyed.

Executive Session Verbatim Recordings

12/16/24 – Employee compensation

Staff recommends the destruction of the verbatim recording of the meeting conducted on 12/16/24.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Bauer, second by Commissioner Paul Nobis to destroy the verbatim recording of the meeting conducted on 12/16/24.

Roll call results were as follows:

Ayes: Jeff Rigoni, Paul Nobis, Don Bauer, Max Woods, Patrick Maier

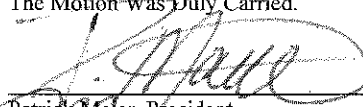
Nays: None

The Motion Was Duly Carried

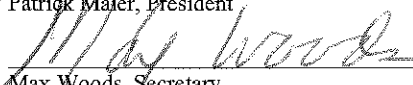
There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion made by Commissioner Jeff Rigoni, second by Commissioner Paul Nobis to adjourn at 7:54 p.m.

All Commissioners Present Voted "AYE".

The Motion Was Duly Carried.



Patrick Maier, President



Max Woods, Secretary