



Mission: To create community

Vision: The “place to be” for exceptional experiences

Core Values: Innovation, Sustainability, Inclusion, and Exceptional Services

**Minutes of the Warrenville Park District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Held on March 19th, 2026**

Call to Order:

President DiCianni called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Commissioner Coons - Present
Commissioner Machowski - Present
Commissioner Thornbury- Present
Commissioner Wilkie - Absent
President DiCianni - Present

Others Present:

Tim Reinbold, Executive Director/Board Secretary
Penny Thrawl, Executive Assistant/HR Manager/Assistant Board Secretary
Linda Straka, Superintendent of Finance & Technology
Gregg Ireland, Superintendent of Parks & Facilities
Sheri Potter, Superintendent of Recreation
Michelle Savage, Office Manager

Approval of March 19th, 2026 Regular Meeting Agenda:

MOTION: Commissioner Thornbury Moved to Approve March 19th, 2026 Regular Meeting Agenda.
Seconded by Commissioner Machowski.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Machowski - Aye	Commissioner Wilkie - Absent
Commissioner Thornbury - Aye	Commissioner Coons - Aye
President DiCianni - Aye	

**4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Wilkie)
MOTION CARRIED.**

Public Comment: No public present.

Introduction of Park Technician Nicolas Rummel: The Superintendent of Parks & Facilities introduced new Park Technician Nicolas Rummel who started with the District last month. Commissioners welcomed Nicolas and invited him to stay for the remainder of the Board Meeting. Nicholas thanked the Board but declined to stay but stated that everyone has been super friendly and welcoming.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Approval of February 19th, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Warrenville Park District Board of Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Machowski Moved to Approve February 19th, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Warrenville Park District Board of Commissioners. Seconded by Commissioner Thornbury.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Machowski - Aye	Commissioner Coons - Aye
Commissioner Thornbury - Absent	Commissioner Wilkie - Absent
President DiCianni - Aye	

**4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Wilkie)
MOTION CARRIED.**

Approval of February 19th, 2026 Closed Session Meeting Minutes of Board of Park Commissioners – Personnel: Closed Session 5 ILCS 122, (c)1, the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual, who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational or education setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel or the public body to determine its validity.

MOTION: Commissioner Machowski Moved to Approve February 19th, 2026 Closed Session Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Thornbury.

Commissioner Machowski asked if it was required to read the Closed Session Statute, verbatim? Following the motion, there was discussion about the time-consuming requirement to read items verbatim and the potential use of a Consent Agenda to streamline the process by allowing multiple items to be approved with a single vote while still permitting Board Members to ask questions or remove items for separate consideration.

General support was expressed, but the topic was deferred to a future agenda discussion, and the meeting continued with a motion on the table.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Machowski - Aye	Commissioner Coons - Aye
Commissioner Wilkie - Absent	Commissioner Thornbury - Aye
President DiCianni - Aye	

**4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Wilkie)
MOTION CARRIED.**

Financial Reports:

Approval of Financial Statement for the Period Ending February 28th, 2026:

MOTION: Commissioner Machowski Moved to Approve the Financial Statements for the period ending February 28th, 2026. Seconded by Commissioner Thornbury.

Roll Call Vote:

**Commissioner Machowski - Aye
Commissioner Coons - Aye
Commissioner DiCianni - Aye**

**Commissioner Wilkie - Absent
Commissioner Thornbury - Aye**

**4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Wilkie).
MOTION CARRIED.**

Approval of Expenditure Report through February 28th, 2026 in the Amount of \$144,882.66:

MOTION: Commissioner Machowski Moved to Approve the Expenditure Report through February 28th, 2026 in the Amount of \$144,882.66. Seconded by Commissioner Coons.

Roll Call Vote:

**Commissioner Machowski - Aye
Commissioner Coons - Aye
President DiCianni - Aye**

**Commissioner Wilkie - Absent
Commissioner Thornbury - Aye**

**4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Wilkie)
MOTION CARRIED.**

Correspondence:

Warrenville Tourism and Arts Commissioner (TAC) Hotel Grant Applications Submitted and Awarded:

- i. Fall Family Fun Fest in the Amount of \$13,671.00
- ii. Lunchtime Live in the Amount of \$3,200.00
- iii. Movies in the Park in the Amount of \$1,158.00
- iv. Multicultural Festival in the Amount of \$ 24,083.00
- v. Art on the Prairie in the Amount of \$17,288.00

Both Sheri Potter, Superintendent of Recreation and Ruth Brackmann, Recreation Supervisor were thanked for all their work in submitting and wrap up when the event is done. It was explained that most of the events are recurring and have received pretty much what is requested. \$59,400 is a substantial and does not include the funding for Summer Daze, which is another \$30,000 to \$40,000.

Old Business

Cerny Park OSLAD Update: The Executive Director explained to the Board that a bid opening was held on February 26th at City Hall, with five (5) bids received ranging from approximately \$820,000 to \$1,061,000. The lowest bid was awarded to Klaus Brothers, Inc., a contractor with positive experience working with Hitchcock. This will differ from the contractor used in phase one.

The City will handle upfront purchases of key items such as splash pad equipment and dugouts. Construction is scheduled to begin shortly after the Fourth of July, with limited updates expected until then. The project is progressing toward completion by late summer next year, with an anticipated opening in 2027.

Additionally, park activity is increasing with improved weather, including the setup of outdoor nets and growing use of facilities for recreation and programming, with more seasonal activities expected to resume soon.

Commissioner Thornbury stated concern that Commissioner Machowski is going to cause a kerfuffle during the meeting. She requested that this be included in the minutes.

New Business

2026-27 Budget Workshop: Superintendent of Finance & Technology Linda Straka addressed the Board and explained that the budget presentation is designed to be high level, it is a big picture of past performance, current status, and the future.

Key highlights from FY2026:

- Major accomplishments included Cerny Park phase one improvements, strong and growing day camp programs, and successful community events like the Multicultural Festival.
- Recreation programs saw growth, including youth basketball participation and expanding personal training services, which exceeded revenue expectations.
- The Citizen Advisory Network expanded and led to enhancements such as improved nutrition options, sensory accommodation, and new programs.
- The District adapted effectively to unexpected challenges, including Rec Center gym water damage.
- Financially, the District performed well, with revenues slightly above projections, expenses under budget, and a projected surplus of over \$1 million.

Operational and capital updates:

- Continued investments in parks, facilities, equipment, and technology (including cybersecurity and system upgrades).
- Grants and sponsorships significantly supported projects, including major funding for park improvements.
- Discussion included sustainability efforts, accessibility improvements, and consideration of sensory-friendly programming.

FY2027 budget outlook:

- Focus on maintaining financial stability while expanding programs, inclusion services, and community engagement initiatives.
- Planned capital projects include continued park improvements, equipment replacements, and facility upgrades.
- Introduction of new initiatives such as a teen advisory group, expanded programming, and technology enhancements (e.g., electronic board materials).
- Modest increases in fees and operating expenses, with a projected surplus of approximately \$865,000.

Additional discussion points:

- Consideration of sensory-friendly facility hours and accessibility features.
- Exploration of hybrid/electric vehicles for future fleet purchases.
- Ongoing efforts to improve facilities, equipment, and user experience.

The presentation concluded with next steps in the budget approval process, including a public hearing and formal adoption at the next board meeting.

Review of Ordinance 2026-03: An Ordinance Providing for the Combined Annual Budget and Appropriation of Funds for Warrenville Park District, DuPage County, Illinois for the Fiscal Year Beginning on the 1st Day of May 2026, and Ending on the 30th Day of April 2027:

It was explained that this is for review only and will come back to the Board for Approval at the April 16th, 2026 Board Meeting

2026 2nd Quarter Special Events Listing: The 2nd Quarter Special Events Listing was included in the Board Packet with the numerous special events taking place.

***It was noticed that the Officials & Staff Reports were inadvertently not included on the Board Agenda, although it was noted that the Executive Director and Staff Reports were included in the Board Packet.**

Closed Session - 5 ILCS 120 2 (C) (1) – The appointment, employment, independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational or education setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity

President DiCianni requested a Motion to Enter Into Closed Session.

MOTION: Commissioner Thornbury Moved to go into CLOSED SESSION – 5 ILCS 120 2 (c) 1 as stated. Seconded by Commissioner Machowski.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Coons - Aye

Commissioner Machowski - Aye

Commissioner Thornbury - Aye

Commissioner Wilkie - Absent

President DiCianni - Aye

4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Wilkie).

MOTION CARRIED.

Go Into CLOSED SESSION @ 5:59 pm

RISE from CLOSED SESSION @ 6:45pm

Open Session Roll Call: Commissioner Wilkie - Absent
Commissioner Thornbury - Present
Commissioner Coons - Present
Commissioner Machowski - Present
President DiCianni - Present

To Take Action, if any, on Matters from Closed Session:

MOTION: Commissioner Thornbury Moved to extend the annual contract of the Executive Director Tim Reinbold (starting April 1st, 2026 and ending March 31st, 2029 with the changes that were discussed in Closed Session. Seconded by Commissioner Coons.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Wilkie - Absent

Commissioner Coons - Aye

Commissioner Machowski - Aye

Commissioner Thornbury - Aye

President DiCianni - Aye

4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Wilkie).

MOTION CARRIED.

Any Other Business that May Properly Come Before the Board for Discussion Only: Commissioner Machowski requested the Board discuss the use of “Consent Agenda”. Commissioner Thornbury explained that the use of “Consent Agenda” is at the discretion of the President and reading of the individual items on the agenda is a decision of the office. “Board Discussion of Use of Consent Agenda” will be added to the April 2026 Regular Board Meeting Agenda.

Adjournment: Commissioner Thornbury Moved to Adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Machowski.
Voice Vote: 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Wilkie). MOTION CARRIED.

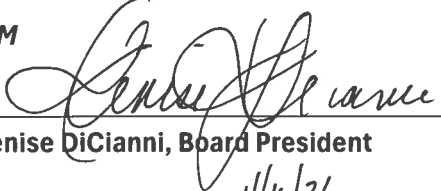
Board Meeting Adjourned at 6:45 PM

Approval



Tim Reinbold, Executive Director

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Denise DiCianni, Board President
4/16/26

Date

10 April 2026

Date