



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 May 21st, 2026**

Call to Order:

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Commissioner Machowski – Present
Commissioner Thornbury – Present
Commissioner Wilkie – Present
Commissioner Coons – Present
President DiCianni – Present

Others Present:

Tim Reinbold, Executive Director/Board Secretary
Penny Thrawl, Executive Assistant/HR Manager/Assistant Board Secretary
Gregg Ireland, Superintendent of Parks & Facilities
Sheri Potter, Superintendent of Recreation
Linda Straka, Superintendent of Finance & Technology
Daniel Cordoba, Marketing Supervisor
Megan Legler, Special Events & Sponsorship Coordinator

Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda for May 21st, 2026

MOTION: Commissioner Wilkie Moved to Approve the May 21st, 2026 Regular Meeting Agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Machowski.

Roll Call Vote:

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

5-Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Absent
MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comment: No public comment

Introduction of Megan Legler, Special Events & Sponsorship Coordinator, and Marketing Supervisor Daniel Cordoba: The Superintendent of Recreation Sheri Potter explained finding candidates who possessed the necessary skills, fit well with the team, and demonstrates a strong commitment to the community seemed challenging, but the hiring process was ultimately very successful.

Megan Legler, Special Events & Sponsorship Coordinator was introduced to the Board. Megan's longstanding involvement with the District and community was highlighted. She was later recognized for her volunteer efforts, including coaching her son's team as well as another team that was in need of a coach despite not having a child on that team. Megan also became actively involved in the Districts' Citizens Advisory Network meetings, is the Inclusion Diversity Equity & Awareness Commission (IDEAC) Chair at the City, all while successfully establishing a homeschool group that has continued to grow and thrive.

Following her application and interview, it was clear that Megan was an ideal fit for the position. Her extensive background in special events and sponsorships, combined with her community involvement, makes her a valuable addition to the team.

The Superintendent of Recreation also introduced Daniel Cordoba, Marketing Supervisor and highlighted the excitement surrounding his application due to his strong background in both Park District and Special Recreation Association (SRA) programming. His extensive community involvement was also noted, demonstrating a commitment to service beyond his professional experience.

Daniel's volunteer work with the Shriners and Masonic Lodge was recognized as an example of his dedication to the community. During the interview process, he was well received by the Recreation Team, with consensus that he would be an excellent fit for the District.

His ability to speak Spanish was identified as an additional asset that has already benefited operations. As an example, Spanish-language sponsorship and soccer registration materials were prepared for distribution at Johnson School. The Recreation Staff expressed enthusiasm about welcoming Daniel to the team and the contributions he will bring to the department.

Commissioners introduced themselves and welcomed both to District.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Approval of April 16th, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners

Approval of Financial Statements for the period ending April 30th, 2026

Approval of Expenditure Report through April 30th, 2026 in the Amount of \$188,515.15

MOTION: Commissioner Machowski Moved to Approve the Consent Agenda for the Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting on May 21st, 2026 which consists of:

- April 16th, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes;
- Financial Report for the period ending April 30th, 2026, and;
- Expenditure Report through April 30th, 2026 in the Amount of \$188,515.15.

Seconded by Commissioner Wilkie.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Machowski - Aye
Commissioner Thornbury - Aye
President DiCianni - Aye

Commissioner Coons -Aye
Commissioner Wilkie - Aye

5-Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Absent

MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence

Received Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the Districts' Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended April 30th 2026:

The Superintendent of Finance & Technology Linda Straka was congratulated for receiving the Government Financial Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the District's Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30th, 2025.

PDRMA's 2026 "At a Glance Report for the District": A high-level overview of the PDRMA (Park District Annual Report) was presented. Board members were informed that the full annual report was available for review. The summary report highlights key areas of support provided by PDRMA, including wellness initiatives, risk management services, legal services, education and training programs, and rate stabilization efforts. The report serves as an overview of how PDRMA supports and benefits the agency.

Old Business

Cerny Park OSLAD Update: Phase II: The Executive Director stated that we are another month closer to construction beginning. A pre-construction meeting will be held on June 3rd, which will lay the groundwork for everything that's going to take place right after the fourth of July, and will begin construction and moving on with Phase II.

New Business

Board Officer Seat Nominations – 2026-27:

Election of Board Officers 2026 - 2027: The Executive Director explained that the Board discussed this at the April 16th, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners. The current President will preside over the elections and will need to call for nominations for each office.

Election of Board President – 2026-27:

Commissioner Machowski Nominated Commissioner Thornbury for President, with Commissioner Wilkie in agreement.

Commissioner Thornbury explained that she will not be running for the Board. She stated that she will finish her term next spring, so this will be her last year as she feels we need new blood. She feels it would be fitting and an honor to be the President, one more for the road.

MOTION: Commissioner Machowski moved to elect Commissioner Thornbury to the President's seat for the 2026–2027 Fiscal Year. Seconded by President DiCianni.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Wilkie - Aye

Commissioner Machowski - Aye

Commissioner Coons - Aye

Commissioner Thornbury - Abstain

President DiCianni - Aye

4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Absent, 1-Abstention (Thornbury)

MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Thornbury accepted the seat of President and presided over the remainder of the Board Meeting.

Election of Vice President – 2026-2027:

Commissioner Wilkie Nominated Himself for the Seat of Vice President. Seconded by Commissioner Coons.

MOTION: Commissioner Wilkie moved to elect himself to the Vice President's seat for the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year. Seconded by Commissioner Coons.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Machowski - Aye

Commissioner Coons - Aye

Commissioner DiCianni - Aye

Commissioner Wilkie - Abstain

President Thornbury - Aye

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

MOTION CARRIES.

Appointment of Board Treasurer - 2026-27:

MOTION: Commissioner DiCianni moved to appoint Commissioner Machowski to the seat of Board Treasurer. Seconded by Commissioner Thornbury.

Roll Call Vote:

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

4-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent, 1-Abstention (Machowski)

MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment of Board Vice Treasurer - 2026-27:

MOTION: Commissioner Coons Moved to Appoint Commissioner DiCianni to the Seat of Vice Treasurer. Seconded by Commissioner Wilkie.

Roll Call Vote:

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

5-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent

MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment of Board Secretary - 2026-27: It was explained that historically this has been the Executive Director.

MOTION: Commissioner Wilkie appointed Executive Director Tim Reinbold to the seat of Board Secretary. Seconded by Commissioner Machowski.

Roll Call Vote:

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

5-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent

MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment of Assistant Board Secretary - 2026-27: It was explained that historically this has been the Executive Assistant.

MOTION: Commissioner Wilkie moved to appoint the Executive Assistant/HR Manager Penny Thrawl to the seat of Assistant Board Secretary. Seconded by Commissioner DiCianni.

Roll Call Vote:

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

5-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent, MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment of Executive Director – 2026-27:

MOTION: Commissioner Wilkie moved to appoint Tim Reinbold as Executive Director of the Warrenville Park District. Seconded by Commissioner Coons.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Coons - Aye
Commissioner Wilkie - Aye
President Thornbury - Aye

Commissioner DiCianni - Aye
Commissioner Machowski - Aye

5-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent
MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment of Park District Attorney - 2026-27:

MOTION: Commissioner Coons moved to appoint Attorney Thomas Hoffman as the District Attorney. Seconded by Commissioner Wilkie.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner DiCianni - Aye
Commissioner Coons - Aye
President Thornbury - Abstain

Commissioner Machowski - Nay
Commissioner Wilkie - Aye

3-Ayes, 1-Nay (Machowski), 0-Absent, 1-Abstention (Thornbury)
MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment of ADA Compliance Officer - 2026-27: Historically, Executive Director Tim Reinbold has been appointed in the seat.

MOTION: Commissioner Coons Moved to Appoint Executive Director Tim Reinbold as the District ADA Compliance Officer. Seconded by Commissioner Wilkie.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Coons - Aye
Commissioner Wilkie - Aye
President Thornbury - Aye

Commissioner DiCianni - Aye
Commissioner Machowski - Aye

5-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent
MOTION CARRIED.

Board Designation of Open Meetings Act Officer (Executive Director) or more officials/employees to successfully complete the Illinois Attorney General Open Meetings Act (OMA) annual training requirement - 2026-27:

MOTION: Commissioner DiCianni Moved to Designate Executive Director Tim Reinbold as the Open Meetings Act Officer. Seconded by Commissioner Coons.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner DiCianni - Aye
Commissioner Coons - Aye
President Thornbury – Aye

Commissioner Wilkie - Aye
Commissioner Machowski - Aye

5-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent, MOTION CARRIED.

Board Designation of Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officer (Executive Director & Executive Assistant) to Successfully Complete the Illinois Attorney Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Training on an Annual Basis - 2026-27:

MOTION: Commissioner Wilkie Moved to Designate the Executive Director Tim Reinbold and Executive Assistant/HR Manager Penny Thrawl as the District's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officer(s). Seconded by Commissioner Coons.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner DiCianni - Aye
Commissioner Machowski - Aye
President Thornbury - Aye

Commissioner Coons - Aye
Commissioner Wilkie - Aye

5-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent

MOTION CARRIED.

Board Designation of Ethics Advisor (Executive Director / Park District Attorney) who shall provide guidance to the officers and employees concerning the interpretation of and compliance with provisions of Ordinance 2004-03, (Article 15) and State Ethics Laws - 2026-26:

MOTION: Commissioner Coons Designated Executive Director Tim Reinbold and Park District Attorney Thomas Hoffman to be the Ethics Advisor for the Park District. Seconded by Commissioner Wilkie.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Wilkie - Aye
Commissioner DiCianni - Aye
President Thornbury - Aye

Commissioner Machowski - Aye
Commissioner Coons - Aye

5-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent

MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment by Board President (with Advice and Consent of the Board of Park Commissioners) three members to the Ethics Committee of the Warrenville Park District: After a short discussion, President Thornbury appointed herself, Commissioner Wilkie and Commissioner Coons to the District's Ethics Committee.

MOTION: Commissioner Machowski Moved to Accept the appointment of herself, Commissioner Wilkie and Commissioner Coons to the Ethics Committee of the Warrenville Park District, along with the Executive Director also sitting on this Committee Seconded by Commissioner DiCianni.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Machowski - Aye
Commissioner Wilkie - Aye
President Thornbury - Aye

Commissioner DiCianni - Aye
Commissioner Coons - Aye

5-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent

MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Commissioner(s) Attendance at NRPA Conference September 29th- October 1st, 2026 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Executive Director Tim Reinbold explained that this year's NRPA Conference is set to take place September 29th through October 1st, 2026 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The District has budgeted for two other individuals to attend besides himself, and Commissioner Wilkie (approved to attend at the April Board Meeting), leaving one open.

No other Commissioners voiced their desire to attend the conference.

Summer Daze Discussion/Update: Executive Director Tim Reinbold reported that the initial Summer Daze kickoff meeting was held, and planning efforts are underway, with various departments already working on their assigned areas. The District has received the 24-hour liquor license from the City and is in the process of applying for the required State License under a revised application procedure. Tents, tables, stage, and entertainment have been secured. Staff have coordinated with Euclid Beverage, Countryside, the City, and Police Department, with additional coordination planned with the Fire Department. The Car Show planning is complete, and overall preparations are progressing well.

The Board discussed potential beer pricing increases due to rising costs. Staff noted that Euclid has not indicated any significant pricing changes at this time, and the District's \$5 beer price has remained consistent for several years. Discussion included balancing increased costs, customer expectations, cash-handling logistics, potential impacts on sales, and maintaining the District's partnership with the City. Staff will review historical data, including beer sales, revenue, payment methods, and pricing trends, and provide information for future discussion. Staff will determine pricing for the current event based on final vendor costs and continue evaluating future adjustments.

Staff also provided an update regarding Euclid Beverage sponsorship support. Euclid has indicated they intend to provide \$2,000 in sponsorship support this year, including making up for the prior year's missed contribution. Staff will continue to follow up regarding sponsorship funds, cups, signage, and promotional support.

Approval of District Goals & Objectives for 2026-27 Fiscal Year:

MOTION: Commissioner Wilkie Move to Approve the Goals and Objectives for the 2026-27 Fiscal Year. Seconded by Commissioner DiCianni.

Executive Director Reinbold presented the proposed 2026-27 District Goals & Objectives, which had been distributed to the Board for review at the prior meeting and will continue to report to the Board on quarterly basis.

During discussion, President Thornbury requested that staff cross-reference each goal with the District's mission and values, with a brief notation under each goal indicating how it aligns; the Board agreed that this alignment could be brought back at the first-quarter update.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Machowski - Aye
Commissioner Coons - Aye
President Thornbury - Aye

Commissioner Wilkie - Aye
Commissioner DiCianni - Aye

5-Ayes, 0-Nay, 0-Absent
MOTION CARRIED.

Officials & Staff Reports

President: *President Thornbury* reported on several recent activities and suggestions: She reported that she is serving on the *City's Steering Committee for the More Informed Mercantile Project*. While there is no public opening date available yet, she noted that progress is being made. She also shared that she has encouraged the City to coordinate Mercantile hours and events with Warrenville Park District events (such as Fall Fest and Holly Days). In addition, she suggested the City consider a trolley or shuttle between sites to increase participation and create more citywide, connected events.

Morton Arboretum Focus Group & Playground Accessibility

Commissioner Thornbury shared that she is participating in a focus group with the Morton Arboretum regarding the redesign of the children's area, having been invited after previously providing critical feedback. As part of this work, she has visited several innovative regional playgrounds and highlighted Harvester Park in Burr Ridge as particularly impressive, while noting that it falls short on accessibility.

She emphasized that accessibility must go beyond physical disabilities to include needs such as low vision, hearing impairments, and sensory sensitivities. She cited Morton's addition of a sensory-free quiet zone and recommended creating additional quiet zones given the size of the area. She also noted the potential for features that help parents locate or communicate with deaf or hard of hearing children.

Concerns and Aspirations for District Playgrounds

She expressed concern that the District may have "lost its way" somewhat in playground development, often defaulting to smaller, standard installations that are limited by funding and a "good enough" mindset. She reminded the Board that the current Community Center was achieved by aiming higher than "good enough" and aggressively pursuing donations and grants, and she encouraged applying that same approach to playgrounds.

She urged a renewed focus on accessibility, innovation, and uniqueness, and provided several low-cost examples. These included the use of simple natural features, such as downed trees and boulders, and the creation of a mud play area similar to Morton's "mud kitchen," which could be as simple as a designated mud play zone at Sesquicentennial Park. She also suggested a music play area like that at Harvester Park, using inexpensive items (such as pots, pans, metal spoons, and pie tins) mounted on a structure to create a unique, interactive experience. She encouraged staff and the Board to seek small, creative, and affordable ideas that would distinguish Warrenville's parks from those in neighboring communities.

Second-Language Proficiency Incentive

Commissioner Thornbury noted that the City offers a \$500 annual bonus to staff who demonstrate proficiency in a second language through a verification process. She suggested that the District explore a similar benefit to encourage staff to maintain and use bilingual or trilingual skills, to enhance service to a diverse community, and to provide an additional recruitment and retention tool. She further recommended contacting the City to learn which vendor or program they use and how the benefit is administered.

Commissioners:

Commissioner DiCianni reported a busy month of events including pickleball, Spring Swing, Road Rally, the Dance Recital and the Bike Rodeo. The Dance Show was described as very successful, with the second performance oversold to approximately 500 attendees with only minor issues; the live background music was well received, and participants did an excellent job.

Minor housekeeping issues at the playground were promptly addressed by staff. Commissioners noted the strong use of Cerny Park and the Pickleball Courts, including families and children, and thanked staff for ongoing park maintenance, while also acknowledging that Cerny remains a City park for major upkeep.

Commissioner Wilkie stated that he attended the Arbor Day event, which was well received and a great turnout, it was fun.

He also stated that he has been visiting some of the parks and thanked the Superintendent of Parks & Facilities Gregg Ireland and Parks Department staff as they are doing an excellent job in maintaining everything outside, as well as inside.

He also noted that the District has held a new and innovative program, "Kitten Yoga". A total Four kittens were adopted through this program. The Superintendent of Recreation explained how the program ran. Saint Sophia's Feline Rescue emailed all the participants prior to the class to get preapproved for adoption, if the participants thought they potentially may take a kitten home. It was also noted that this program will be offered again in the near future.

Commissioner Coons stated that she is looking forward to all the summer activities to come to. Along with Summer Camp starting June 1st. She congratulated staff on the large number of all the programs and activities that are happening over the summer. Who knew Kitten Yoga would be so popular.

President Thornbury stated that when at Harding Field, parents expressed concern that the north side of the field lacks a fence, allowing children to access the service road which provides access behind Public Works. They reported that children who are not actively playing, tend to wander into the treed area near the service road, where they horse around, forcing parents to constantly to go over and pull them back. There was uncertainty as to why the City did not include a fence on the north side when the park was originally developed.

It was stated that part of the land to the north and west of the service road is wetlands and subject to easements, which may limit or complicate installing a fence. Commissioner Thornbury stated that the group agreed that they do not know the City's original reasoning, but there was openness to speaking with the City and considering a fence as a possible project in the future budget cycle rather than the current one.

The conversation then shifted to Cerny Park where it was reported that the park is being well used. On weekends, the pickleball courts and playground are busy, and the overall activity level is high. The earlier discussions about noise affecting nearby residents were revisited; Commissioner Coons stated that with their windows open, they did not hear any disruptive sound. Several examples positive examples of community use were shared. This illustrated that the courts and playground are being actively and positively used. In addition, a resident had thanked a member of the group for routinely pulling in the trash cans once a week, indicating appreciation for the ongoing care of the park facilities.

Executive Director: The Executive Director reported on the following:

Board Tablets: Next month, Andrew Sheridan from Links will be in attendance. One of our goals for next year is to provide the board with tablets to receive all the documents in the Board Packets. He will be starting that process to get you familiar with what's going on. The Executive Director noted that he thinks by fall it should be up and running in order to have the packets in electronic form.

Amy Emery, Community and Economic Development Director: Executive Director Tim Reinbold reported meeting with Amy Emery, Community and Economic Development Director at the City to discuss the various developments in town, including projects in Cantera and at the Two Brothers facility. Amy Emery from the City is scheduled to attend the September Board Meeting to provide an update for the Board.

The District is also working with the City to identify properties that may be for sale and suitable for future District use or development. A Closed Session may be needed in the future on land Acquisition later in the summer or early fall to review option and discuss priorities.

Commissioner Wilkie noted that the Woodland property will not be available for at least for another two to three years. There was additional discussion about the Alby property, including the possibility of acquiring the house and the lot to create parking and potentially a playground in that area, which would serve nearby families, particularly on Curtis.

Fruit Trees: The Executive Director reported that fruit trees have been planted at Summerlakes Park in partnership with the Arboretum, creating a new tree nursery at that site.

Sesquicentennial Park: The Executive Director reported the Superintendent of Parks & Facilities Gregg Ireland and staff have been working on the topography near the pickleball courts and installing a bioswale. Fencing around the pickleball courts is scheduled for installation next week, after which the fence will be color coated. The old basketball court footings will be removed and new footings installed for the replacement basketball court.

Three playground design options have been received and will be taken to the community for input with playground installation planned as a fall project. This is the last week to see this before it goes out to the community.

The Executive Director stated that the Playground design packets will be distributed to Commissioners by email or delivery and develop a schedule for public input, including the Multicultural Fest, neighborhood meetings, lunchtime live, etc. The Executive Director asked Commissioners to review the designs individually and to provide feedback promptly so any changes can be made before finalizing the plans, recognizing that playgrounds are long-term (20 year) investments. The Executive Director explained that redesigning may require returning to the playground company and incurring additional costs.

The Board and staff discussed playground accessibility from the perspective of adults and caregivers, noting that some existing equipment is difficult for adults to navigate when trying to reach or assist children. Concerns were raised about tight, low-clearance areas, fast slides, and design features (e.g., rock walls, tightropes) that create “stuck zones” and safety challenges when quickly reaching a child. There was support for ensuring new playground designs—especially at Sesquicentennial Park—avoid repeating these issues and consider adult usability and accessibility alongside children’s play needs.

Current playground designs are already in hand and will be distributed to Board members by next week for review.

Summerlakes Park Future Renovations: Looking ahead, the Executive Director stated that Summerlakes is expected to be the next playground replacement in roughly five years. Commissioner Thornbury encouraged Commissioners on the Board to make Summerlakes a model playground for full inclusion and accessibility—not just with accessible surfacing and transfer stations, but with equipment that enables children with disabilities to actively play with peers. Because Summerlakes is a larger community park, it is considered the best candidate for a highly inclusive design supported by outside donations and grants.

The Executive Director explained that the District recently received an additional \$40,000 in DECO funding allocated specifically for Summerlakes Park to support more family-oriented amenities (not a playground replacement at this time). The \$40,000 is in addition to the previously allocated \$300,000 from Representative Yang Rohr’s office for Sesquicentennial Park. Summerlakes future renovation needs and accessibility goals have been communicated to her and are on her radar for the coming years.

Legislative Conference: The Executive Director reported on the recent IAPD Legislative Conference in Springfield. In addition to meeting with Representative Yang Rohr and other local legislators (including Senator Lewis and Senator Elman), the Executive Director attended a briefing by Illinois Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias on e-bikes, e-scooters, and other electronic devices. Currently, there is no clear local authority to regulate these devices, and law enforcement has limited mechanisms to address their use; however, proposed changes would shift regulatory authority to local governments, which IAPD has been advocating for and expects to move forward. Locally, the District and the Police Department have already taken the position that such devices will not be allowed at Summer Days or in the parks, with signage to be installed at the Fourth of July event.

The Executive Director also updated the Board on the Illinois Department of Early Childhood (IDEC), a new state entity assuming oversight of all early childhood programming. As currently framed, IDEC's approach would require licensing for virtually all early childhood-related activities, including small, short-duration programs such as a four-child cooking class. IAPD and its legal counsel have argued that this conflicts with existing laws, and the Executive Director has communicated the District's opposition to local legislators, emphasizing that such requirements would create a significant administrative burden and could severely impact park district programming. IAPD believes some progress has been made and is pursuing a carve-out for Park Districts; the Executive Director will report back next month once the legislative session concludes.

Apparel Order: The Executive Director reminded Commissioners that staff apparel orders will be placed early next week and asked that clothing order forms be returned promptly.

Department Heads: The ***Superintendent of Recreation Sheri Potter*** stated that Summer Camp registrations continue to come in strong, with an average of 187 kids per week and five (5) in before/aftercare.

Next week there will be an *All-Staff Training* ahead of summer programming, which includes CPR and First Aid. As part of the training, WDSRA will provide a disability awareness program featuring stations on physical disability, visual impairment, intellectual disability, hearing impairment, and autism, with the goal of preparing camp and all staff to foster a welcoming, wellbeing-focused environment.

The Superintendent of Recreation stated that looking ahead to fall programming several programs are planned: the Fall Frenzy Softball Tournament, additional One-day Tournaments that have been successful, another Pickleball Social Tournament, and a new Freeze-Out Dodgeball Tournament for Kids.

Recreation Supervisor Ruth Brackmann is introducing "Forever Young," a prom-style event for active adults, while the Brew Trot event is being phased out and will not continue.

In a recent brainstorming session with Megan Legler, Special Events & Sponsorship Coordinator and FitnessNOW Supervisor Nick Bovio, developed a concept for a Zombie Run at St. James Farm, tentatively titled "Run for Your Life." This idea remains in the concept stage while the team confirms that St. James Farm is an appropriate and workable venue.

The Superintendent of Recreation also noted that the Multicultural Fest will be held on Saturday, June 13th, all entertainment has been booked, and the stage is scheduled to be delivered.

The Superintendent of Parks & Facilities stated that with spring, the Parks Department is very active. The Parks Department got a good head start on Sesqui Park today with grading around all the courts and is hoping the grading will be completed tomorrow as the Executive Director alluded to the fencing company being here next week to install the fencing and work with the Color Coat Company to receive them as soon as possible,

The Superintendent of Parks & Facilities stated that he received a call from a resident today, and was happy that the District is putting pickleball in at Sesqui, the game is still popular. He stated that there is still one to two more weeks of soccer, and baseball is also in full swing right now. Spring is always a busy time for the Parks Department.

Superintendent of Finance & Technology Linda Straka stated that the District is now in the new Fiscal Year 2026-27 and is working on year end. She explained the financials in the Board Packet are preliminary as there is still adjusting that needs to be done before the auditors come on June 22nd and 24th, 2026.

The Superintendent of Finance & Technology stated that the Executive Director previously reported that Links will visit next month. She explained they will provide a high-level overview of current IT/security status, how Links operate, and how they keep the organization secure.

Commissioners are encouraged to bring questions or concerns about email access, systems access, and general IT/security practices; Andrew Sheridan has been the primary point of contact since the District started working with Links. Commissioners briefly reflected on a past security breach, noting that Links were proactive in switching systems “in the nick of time,” which helped avoid a potentially serious incident. Links were described as a strong and proactive partner.

The Superintendent of Finance & Technology explained the District is currently migrating our data this fiscal year. Links are now doing some different backup type systems and moving around how we do things. They will be working on the server system. Links is constantly on the cutting edge of getting things secure for the District because the criminals are always finding ways for access.

She explained that Links will also be implementing a new backup system, reworking server systems and related infrastructure, focusing on maintaining security to stay ahead of the evolving criminal activity. It was noted that enhanced security measures (such as multi-factor/“three-party” verification similar to banks calling or texting for confirmation) can make access slightly more cumbersome for staff but are necessary and beneficial.

The Superintendent stated that the auditors will be on-site next month and will return later in June.

Any Other Business that may come before the Board for Discussion Only:

Adjournment: Commissioner Wilkie moved to Adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Coons.

Voice Vote: 5-Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjourned at 6:21 P:M

Approval

President Thornbury, President

Date

Tim Reinbold, Board Secretary
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Date