

**Wildwood Park District  
Regular Board Meeting  
Rule House 33325 N. Sears Boulevard Wildwood, IL 60030  
June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 7:00pm**

Minutes

**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**II. Roll Call:**

**Present:** Commissioners Anna Nelson, Doug Dietzen, Becky Jante, Matt Brueck

**Absent:** Dan Corrigan

**Park District Staff Present:** Brandon Magnini, Executive Director, Katherine Atkins, Accountant.

**III. Approval of Agenda – Regular Board Meeting – Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**A.** President Jante entertained a motion to approve the Agenda of the Regular Board Meeting of Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as presented. So moved, Commissioner Nelson. Seconded, Commissioner Dietzen. All in favor, motion carries.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

**A. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

President Jante entertained a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025. So moved, Commissioner Brueck. Seconded, Commissioner Nelson. All in favor, motion carries.

**B. Minutes of the FY 2025-2026 Budget and Appropriations Hearing – Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

President Jante entertained a motion to approve the Minutes of the FY 2025-2026 Budget and Appropriations Hearing of Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025. So moved, Commissioner Nelson. Seconded, Commissioner Dietzen. All in favor, motion carries.

**V. Matters From the Public**

No Matters from the Public.

**VI. Financial Report**

The Financial Report was read. President Jante entertained a motion to accept the Financial Report as presented. So moved, Commissioner Nelson. Seconded, Commissioner Brueck. Roll Call: Commissioner Nelson, aye, Commissioner Dietzen, aye, Commissioner Jante, aye, Commissioner Brueck, aye. All in favor, motion carries.

**VII. WSRA:** During the meeting on May 28<sup>th</sup>, the WSRA Board approved their FY 2025-2026 Budget and reviewing their end of previous fiscal year report. WSRA Board Meetings will now be on the third Monday of the month, which will always take place before the Park District's regularly scheduled Board Meetings at 7:00pm.

**VIII. GLCC**

Director Magnini included in the Board Packet notes from TIGRIS and their SePro test lab results from the Sonar lake treatment follow-up visit. Discussion. Overall observations have shown the invasive weeds are dying and the Sonar treatment continues to work as advertised. The 90-day irrigation restrictions were removed as indicated by TIGRIS and communicated online by the Park District.

A brief overview of the changes and re-location that had to be made to the carp/seaweed composting project to not cause issues with the neighbors around Twin Lakes Park was discussed. Moving forward, the Park District will communicate with GLCC that we will no longer take fish for any type of disposal at any park/facility. Any fish will need to be removed out of the community. The Park District will still explore composting of the seaweed this summer in a limited capacity. Signage and barriers were placed around the composting bags which had been relocated into the treeline across the large field at Twin Lakes away from any residents.

## **IX. Valley Lake Report**

Director Magnini reported quite a few resident concerns and well-earned dissatisfaction with the lake conditions prior to the upcoming Copper Sulfate treatment scheduled for 6/17. Included was Park District communication to the residents giving them updates on the lake and our acknowledgement of the frustration they feel and ways to improve. ILM has confirmed they will treat with Copper Sulfate on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June, which has historically helped the lake return to normal conditions. The treatment reports from 5/15, 5/21, and 6/4 were included. Maj Kowalski's volunteer lake monitoring reports (VLMP) were included as well.

## **X. Staff Reports**

### **A. Recreation/Administration**

The Recreation/Administration Report was read. Discussion.

#### **I. Financial Sustainability Report:**

The Financial Sustainability Certificate Program Report was read. Discussion. Director Magnini included a detailed breakdown of the lessons and takeaways from the 2.5 day conference in Hoffman Estates in May which will provide District leadership with fresh perspectives on spending money wisely and seeking out efficiencies in programming/operations.

### **B. Maintenance**

The Maintenance Report was read. Discussion.

### **C. Marketing/Promotions**

The Marketing/Promotions Report was read. Discussion.

### **D. Park Safety**

The Park Safety Report was read. Discussion.

## **XI. Unfinished Business**

*No Unfinished Business*

## **XII. New Business**

### **Triple H Mulch Blown-In Playground Mulch Service Quote for Valley South/Sunset/Willow Point**

- A.** President Jante entertained a motion to approve the Triple H Mulch and Firewood LLC blown-in service proposal in the amount of \$1,900.00 as presented to refresh the engineered wood fiber playground mulch levels at Valley South/Sunset/Willow Point playgrounds. So moved, Commissioner Dietzen. Seconded, Commissioner Nelson. Roll Call: Commissioner Nelson, aye, Commissioner Dietzen, aye, Commissioner Jante, aye, Commissioner Brueck, aye. All in favor, motion carries.

### **B. Willow Point Park Dead Tree Removal Quotes for Review:**

Quotes to remove two large dead Bur Oaks along the Willow Point Park walking path adjacent to Rule Ct. were reviewed. Quotes were submitted by Rivas Tree Service (\$4,300.00), Woody's Tree Service (\$3,200.00), and Clean Cut Tree Service (\$1,980.00). President Jante entertained a motion to approve the Clean Cut proposal in the amount of \$1,980.00 as presented to remove the two dead Bur Oaks along the Willow Point Park walking path. So moved, Commissioner Nelson. Seconded, Commissioner Brueck. Roll Call: Commissioner Nelson, aye, Commissioner Dietzen, aye, Commissioner Jante, aye,

Commissioner Brueck, aye. All in favor, motion carries

**C. Old Park Entry Signs Management Discussion:**

Discussion was had regarding the old wooden park entry signs that are due for replacement in 2025-2026. New park entry signs were approved by the Board at the end of FY 2024-2025 through Sign Central. Recommendation was to keep one old sign for Wildwood Park District 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/Harvest Fest and dispose of the rest.

**D. Willow Point Park Shoreline Stabilization:**

Director Magnini presented the completed permit application and proposed design map to the US Army Core of Engineers and Lake County Building and Development divisions for the planned shoreline stabilization project at Willow Point Park. Discussion and decisions will be made at future Board Meetings to cover pricing on materials/approving quotes/bids when necessary and any other changes. Discussion. Item will remain on agenda moving forward.

**Other Business**

Director Magnini reported that the swing set at Valley South Park that was heavily damaged from the previous windstorm that came through had the fallen tree removed and the manufacturer was shipping the new equipment within the next week or two to remove the old set and install the new. Claim is being processed through PDRMA for insurance purposes and the District will only be responsible for the \$1,000.00 deductible as part of our property/casualty coverage. Will update when more information is available.

General discussion about what could be included with the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Park District event in 2026. Suggestion is to combine those elements into Harvest Fest.

Harvest Fest Committee Member and longtime Wildwood Resident Ellen Dimock presented the Park District with a check from her son's "Joey Fund" to be utilized by the Park District in whichever way the Park District sees fit. Staff will offer Ellen the opportunity to hear some proposed uses for the funds to make sure it is being utilized for a worthwhile improvement in the parks. The check will be deposited into the Park District's account for now.

**XIV. Matters from the Public**

No further Matters from the Public.

**XV. Closed Session**

The Board did not move into Closed Session.

**XVII. Adjournment**

President Jante entertained a motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 8:23pm. So moved, Commissioner Brueck. Seconded, Commissioner Dietzen. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.

  
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