

Wildwood Park District
Regular Board Meeting
Rule House 33325 N. Sears Blvd, Wildwood, IL 60030
Monday, December 15th, 2025, 7:00 PM

Minutes

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- II. **Roll Call:**
Present: Commissioners Becky Jante, Anna Nelson, Dan Corrigan, Doug Dietzen, Matt Brueck
Absent: None
- Park District Staff Present:** Brandon Magnini, Executive Director, Michael Dykes, Maintenance Supervisor, Kathy Atkins, Accountant.
- III. **Approval of Agenda – Regular Board Meeting – Monday, December 15th, 2025**
President Jante entertained a motion to approve the Agenda of the Regular Board Meeting of the Wildwood Park District of Monday, December 15th, 2025, as presented. So Moved: Commissioner Corrigan, Second: Commissioner Dietzen. All in favor, motion carried.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes – Regular Board Meeting – Monday, November 17th, 2025**
President Jante entertained a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Monday, November 17th, 2025, as presented. So Moved: Commissioner Nelson, Second: Commissioner Brueck. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. **Matters from the Public**
- Several residents that reside around Valley Lake were present. Susan Losch, Sally Mahan, Cliff Ward, and Kay Mazzuca were officially signed in.
- Sally Mahan expressed her concern with TIGRIS as a potential lake treatment company. She stated that she noticed substantial algae underneath the frozen ice last winter that had not been dealt with prior to the end of the summer season. She stated that made it so that it would be a tough year for Valley Lake in 2025 with the existing conditions, road construction, and other factors while putting ILM behind in their treatment process for 2025.
- Cliff Ward expressed that the residents were looking for a comprehensive plan to treat the lake and that the approach in the past has been just a band-aid.
- Jan Ward introduced herself as an environmental educator with the Lake County Forest Preserves. She stated that she had never seen such bad algae in the spring of 2025 that early. She did not think spraying and sinking the algae was a best practice while suggesting using a harvester and non-chemical practices instead. She suggested looking for grants and educating the homeowners on best practices for their lawn care in respect to the lake. She also did not think the use of Copper Sulfate to manage the swimmers itch concern was a best practice.

VI. Financial Report

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

VII. WSRA

The next Regular Board Meeting will take place on January 26th, 2026. Their December 8th program participant holiday party was well attended.

VIII. GLCC

The GLCC will be hosting their Ice Golf event on Saturday, January 24th in the channel.

IX. Valley Lake Report

A. 2026 Lake Treatment Proposals for Review

Proposals from McCloud Aquatics, Cason Land & Water Management LLC, and TIGRIS were reviewed. Jennifer Biancalana of TIGRIS was in attendance to present the Board the 2026 treatment proposal and answer questions. Discussion. President Jante entertained a motion to approve the 2026 Valley Lake Treatment Proposal from TIGRIS in an amount up to \$25,000.00 as presented. So Moved: Commissioner Corrigan, Second: Commissioner Brueck. Roll Call: Commissioner Nelson, aye, Commissioner Dietzen, aye, Commissioner Brueck, aye, Commissioner Corrigan, aye, Commissioner Jante, aye. All in favor, motion carried.

B. Formation of Valley Lake Committee of the Board

Director Magnini stated that the “Friends of Valley Lake” group did not give an indication they had interest in formalizing as a Committee of the Board. Discussion. Item will remain on agenda for the January Regular Meeting.

X. Staff Reports

A. Recreation/Administration – report was read. Discussion

B. Maintenance – report was read. Discussion

C. Marketing/Promotions – report was read. Discussion

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. IPRA Soaring to New Heights Conference Per Diem

President Jante entertained a motion to approve an up to amount of \$92 per day per diem for the 2026 IAPD/IPRA Soaring to New Heights Conference for Commissioner Anna Nelson, Executive Director Brandon Magnini, and Maintenance Supervisor Michael Dykes. Two days each for Commissioner Nelson and Supervisor Dykes at \$184.00 per individual. \$230.00 for Director Magnini for 2.5 days. Grand total of \$598.00. So Moved: Commissioner Nelson, Second: Commissioner Dietzen. Roll Call: Commissioner Nelson, aye, Commissioner Dietzen, aye, Commissioner Brueck, aye, Commissioner Corrigan, aye, Commissioner Jante, aye. All in favor, motion carried.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2026-2029 Strategic Plan – Board of Commissioners Workshop Discussion

Director Magnini asked the Board to consider a date in January to hold a Special Meeting for a Board Strategic Planning Workshop. Discussion. The Board agreed to hold this meeting on Wednesday, January 14th, 2026 at 6:00pm. Director Magnini will post the meeting according to the Open Meetings Act.

B. 2014 Gator Starter Replacement Work for Approval

President Jante entertained a motion to approve the AHW LLC Quote #12-10-000 for the replacement of the starter, battery, neutral start switch, flushing of coolant system, and installation of WPD provided drive belt replacement for the 2014 John Deere Gator (pickup and delivery included) for a total of \$1,130.00 as presented. So Moved: Commissioner Corrigan, Second: Commissioner Nelson. Roll Call: Commissioner Nelson, aye, Commissioner Dietzen, aye, Commissioner Brueck, aye, Commissioner Corrigan, aye, Commissioner Jante, aye. All in favor, motion carried.

C. Review of Room/Pavilion Rental Policy for WPD Staff – 2026

Discussion. President Jante entertained a motion to amend Section 5.1 of the Park District Personnel Policy Manual under “Programs and Park Usage” and the Wildwood Park District Benefit and Vacation Policy Document to allow for the waiver of fees and ability to rent one pavilion OR room per year for WPD Staff (regardless of residency) that have met the position classification qualifications as presented. Restrictions would be placed on holidays. So Moved: Commissioner Corrigan, Second: Commissioner Brueck. All in favor, motion carried.

D. Annual Fees for 2026

President Jante entertained a motion to approve the Annual Fees for 2026 as presented based off of Staff recommendations provided in the Board Packet. So Moved: Commissioner Nelson, Second: Commissioner Dietzen. Roll Call: Commissioner Nelson, aye, Commissioner Dietzen, aye, Commissioner Brueck, aye, Commissioner Corrigan, aye, Commissioner Jante, aye. All in favor, motion carried.

XIII. **Other Business** – No Other Business.

XIV. **Matters from the Public** –

Mariana Ruano thanked the Board for their time and interest in keeping the lake healthy. She will be working with Director Magnini to coordinate Friends of Valley Lake meetings in 2026. She also recommended the District take a proactive approach to treatment and get the treatment company more involved in the comprehensive management of the lake and get volunteers involved in lake health and cleanup.

XV. **Closed Session** – The Board did not move into Closed Session

XVI. **Adjournment**

President Jante entertained a motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of Monday, December 15th, 2025, at 8:29 PM. So Moved: Commissioner Brueck, Second: Commissioner Corrigan. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.



Secretary
Board of Park Commissioners

Date:

1/20/2026



President
Board of Park Commissioners

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1/20/26