

MINUTES OF THE ITASCA PARK DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

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Call to Order: The regular board meeting for February 16, 2026, was called to order by Mrs. Aiani at 6:02 P.M.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kompanowski, Commissioner; Mr. McClellan, Vice President; Mr. Craven, Commissioner; Mr. Hansen, Commissioner; and Mrs. Aiani, President.

Also Present: Mrs. Leno, Executive Director; Mr. Kinsinger, Superintendent IT, HR and Finance; Mr. Alexander, Superintendent, Buildings & Parks; Mrs. Medina, Superintendent of Marketing and Communications; and Mr. Williams, Superintendent of Recreation.

Minutes:

Mr. McClellan made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2026, seconded by Mr. Hansen. Mr. Craven stated that on page 3 paragraph 4 form should be from.

All were in favor of approving the amended minutes for January 12, 2026.

Closed session minutes:

Mr. Craven made a motion to release the closed session meeting minutes from January 21, 2019, seconded by Mr. McClellan

All were in favor of releasing the closed session meeting minutes from January 21, 2019.

Citizens to Be Heard: None

Accounts Payable: Mr. Kompanowski made a motion to approve the accounts payable list dated January 2026, in the amount of \$1,562,339.12, and credit card refunds for the same period in the amount of \$9,312.50, seconded by Mr. Craven.

Mr. McClellan inquired on page 6, check #35688 for \$6,075.00 for Weblinx. Staff advised that this is for the new web design phase 3.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Mr. Kompanowski, Mr. McClellan, Mr. Craven, Mr. Hansen and Mrs. Aiani. Nays – None Motion Passed

Mr. McClellan made a motion to approve the payroll distribution for the month of January 2026, including wages, payroll tax liabilities, and agency payments in the amount of \$159,955.07, seconded by Mr. Kompanowski.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Mr. Kompanowski, Mr. McClellan, Mr. Craven, Mr. Hansen, and Mrs. Aiani. Nays-None Motion Passed

Financial Report: Mr. Kinsinger reviewed with the Board the Itasca Park District Fund Balance Report for January 31, 2026.

Tax Collection: 99.52% of expected taxes have been collected.

Corporate Fund: The Corporate Fund is on target.

Capital Fund: The Capital Fund is on target.

As of January 31, 2026, the Cash on Hand Fund Balance is \$5,712,935.15. The 2025/2026 Program Net is \$953,535.78. The 2025/2026 Budget Net is \$991,665.50.

Mr. Kinsinger stated that a new phone system and camera system are being installed in the park district. These purchases will be reflected in the March statements. Mr. Craven inquired why we are not getting past the budgeted net in the rec programming. Mr. Craven asked is it one program. Mr. Kinsinger advised it is not one program per say, but overall, we are hitting our targets as a whole.

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Parks & Maintenance: Mr. Alexander reviewed a verbal report with the Board.

Noe Cruz is in his third week of work and has been a great addition to the team.

Pool – 70 working days until opening day.

Museum is quiet.

Rec Center – Parks helped move the current gymnastic spring floor, tumble track, vault and mats to the south side of the gym.

Nature Center – Parks will be removing the trees slated for removal in March. McGinity completed the burn.

Softball Complex – The ice rink was open for 15 days this season.

Winter Wonderland is finally removed. Some stakes, signs are weights are still there because the ground is frozen.

Superintendent of Marketing and Communications: Mrs. Medina reviewed her report with the Board.

Program Guide: The summer camp and early childhood newsletter is on its way to residents' homes, the goal to push early camp registration, reach early childhood parents for the upcoming school year and promote early bird pool pass sales with the flash sale that proved highly successful last year. The summer program guide process has begun, and staff are awaiting the first layout for revisions, it will be new staff's first full round of revisions and programs submittal, but staff has already been training with smaller projects anticipating a smooth review.

Congratulations to Mrs. Aiani, Ms. Leno, and Mrs. Medina on their awards at Conference. There was a miscalculation of a marketing award where Wheeling was not counted and should have won which would bump Downers Grove to second and Itasca to third place.

Phase two of the website is underway, but we had a snag with our API pulling information from RecTrac to the new website. The integration is now working, and we should receive a proof next week. We have been developing new pages such as FAQs.

We are obtaining quotes for a wall in the IGC Center to display images of past participants and events.

We are looking to add a tablet at the front desk to assist with translating for patrons who are non-English speakers.

Obtaining quotes for increase in SEO due to the loss of the old website.

Superintendent of Recreation Report: Mr. Williams reviewed the report with the Board.

- All Star Halo Cheer Team placed first.
- Tumbling Team won the Sectional Championship and will be attending State.
- Thank you to Mr. Alexander and the Parks Department for everything during the construction.
- Shout out to Mr. Scarpinato for moving the WIBA games due to the expansion.
- 2025 DuPage County Marine Toys for Tots collected 55,445 toys for Christmas gifts.
- Winterfest had 450 people attend with an ice sculptor, dog sleds, and crafts.

Administration: Mrs. Leno reviewed the report with the Board.

- Congressional Community Project Funding Request – Received a call from Raja's office and a grant for \$250,000 has been approved. Staff have not received any other details or information at this time.
- DCEO Grant – Staff received the approved and final grant agreement on January 28th, for the \$75K (2019, Cullerton) Member Initiative Grant to fund the 2024 elevator modernization project. This will be a reimbursement, since the project has already been completed. Staff await more information from our assigned grant administrator.
- Country Club Park – As \$800K OSLAD Grant Project was submitted on September 30th for a request for \$400K. Project funding was not granted for this OSLAD Cycle. Staff will review the project to determine how best to move forward, budget and timelines of a future scaled back project.
- Washington Park Drainage – the village is installing drainage on the south side of the park (east-west). The project began early November and has been halted due to the holidays and other Village projects. Work should start up with the Spring weather.

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- Itasca School District 10 – Two basketball hoops and a split rail fence will be installed at Benson. The hoops will be installed the week of February 16th. A discussion was held regarding replacing the snow fencing with a split-level fence to help deter damage to the grass.
- Holladay Developer Impact Fees – No update from the Village.
- New FT Staff Announcement: Noe Cruz, Park Laborer – formally of the Addison Park District.
- 2026 Gold Medal – Staff will be submitting the Gold Medal Application in March.
- Distinguished Agency – Staff will begin this two year process this year.

Usher Park OSLAD Grant Project

There are a few punch list items for Spring. With the lack of turf establishment, the exterior park fence will be kept in-tact until May. The district will give its first of two \$150K commitment payment to the Village towards the end of FY25/26. Staff will be contacting the Village to discuss a ribbon cutting in the Spring for this OSLAD Project.

Springbrook Nature Center OSLAD Grant Project

- Permitting has been secured for the project.
- Wetland work began the week of January 19th, with a burn scheduled for February 16th which went well.
- The original shelter contract was cancelled, and Team Reil has found a different shelter to purchase. The engineers are confirming it will work and what the needed details are and if there are increased dollars due to footings, etc. Staff do not have an established timeline for the shelter and site work.

Recreation Center Expansion Project

- The project is moving along on schedule and within budget.
- Tentative Timeline:
 - o Week of February 11th – all gymnastics moved to the south side of large gym
 - o Week of February 16th – structural reinforcement, flooring and base install, painting, lighting, etc.
 - o Week of March 2nd – install of new gymnastics equipment
 - o **Grand Re-Opening Date – March 8th, 15th, or 19th-22nd**

RFBS/Softball Complex OSLAD Project Phase II

- Staff submitted the paperwork to the auditors, and we are waiting for the final approval to submit to the IDNR for reimbursement.
- Staff finalized the revised easement agreement with DuPage County and are working on the final revised agreement with Spring Lake.

Park District – Village Intergovernmental Agreements

IGA – First Amendment for Land Usage at Peacock Park completed
IGA – First Addendum for Depot Parking Lot & Park Grounds Maintenance completed
IGA – Waterpark Overflow Parking and Water Detention Area for Village Hall completed
MOU – Community Outreach and Special Events
MOU – Winter Wonderland
IGA – Addendum to the 2009 Historical Depot Museum Agreement
IGA – Liability and Joint Cooperation – delayed for Village New Insurance Pool to Review

Addison Township has been sending a representative to the last several meetings. It is nice to see that representation.

2026 Itasca Intergovernmental Committee Meetings

April 6th - 5:00pm
May 11th - Shape of Itasca @ 7:00pm
June 1st - 5:00pm
August 3rd - 5:00pm
October 5th - 5:00pm
December 7th - 5:00pm

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Itasca Park District

February Board Meeting	Monday, February 16 th
Legislative Breakfast in Carol Stream	Friday, March 6 th
Grand Opening of IGC Center	March TBD
March Board Meeting	Monday, March 16 th
Retirement Celebration – Sandy Harris	Thursday, April 16 th
April Board Meeting	Monday, April 20 th – Move to April 27 th ?

The Village is working on their budget. We sent a request for special events and a report regarding special events. Dollar amounts were also sent to the Village if they wanted to replace the steps to the outlook at the Nature Center. The materials are anywhere between \$6,000.00 to \$10,000.00. The park district would provide the labor under the direction for Mr. Alexander. A request was also submitted for \$25,000.00 for Winter Wonderland. \$5,000.00 would be for light pole fixtures and \$20,000.00 would be for additional displays. Dollar amounts were also sent to the Village for proposed budgeting to maintain the wetlands at the Nature Center.

NEDSRA – Mrs. Leno reviewed the report with the Board.

Keith Knautz of the Village of Glendale Heights will be retiring in June. NEDSRA is bidding out with the Addison Park District to make improvements in the gymnasium and the track.

Old Business: None

New Business: a) Resolution #1 - 2026 – River Sweep Proclamation

Mr. Craven made a motion to approve Resolution #1 – 2026 – River Sweep Proclamation, seconded by Mr. Kompanowski.

All were in favor of approving Resolution #1-2026 River Sweep Proclamation.

b) Itasca Park District PT Wage Scale – Effective May 1, 2026

Mr. McClellan made a motion to approve the Itasca Park District PT Wage Scale – Effective May 1, 2026, seconded by Mr. Hansen.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Mr. Kompanowski, Mr. McClellan, Mr. Craven, Mr. Hansen, and Mrs. Aiani. Nays-None Motion Passed

c) 2026 Itasca Waterpark Fees & Charges

Mr. Craven made a motion to approve the 2026 Itasca Waterpark Fees & Charges, seconded by Mr. Kompanowski.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Mr. Kompanowski, Mr. McClellan, Mr. Craven, Mr. Hansen, and Mrs. Aiani. Nays-None Motion Passed

d) 2026 Medinah Park District Pool Fees

Mr. McClellan made a motion to approve the agreement with the Medinah Park District to offer Medinah Park District Residents discounted 2026 Itasca Waterpark Season Passes, seconded by Mr. Hansen.

All were in favor of approving the agreement with the Medinah Park District to offer Medinah Park District Residents discounted 2026 Itasca Waterpark Season Passes.

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e) District-Wide Access Audit and Transition Plan

Mr. Craven made a motion to support the Executive Director in executing a contract with WT Group AEC for a District Wide Access Audit and Transition Plan, seconded by Mr. McClellan.

All were in favor of supporting the Executive Director executing a contract with WT Group AED for a District Wide Access Audit and Transition Plan.

Matters from Executive Director: Eddie Peccia's funeral is tomorrow, February 17th at 10:00 am at St. Peters.

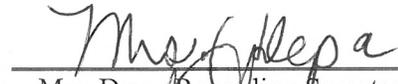
Matters from Commissioners: Mrs. Aiani asked when sexual harassment is due. Mrs. Aiani thanked Mrs. Leno for the nomination, and to Mrs. Medina for all the work she did, and staff for all the support.

Closed Session: None

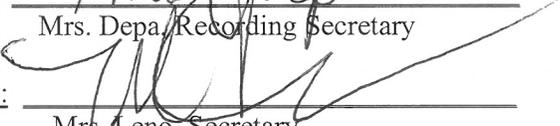
Mr. Craven made a motion to adjourn at 7:56 P. M., seconded by Mr. McClellan.

All were in favor of adjourning the meeting at 7:56 P. M.

Minutes Prepared by:


Mrs. Depa, Recording Secretary

Minutes Submitted by:


Mrs. Leno, Secretary