

Minutes of the Board of Commissioners

Tinley Park-Park District

Tinley Park, Illinois

Held on January 26, 2026

The Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Tinley Park-Park District, scheduled to be held in the Rickerson Meeting Room of the Bettenhausen Recreation Building on January 26, 2026, was called to order by Commissioner O'Donovan at 6:00 pm.

Commissioners Present: Lisa Butler
Bernie O'Boyle
Lisa O'Donovan
Ashley Rubino

Commissioners Absent: Marie Ryan

Others Present: Shawn Roby, Executive Director
Ryan Veldman, Superintendent of Parks
Mandi Vinson, Facilities Manager
Patricia Peccia, Business Manager
Meghan Fenlon, Superintendent of Recreation
Mike Hayes, Attorney
Kelly Jones, Board Secretary

Additions, Corrections or Deletions to Agenda:

None

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Mayor Mike Glotz asked if something triggered the changes to the Board Manual.

Staff Reports:

Executive Director, Shawn Roby, gave the Staff Reports.

The Board Manual updates and additions:

- Additional policies and updates will continue to be added, and the Board Manual will be brought back for full re-approval as a complete document at a future date.
- These changes were not prompted by a specific incident. The Park District's insurance provider identified that certain existing procedures were not reflected in the Board Manual as formal policies

Resolutions:

- Resolution 26-R-02 authorizes the retention of certain Executive Session minutes.
- Resolution 20-R-03 authorizes staff to enter into an agreement with the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative (NIMEC). The Park District has purchased energy through NIMEC at a discounted rate since 2006. This resolution authorizes the Executive Director, or the Business Manager if the Executive Director is unavailable, to execute the agreement on March 11, 2026.
- Resolutions 26-R-04 and 26-R-05 authorize the renewal of the weed control and fertilizer contracts. When the Park District entered into these contracts three years ago, the agreements allowed a one-time renewal, provided the vendors were willing to hold their pricing. C&T Lawncare and Forever Green have agreed to maintain their current pricing, so the Park District will renew both contracts for an additional three years. The District will then rebid the services once the renewal term ends.

Other:

- Our recreation software, RecTrac, was upgraded to the Recreation Management Hosted service. The transition went very well.
- The updated Board Meeting Schedule has been posted online in accordance with Open Meetings Act requirements.
- Mr. Roby thanked the Board of Commissioners for attending the January 17, 2026, Special Meeting and Board Retreat. He noted the strong participation by all, and that productive discussions were held regarding the agency's direction and future capital planning.

Approval of consent agenda items

Commissioner Rubino moved to approve the consent agenda items seconded by Commissioner O'Boyle and carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Items Approved:

- a. Minutes of the December 17, 2025, Regular Meeting
- b. Minutes of the January 17, 2026, Special Meeting
- c. Summary of Funds for the period of December 18, 2025 – January 7, 2026, in the amount of \$469,544.25
- d. Summary of Funds for the period of January 8, 2026 – January 21, 2026, in the amount of \$479,066.78
- e. Resolution 26-R-01 Board Manual Updates and Additions
 - i. Organization Chart – Update
 - ii. Succession Plan – Update – Renamed to Chain of Authority Policy
 - iii. Behavior Policy – Update
 - iv. Boundary Policy – Add
 - v. Electronic Communication with Minors and Vulnerable Adults – Add
- f. Resolution 26-R-02 Authorizing the Retaining of Certain Executive Session Minutes
- g. Resolution 26-R-03 Approval for Staff to Enter into Agreement with NIMEC (Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative) Lowest Bidder
- h. Resolution 26-R-04 Renewal Weed Control 3-year service C&T Lawn and Landscape \$108,774
- i. Resolution 26-R-05 Renewal Fertilizer 3-year Service Contract Forever Green Lawncare \$100,800

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

None

Public Comments-Non Agenda Items:

Tom Roesner spoke of the importance of historical items and saving pictures. He also spoke of the importance of volunteering.

Village Trustee Shaw read email exchanges between the President of the Bulldogs Athletic Organization, Joe Partacz and Tinley Park-Park District Executive Director, Shawn Roby, about the installation of AEDs in the parks.

A resident stated his dad and other community members started the BYAC, which later became the Bobcats, in his backyard. He said someone died and the park district could have bought AEDs instead of signs at the Mental Health Center.

Mayor, Mike Glotz stated the signs at the Tinley Park Mental Health Center exclude Lisa Butler's name and include past commissioner Don Cuba.

Mayor, Mike Glotz stated Mr. Petry's work product was not shared with the board at the board retreat. He stated the board retreat was a total waste of time.

Mayor, Mike Glotz spoke of the mental health center property, Representative Rita, Senator Hastings and the breakdown of communication between the park district and the village.

Commissioner's Comments:

Commissioner O'Boyle thanked the staff for the longevity meeting. He stated it was meaningful and very important to acknowledge the staff.

Commissioner O'Donovan thanked the staff and especially the Parks department for keeping the sidewalks and parking lot plowed, salted and shoveled. She also congratulated the staff celebrating their longevity.

Commissioner O'Donovan addressed the public comments:

AEDs: There is significantly more involved with AEDs than simply placing them in parks. When the Village awarded AEDs to community organizations, it also adopted a resolution stating that the Village would not be liable for them. The Park District is currently engaged in an ongoing discussion about how to implement AEDs in parks responsibly and how to support affiliate groups with the liability that accompanies their use. This includes coordination with the Park District's attorneys and insurance provider.

AEDs are most commonly located in facilities such as schools, park districts, and police stations, and their successful use depends on appropriate training and oversight. The Park District is evaluating how to provide assistance in training so AEDs can be used effectively in the event of an emergency.

Commissioner O'Donovan shared that her husband underwent open-heart surgery at age 39, and she expressed that she fully understands the concern and responsibility involved. She added that the Board continues to have ongoing conversations about how to make AEDs work in the community so they are available in the event of an emergency, while also noting that everyone hopes such a tragedy never occurs again.

Mental Health Center Property: Commissioner O'Donovan stated that she has spoken with Commissioner Butler about the signs at the Mental Health Center and the intention moving forward. Commissioner O'Donovan stated they are happy to have Commissioner Butler on the team and appreciate her ideas.

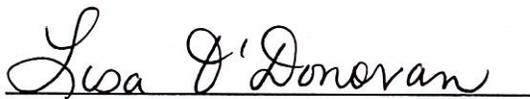
Commissioner O'Donovan stated the Park District has tried numerous times to sit down with the Village to address concerns, Commissioner O'Donovan reviewed the timeline from January 2022-the present, highlighting the many times the Park District attempted to meet to discuss the property and were rejected by Village officials each time.

Commissioner O'Donovan encourages anyone to FOIA the emails between the Village and the Park District. The Park District has always been willing and is still willing to sit down with the Village. However, the Park District wants to meet with the whole Village Board and the whole Park District board in an open forum where the public can attend. Commissioner O'Donovan stated let's make it open, and let's sit down and talk about this, let's have a conversation.

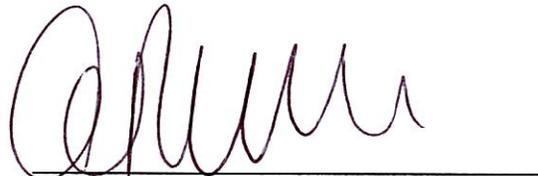
Commissioner Rubino stated for the record that she has never been involved in any meeting with CMS on behalf of the Tinley Park-Park District.

Adjourn

Commissioner Rubino moved to adjourn to the February 23, 2026, regular meeting seconded by Commissioner O'Boyle and carried by a unanimous roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:33pm.



President



Secretary

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