

Minutes of the Board of Commissioners

Tinley Park-Park District

Tinley Park, Illinois

Held on April 20, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Tinley Park-Park District scheduled to be held in the Rickerson Meeting Room of the Bettenhausen Recreation Center on April 20, 2026, was called to order by Commissioner O'Donovan at 6:00pm.

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

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

Additions, Clarifications, Corrections or Deletions to Agenda

None

Public Comments on Agenda Items

none

## Staff Reports

### Executive Director, Shawn Roby reported on:

- The approval of the updated board policy manual.
- The replacement of the Fitness Zone.
- VFD purchase and installation at the waterpark lazy river.
- The purchase of a dump truck.
- Energy Efficient Lighting upgrades in the "A" wing of the Bettenhausen Recreation Ctr.
- Surplus ordinance.
- District 146 intergovernmental agreement- both parties to update.
- An agreement with Bobcats for dugout roofs.
- Tinley Junction will open for the season on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Summer Brochure registration starts May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- White Water Canyon opens on May 30<sup>th</sup>.
- ADA transition plan update.

### Superintendent of Recreation, Meghan Fenlon reported on:

- A sensory room will be built at the Bettenhausen Recreation Center that will be called the Calm Cabin. Families and individuals will be able to rent time in the staffed room to do sensory deregulation. There will be massage chairs, floor tiles, tactile displays, special lighting, special sounds, and interactive bubble features. It will be opening at the beginning of July. The construction of the Calm Cabin will take approximately 2 weeks. It will have set times for reservations.

### Superintendent of Parks, Ryan Veldman reported on:

-Ryan Veldman spoke with a resident that is completing her doctoral degree, that had an idea for a community garden geared towards helping people with dementia. Research shows community gardens can slow the progress of dementia. She suggested a project like this for the property and would like to be involved when the Park District reaches the developmental stage of the property. The Commissioners appreciated her ideas and her detailed report, and they will stay in touch with her.

-Ryan Veldman gave an update on the property:

- Building 1 (the administration building) is completely down.
- Building 2 & 3 are down.
- They are working to clear and remove the foundations of buildings 1, 2, & 3.
- Debris is being processed and sorted.
- The lime pits have been abated and removed as well as a 3-million-gallon underwater reservoir, and it has all been leveled.
- Building 4 will be next. But focus is on cleaning up foundations first.

Commissioner O'Donovan reminded everyone that all information from the Remediate 280 meetings, as well as pictures and reports, are posted on the Tinley Park-Park District website.

#### Approval of consent agenda items

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

#### Items approved:

- a. Minutes of the March 16, 2026, Regular meeting.
- b. Summary of Funds for the period of March 19, 2026 – April 1, 2026, in the amount of \$347,350.38.
- c. Summary of Funds for the period of April 2, 2026 – April 15, 2026, in the amount of \$523,010.45.
- d. Resolution 26-R-09 approve updated Board Policy Manual.
- e. Resolution 26-R-10 Fitness Zone Replacement from Kompan Inc. through Omnia contract 2017001135 for \$390,580.26.
- f. Resolution 26-R-11 VFD purchase and install from Landmark Aquatic through Buyboard contract 701-23 for \$39,629.00.
- g. Resolution 26-R-12 Vehicle purchase from Sutton Ford Inc. through SPC contract 222 for \$66,994.00.
- h. Resolution 26-R-13 Lighting upgrades from Equallis Group utilizing Sharlen Electric through EZIQC contract COG-2131-EC1-B for \$41,271.30.
- i. Surplus Ordinance 26-O-03.
- j. Resolution 26-R-14 District 146 Intergovernmental Agreement.
- k. Resolution 26-R-15 Approve Director to enter into Agreement with Bobcats Dugout Roofs.

### Unfinished Business

None

### New Business

Commissioner Rubino moved to approve Ordinance 26-O-02 Approval of the 2026-2027 Budget and Appropriations Ordinance seconded by Commissioner Ryan and carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

### Public Comment- Non-Agenda Items

-Residents living behind the retention basin at Buedingen Park expressed concerns about the appearance and condition of the area, including weeds, mud, dead trees, open or broken drain covers, and moved drainage grates. They also raised safety concerns regarding bikes, electric bikes, and small motorcycles being used throughout the park, including on walking paths, and noted that riders have created jumps with park materials and caused damage. Residents stated that the activity has created a dangerous situation for park users and noted the lack of signage prohibiting motorized vehicles. They provided photos of the park conditions and thanked the commissioners for listening to their concerns.

-Resident, Tom Roesner recommended that the world should listen to the advice on his chocolate wrapper and inhale the good and exhale the bad. He commented on how loyal the Tinley Park-Park District is. He commented on how much he likes the Summer Brochure, and he recommends everyone visit the Vogt Visual Art Center and check out the monthly gallery shows.

-Mike Glotz commented on removing the signs in the park that do not include Lisa Butler's name, the Remediate 280 Committee member's residency, the Park District's policies and the Park District's lawyer, Burt Odelson.

Commissioner O'Donovan moved to approve an additional one minute for Mike Glotz which was carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

### Commissioner's Comments

Commissioner O'Boyle thanked Meghan Fenlon for her work on the Calm Cabin. He also thanked the staff for all they do. He also thanked Ryan Veldman for his hard work at the property and in the parks.

Commissioner O'Donovan thanked the staff for their work on the Summer brochure. She also thanked the staff for the budget and for all the time and effort put in to make sure we stay on budget for this next fiscal year. She stated we are grateful that we have not had to ask for more money from our taxpayers, and we appreciate the fact that we can still offer the same quality of products with our current budget.

Commissioner Ryan thanked the staff for all they do.

Commissioner O'Donovan stated that a "notice of possible quorum" has been added to the Remediate 280 Committee Meetings agenda, so that any board member can attend the Remediate 280 meetings and speak without violating the Open Meeting Act.

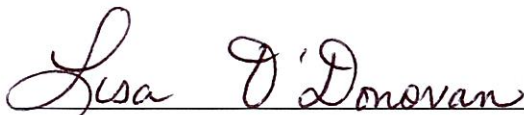
Commissioner Butler stated that she asked for the signs without her name, to be taken down. She stated the signs should not have the Commissioner's names on them because it is political.

Commissioner O'Donovan stated there is a plan going forward with new signs in the works, to replace the old signs.

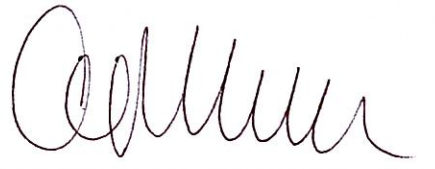
Commissioner Ryan stated it is important for the signs to have the Commissioner's names on them, so the residents know who the Commissioners are and it is important that Lisa Butler's name be on the signs too.

Adjourn

Commissioner Ryan moved to adjourn to the May 18, 2026, regular meeting seconded by Commissioner Rubino and carried by a unanimous roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.



President



Secretary