

MINUTES
REGULAR PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT of La GRANGE PARK
1501 BARNSDALE ROAD, La GRANGE PARK, ILLINOIS
July 20, 2026 - 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order & Roll Call:

President Corte called the July 20, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Community Park District Board of Park Commissioners to order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners present were Sauer, Zuck, Ogden and Marusic. Additionally present were: Executive Director, Jessica Cannaday; Superintendent of Parks, Sara Earhart; Superintendent of Recreation, Juan Montes, and Manager of Marketing and Special Events, Susan Zander as Recording Secretary.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Park District Mission: The Community Park District of La Grange Park supports a healthy and inclusive community by positively impacting physical, social, emotional, and environmental well-being.

Open Forum

Residents Bill Novak and Robin addressed the Board and presented a petition requesting the removal of the sound mitigation barriers at Yena Park.

Resident Khan Josephson commented on the bee houses at Memorial Park and shared her support for relocating the sound mitigation barriers to the pickleball courts at Memorial Park should the Yena Park barriers be removed.

4. Approval of the July 20, 2026 Agenda

Commissioner Ogden made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Marusic. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Due to an error in the agenda publication, all items listed under Unfinished Business and New Business will be ratified at the August 10, 2026 meeting.

5. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

a. June 15, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Zuck made a motion to approve the June 15 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Sauer. President Corte abstained. The motion passed by voice vote.

6. Communications/Proclamations/Presentations

President Corte shared the news of the birth of his grandchildren, Oliver Michael Corte, born July 15, and Logan Matthew Ferrari Corte, born July 18.

7. Staff Recognition – The Board recognized the recent passing of longtime staff member Darla Goudeau. Darla's contributions to the Park District included her role in the founding and development of Ready Teddy and Footlight Players.

8. Staff Reports

a. Executive Report

Executive Director Cannaday presented her report. She shared that additional funding will be needed for architectural services related to lobby furnishings, which will be brought forward for Board consideration at a future meeting. She also reported that construction of the outdoor children's play area is scheduled to begin following the conclusion of fall ball activities. Executive Director Cannaday invited Board members to attend the Village's upcoming State of the Village event.

b. Recreation Report

i. Superintendent of Recreation

Superintendent of Recreation Juan Montes presented the Recreation Report. He discussed adjustments made to summer activities due to air quality alerts and shared that Community Park Fitness recently reached its 1,000th membership milestone.

ii. Marketing and Events Manager

iii. Recreation Manager

c. Parks Report

Superintendent of Parks Sara Earhart presented her report. President Corte inquired about the anticipated repair timeline for the turf at the Stone Monroe tennis courts. Superintendent Earhart stated that staff are awaiting training on the proper repair process so they can complete the necessary maintenance in-house.

d. Financial Reports

Executive Director Cannaday presented the Financial Report. There were no questions.

9. Approve Monthly Disbursements

Commissioner Ogden made a motion to approve the monthly disbursements in the amount of \$1,768,072.66 seconded by Commissioner Zuck. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

10. Committee Reports

11. Unfinished Business

a. Pickleball Sound Mitigation

Discussion was held regarding the sound mitigation system at Yena Park. Board members expressed the need for additional discussion with residents who are most directly impacted by the pickleball court noise. The matter was tabled until the next Board meeting to allow for further consideration and community input.

- b. HVAC – Contract with Maxson Heating and Air Conditioning in an amount not to exceed \$31,203.

Discussion was held regarding HVAC-related items. Questions from the Board were addressed and answered by staff. Commissioner Ogden made a motion to approve the contract with Maxson Heating and Air Conditioning in an amount not to exceed \$31,203. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

12. New Business

- a. Strike a Chord Benefit Concert at Memorial Park

A representative from the Strike a Chord Benefit Concert attended the meeting and requested consideration of a discount on rental fees associated with the event at Memorial Park. The request was discussed by the Board. Commissioner Ogden made a motion to approve waving the fees on the rental, seconded by Commissioner Zuck. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- b. 5-year lease with Direct Fitness Solutions for a total cost of \$54,815 or \$1,135.45 per month

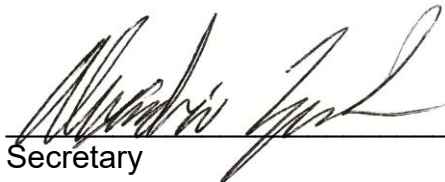
Commissioner Sauer made a motion to approve a 5-year lease with Direct Fitness Solutions for a total cost of \$54,815, seconded by Commissioner Marusic. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

13. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, August 10, 2026 at 6:30pm

14. Adjournment

At 7:25 p.m., Commissioner Marusic made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Zuck. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Approved August 10, 2026



Secretary