

MINUTES
REGULAR PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT of La GRANGE PARK
1501 BARNSDALE ROAD, La GRANGE PARK, ILLINOIS
March 9, 2026 - 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order & Roll Call:
President Corte called the March 9, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Community Park District Board of Park Commissioners to order at 6:30pm. Commissioners present were Sauer, Zuck, and Marusic. Commissioner Ogden was absent. Additionally present were: Executive Director, Jessica Cannaday; Superintendent of Parks, Sara Earhart; Superintendent of Recreation, Juan Montes; and Financial Consultant, Nicole Giddens.
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.
4. Open Forum
None
5. Approval of the March 9, 2026 Agenda
Commissioner Zuck made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Sauer. Commissioner Marusic asked if we had to amend the agenda to state that Executive Session was for OMA 2(c)(1) only. Clarification was provided that the reason for Executive Session would be recorded in the minutes. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Absent: Commissioner Ogden.
6. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
 - a. February 9, 2026
Commissioner Sauer made a motion to approve the February 9, 2026 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Zuck. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Absent: Commissioner Ogden.
7. Communications/Proclamations/Presentations:
None
8. Staff Recognition
None
9. Staff Reports
 - a. Executive Report
Executive Director Cannaday added to her written report that she met with residents of Robinhood Park to discuss park improvements and amenities. There were no questions.

- b. Recreation Report
 - i. Superintendent of Recreation
 - ii. Marketing and Events Manager
 - iii. Recreation Manager
President Corte asked for clarification as to the location of Peter Pan the Musical. Staff stated the performance would be located at Park Jr. High.
 - iv. Fitness
- c. Parks Report
Commissioner Zuck asked about the fencing going up at Memorial Park. Superintendent Earhart clarified that the fence panel is removed every year to protect users of the sled hill and is being replaced in time for baseball season.
- d. Financial Reports
No questions were asked.

10. Approve Monthly Disbursements

Commissioner Zuck made a motion to approve the monthly disbursements in the amount of \$403,252.55, seconded by Commissioner Marusic. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Absent: Commissioner Ogden.

11. Committee Reports

12. Unfinished Business

- a. Pickleball Sound Mitigation Project
Commissioner Marusic made a motion to table this item, seconded by Commissioner Zuck. During discussion, Commissioner Zuck requested additional information regarding wind rating. Commissioner Marusic requested additional information regarding other systems. The motion to table passed unanimously by voice vote. Absent: Commissioner Ogden.

13. New Business

- a. Cub Scout Rental Fee Waiver
Commissioner Marusic made a motion to waive the rental fee for the Cub Scouts, seconded by Sheri Sauer. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Absent: Commissioner Ogden.
- b. Budget Projections
Executive Director Cannaday presented the budget projections for FYE 2026. Questions were asked and answered.
- c. Personnel Policy Manual
Executive Director Cannaday stated that the district was revising the personnel policy manual to ensure it was compliant with all employment laws. She asked if the board was amenable to replacing vacation time for full time employees with "personal time." The board concurred. She asked if the board was amenable to offering more PTO for part time employees that required by the Cook County law. Discussion ensued and the board concurred that staff should not lose existing benefits. Cannaday asked if the board was amenable to eliminating the payout for sick leave as it was part of an antiquated policy that not longer applied to any existing staff. The board concurred. Cannaday stated that she would provided the

revisions well prior to the April meeting for the board to review. Goal to approve the updated manual is April.

d. Fitness Court

Commissioner Zuck made a motion to authorize staff to execute agreements with Level Up Retail Services and the National Fitness Campaign to repair the Fitness court in an amount not to exceed \$27,878. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sauer. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Absent: Commissioner Ogden.

e. IAPD Legislative Conference

Commissioner Sauer made a motion to approve up to \$550 in travel expenses for Commissioners Marusic and Zuck to attend the IAPD Legislative Reception and Conference May 5 and 6. The motion was seconded by President Corte and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Absent: Commissioner Ogden.

14. Executive Session

At 8:06pm, Commissioner Zuck made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act under Section 2(c)(1) to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, seconded by Commissioner Marusic. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Absent: Commissioner Ogden.

15. Reconvene Open Session

At 8:13pm President Corte reconvened the Regular Meeting. Present were Commissioners Sauer, Zuck and Marusic. Additionally present was Executive Director, Jessica Cannaday.

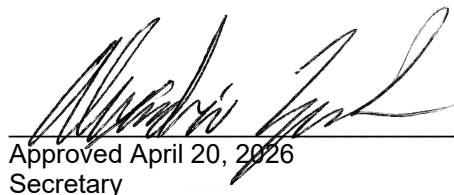
16. Potential Action on Items Discussed in Executive Session

Commissioner Marusic made a motion to approve the allocation and distribution of \$11,200 in staff bonuses at the discretion of the Executive Director. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sauer and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Absent: Commissioner Ogden.

17. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, April 13, 2026 at 6:30pm

18. Adjournment

At 8:15pm, Commissioner Marusic made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Zuck. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.



Approved April 20, 2026
Secretary