

MINUTES
REGULAR PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT of La GRANGE PARK
1501 BARNSDALE ROAD, La GRANGE PARK, ILLINOIS
September 8, 2025 - 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

President Corte called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Present were Commissioners Marusic, Sauer and Zuck. Absent was Commissioner Ogden. Additionally present were Executive Director Jessica Cannaday, Marketing and Events Manager Susan Zander, Superintendent of Parks Sara Earhart, Preschool & Summer Camp Coordinator Tiffany Larocque, Lauterbach & Amen Financial Assistant Sam Crane and Marketing and Special Events Assistant Laura Raimondi as recorder.

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

Khanh Josephson was present to ask the district to limit the hours Pickleball can be played in Memorial Park as she lives directly across from the courts and stated the noise is disruptive. She also requested the district lock the courts and only allow the use of soft paddles.

Paul Nowak is a resident pickleball player. He says pickleball is a large community and fills the courts from dawn to dusk with the amount of players they have regularly. He says noise mitigation is likely needed.

Dan B is a resident pickleball player. He empathizes with the noise complaints and is very thankful for the use of the pickleball courts.

Mike Conlin is a resident who lives near the courts and believes the court hours should match construction hours.

Kyle Nowak, a resident pickleball player, suggested a thin sound barrier along the fences.

Joy Traeder, a resident pickleball player, agrees a sound barrier would help to mitigate noise.

Dawn Merrick, a resident early bird pickleball player believes the court times should meet the noise ordinance hours.

Denise Olsen, a longtime La Grange Park resident, asked for time restrictions and use of a sound barrier.

5. Approval of the September 8, 2025 Agenda

Commissioner Marusic made a motion to approve the September 8, 2025 Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Zuck. Motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

a. August 11, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Sauer made a motion to approve the August 11, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Marusic. Motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.

7. Communications/Proclamations/Presentations

8. Staff Recognition

a. Welcome Tiffany Larocque

Tiffany is our Preschool and Summer Camp Coordinator. Welcome Tiffany!

9. Staff Reports

a. Executive Report

Executive Director Jessica Cannaday presented her report. An update on the construction of Yena Park was provided. Several updates to the Meadowcrest property were highlighted and she discussed the Recreation Center expansion timeline.

b. Recreation Report

Superintendent of Recreation Juan Montes' report was presented.

c. Parks Report

Superintendent of Parks Sara Earhart presented her report.

d. Financial Reports

Lauterbach & Amen Financial Assistant Sam Crane presented the financial report.

10. Approve Monthly Disbursements

President Corte asked for a motion and a second to approve the Monthly Disbursements in the amount of \$320,332.58. Commissioner Zuck made a motion to approve seconded by Commissioner Sauer, motion was passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

11. Committee Reports

a. Sustainability – Urban Forestry Management Plan Review

Arbor Advocates held a meeting prior to the regular board meeting. Next meeting will be December 8th at 5:30 pm prior to the board meeting. The committee reviewed the Urban Forestry Management Plan.

12. Unfinished Business

13. New Business

a. Memorial Park Pickleball Courts

The board directed staff to post signage at the Memorial Park Pickleball Courts designating play to start at 7am. The board discussed that further mitigation will be considered after evaluating the impact of the limited hours.

b. Urban Forestry Management Plan Update

The board discussed the Urban Forestry Management Plan updates and commended Superintendent Earhart for accomplishing so much ahead of time.

14. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, October 13, 2025 at 6:30pm

15. Adjournment

President Corte called for the meeting to adjourn at 7:15 pm. Commissioner Marusic made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Zuck. Motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Secretary

Approved October 13, 2025