



SCHAUMBURG PARK DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

SCHAUMBURG PARK DISTRICT
235 EAST BEECH DRIVE
SCHAUMBURG, ILLINOIS

August 13, 2026

IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING THE CONDUCT OF THIS MEETING

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The meeting minutes reflect the means by which individuals participated in the meeting. Those physically present at the Schaumburg Park District's Jerry Handlon Administration Building are denoted by "PP". Those participating via electronic means only are denoted by "EM".

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Berg called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners present at the meeting included Commissioners Trudel (PP), Mayle (PP), Longueil (PP), Berg, Jr. (PP) and Schmidt (EM).

Schaumburg Park District staff present included Mr. LaFrenere (PP), Executive Director; Mr. O'Donnell (PP), Director of Finance & Administration; Mr. King (PP), Director of Parks and Planning; Mr. Ward (PP), Director of Operations; Mr. Parsons (PP), Director of Golf Operations; Mr. Sienkiewicz (PP), Director of Communications & Marketing; Ms. Mielitz (PP), Manager of Human Resources; Ms. Chapa (EM), Superintendent of Facility Operations; Mr. Gangler (PP), Superintendent of Recreation Facilities; Ms. Simross (PP), Superintendent of Recreation Facilities & Safety (PP); Mr. Louro (PP), Assistant Superintendent of Recreation Facilities & Fitness; Ms. Fuentes, Attorney; and Ms. Riddle (PP), Executive Assistant.

Members of the public included Rob Hager (PP), Rich Osten (PP), Joe Sabatino (PP) and Tim Ganas (PP).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Longueil, seconded by Commissioner Mayle, to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes:	Commissioners Longueil, Trudel, Mayle, Berg
Nays:	None
Absent:	Commissioner Schmidt

The motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

Heather Simross introduced Jason Louro, the new Assistant Superintendent of Recreation Facilities & Fitness of the Schaumburg Park District.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 9, 2026 REGULAR MEETING

It was moved by Commissioner Trudel, seconded by Commissioner Mayle, to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2026 regular meeting as presented.

Ayes:	Commissioners Longueil, Trudel, Mayle, Berg
Nays:	None
Absent:	Commissioner Schmidt

The motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mail

Mr. LaFrener stated that there were three notes received. The first was from a long-time resident who golfed for the first time at our golf course and was very complimentary on the overall experience. Another note was from a resident complimenting the entertainment acts at this year's Summer Breeze concerts that we partner with the Village, and a final note from SBA providing compliments on their annual golf outing.

Audience Comments

There were none.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Commissioner Mayle reported that the Finance Committee met this evening and reviewed the bill list, financial statements and the NWSRA assessment.

APPROVAL OF APPROVED & PREVIOUSLY PAID MAIN BILL LISTS

Commissioner Mayle reported that the Finance Committee met this evening and approved the following approved main bill list and previously paid main bill list:

General Fund	\$53,595.26
Recreation Fund	179,045.94
Liability Insurance	70,999.39
Internal Service Fund	170,098.54
Capital Projects	<u>180,364.72</u>
TOTAL APPROVED	<u>\$654,103.85</u>
General Fund	\$174,947.81
Recreation Fund	537,602.98
Audit	10,500.00
Liability Insurance	71,260.92
IMRF/Retirement	3,296.20
Internal Service	254,640.14
Debt Service	24,000.00
Capital Projects	<u>1,621,210.80</u>
TOTAL PAID	<u>\$2,697,458.85</u>

It was moved by Commissioner Longueil, seconded by Commissioner Mayle to approve the approved main bill list in the amount of \$654,103.85 and the previously paid main bill list in the amount of \$2,697,458.85 for a total of \$3,351,562.70 as presented.

Ayes: Commissioners Longueil, Trudel, Mayle, Berg
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Schmidt

The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ENGINEER BILL LIST

Commissioner Berg recused himself from approving the Engineer bill list and left the room at 6:40 p.m. as his firm has done work with Williams Architects on past projects and is currently working on projects outside of the Park District.

It was moved by Commissioner Trudel, seconded by Commissioner Longueil to approve the Engineer bill list in the amount of \$14,621.19.

Ayes: Commissioners Mayle, Longueil, and Trudel
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Schmidt
Recused: Commissioner Berg

The motion carried.

Commissioner Berg rejoined the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Joint Advisory Committee

Commissioner Trudel stated that the next Joint Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 6pm.

Village of Schaumburg Committees

Commissioners Mayle and Trudel attended the Airport Commission meeting and reported that the Hops and Props event is taking place on September 12.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Department Updates & Upcoming Events

Mr. LaFrenere expressed his sincere appreciation for both full-time and part-time staff, commending their outstanding teamwork across all departments in supporting our programs and events. He specifically cited yesterday's Links Cup, hosted by the Park Foundation, as a prime example of the positive difference our collective efforts make in the community. The event raises funds to help local residents who might otherwise be unable to participate in our programs. Mr. LaFrenere also congratulated the golf staff and Mr. Sienkiewicz for their excellent coordination of the Foundation's initiatives.

Mr. O'Donnell reported that the annual audit is proceeding smoothly. Staff have initiated discussions to renew the electrical supply agreement. July month-end close is currently underway. The IT department is working on configuring routers as part of the network upgrade. User testing is ongoing for the Brightly and Informacast systems, and staff are exploring tools to improve contract and agreement management. PCs are being deployed throughout the district to replace Thin Clients. Additionally, Mr. LaFrenere noted that conversations are ongoing regarding potential new recreation software options.

Mr. King reported that school sites are being cleaned up in preparation for the start of the new school year. Preschool equipment has been delivered to Pat Shephard, Bock, and Meineke. Parks and parking lots have been cleared following rain and mulch washouts. Staff have started work on this year's Septemberfest float. Ballfields are being prepared for SAA's fall baseball season. Olympic Park will host a national softball tournament this weekend. Staff continue to work on accreditation tasks and recently attended the annual luncheon with the Village of Schaumburg and District 54. A public open house was held for the Volkening Lake property, with one resident attending and providing feedback. The Collins School playground is ready for the school opening. Color coating of tennis courts and Lancer Creek wall repairs are underway as weather permits. Rain has delayed work on Field 10 at Olympic Park, so it will not be ready for SAA's Soccerfest, but alternate locations will be provided. Paving projects are ongoing, including the lower parking lot at the golf course.

Mr. Parsons reported that the golf course saw 12,661 rounds played in July, reflecting a 4% increase compared to July 2025. He praised Nick Yackle and his team for maintaining the course in excellent condition despite challenging weather with heavy rain and high temperatures. While August has started slower due to continued rain, there have been several notable achievements. Congratulations to Keith Donovan, our golf instructor, whose PGA junior league 17u all-star team won the Illinois sectionals and will advance to regionals. The 13u league is also positioned to qualify. Special recognition goes to Madeline Gutierrez, a sixteen-year-old student from Conant High School, who emerged as the Illinois Women's Open Champion. Staff are actively collaborating with outing coordinators for upcoming shotgun events. Practices for Schaumburg High School leagues have commenced, with matches scheduled to begin soon. The three 9 and Dine events were well-received, attracting a total of 60 participants. Several 9-hole leagues have extended their season due to rain delays. Aerification maintenance is currently being performed on select greens.

Mr. Sienkiewicz expressed his gratitude to all who contributed to the successful Links Cup golf outing for the Park Foundation, noting it was a meaningful event supporting a worthy cause. He announced that a new sign for the Spring Valley entrance has been ordered and will be installed soon. Giveaways are being prepared for the upcoming Septemberfest parade, and staff are actively working on promotional materials for fall programs and special events. Additionally, Mr. Sienkiewicz and Ms. Chapa met with Village representatives to coordinate communications focused on e-bike and scooter safety. He also thanked Colleen from the Parks department for participating in SBA's GMS and providing updates on ongoing projects.

Ms. Mielitz recognized the full-time service milestones of Diane Larson (5 years), Kelly Conte (10 years), Ed Christenson (30 years), and Adrian Magdaleno (5 years). On July 22, staff organized a part-time employee appreciation picnic at CRC/Water Works. National Parks and Recreation Professionals Day was celebrated on July 17, featuring a vendor who provided refreshing soft drinks. The annual ACA PCORI filing was completed this month. In July, the Wellness Committee held its Hydration Challenge and hosted an end-of-summer celebration at Volkening Lake. This week, the committee

arranged a pop-up Forest Therapy Walk at Spring Valley and is planning a pickleball event at Olympic Park for later in August.

Mr. Ward praised Ryan Gangler for his dedication at STP and congratulated him on reaching his 30-year service milestone next week. Spring Valley welcomed 34,000 patrons in July, hosting several successful special events, including Unplug Illinois Day. The swimming pools saw 23,000 visitors during the month. Our aquatics team achieved their third consecutive EXCEEDS perfect score and are preparing for their fourth and final audit, exemplifying the district's high standards. KASPER and early childhood staff are actively preparing for the upcoming school year, with enrollment numbers continuing to rise. Appreciation goes to the staff at The Sport Center and Olympic Park for their efforts in organizing athletic tournaments, as these venues maintain a strong regional draw with fall leagues filling up. In partnership with SBA, Lemonade Day was held, where 118 KASPER campers created 12 lemonade stands, fostering entrepreneurial skills. Thanks to everyone who participated in and supported the annual National Night Out event at Meineke Park. Upcoming projects include the ADA Transition Plan. Mr. Ward also expressed gratitude to all who assisted during the Water Works annual shutdown, noting the collaborative effort across departments. The MRC pool has extended its season for an additional weekend, and Bock pool will remain open as weather permits.

IAPD/IPRA Committee Updates

Commissioner Mayle stated that he and Commissioner Schmidt attended a Joint Conference Accreditation meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution for NWSRA Assessment (Memo #B26-131)

It was moved by Commissioner Mayle, seconded by Commissioner Longueil, to approve the 2027 fiscal year NWSRA assessment of \$741,031.50 and adopt Resolution 26-08-1P, the NWSRA Assessment Resolution as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Ayes: Commissioners Longueil, Trudel, Mayle, Berg
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Schmidt

Mr. LaFrene expressed his pride in the accomplishments of NWSRA over the past year, highlighting how the organization has proactively responded to the needs of our agency. He emphasized that this partnership is essential in fulfilling the needs of our community.

The motion carried.

Ordinance for the Disposal of Surplus Property (Memo #P26-133)

It was moved by Commissioner Trudel, seconded by Commissioner Longueil to approve the disposal of surplus equipment as presented and adopt Ordinance 26-08-2P, an ordinance authorizing the disposal of certain surplus property owned by the Schaumburg Park District.

Ayes: Commissioners Longueil, Trudel, Mayle, Berg
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Schmidt

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. LaFrenere stated there was no new business.

OTHER ITEMS

Mr. LaFrenere stated that there were no other items.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Longueil, seconded by Commissioner Mayle to adjourn the regular Park Board meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Ayes: Commissioners Longueil, Trudel, Mayle, Berg
Nays: None
Absent: Commissioner Schmidt

The motion carried.

By:  _____
Assistant Secretary



**SCHAUMBURG
PARK DISTRICT**

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A. Opening Items

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda

B. Presentations/Introductions

C. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Minutes of July 9, 2026, Regular Meeting

D. Communications

1. Mail
2. Audience Comments

E. Committee Reports

1. Finance Committee
2. Joint Advisory Committee
3. Village of Schaumburg Committees

F. Bill List

1. Approval of Approved & Previously Paid Main Bill List
2. Approval of Engineer Bill List

G. Information Items

1. Department Updates & Upcoming Events

2. IAPD/IPRA Committee Updates

H. Action Items

1. Resolution for NWSRA Assessment (Memo #B26-131)
2. Ordinance for Disposal of Surplus Property (Memo #P26-133)

I. New Business

J. Other Items

K. Adjournment

1. Adjourn the Meeting

Mission: The Schaumburg Park District is dedicated to serving the community by providing versatile leisure opportunities through enriching programs, quality facilities and environmental stewardship.



Sign-In Sheet

August 13, 2026

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