

# Devils Lake Park Board

## MINUTES

### Regular Board Meeting

February 24th, 2026

Present at this Regular Board Meeting were Commissioners Kale Stromme, Kelli Heilman, Peter Jerome, Mark Beighley and Jamie Beck. Also present was Superintendent Dennis Nybo, Office Manager Sarah Coenen, Dockside Manager Jeff Brusven, Golf Course Superintendent Andy Hokanson, Recreation and Concession Manager Josh Widmer and Parks & Facilities Manager Brent Schmitz. Tony Prozinski and Scott Faehnrich from Bravera Insurance were also present. Absent was Clubhouse Manager Rob McIvor.

President Beck called the regular meeting to order at 12:00 pm on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at Dockside Entertainment.

#### I. Minutes

Comm Jerome made a motion to approve the minutes from December January 20th as presented, seconded by Comm Stromme. All aye, motion carried.

#### II. Visitors

Tony Prozinski and Scott Faehnrich were present and presented on insurance coverage through Bravera Insurance.

Motion to switch coverage to Bravera motioned by Comm Stromme, seconded by Comm Beighley. All aye, motion carried.

#### III. Staff Reports

Josh Widmer: Josh reported mite jamboree went well for concessions. Rescheduled some coed and womens volleyball games due to storms. Registration for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade basketball camp open 3rd-6th grade volleyball starts next week.

Jeff Brusven: Jeff provided a written report. Jeff mentioned that walkers at Dockside were down due to Silver Sneakers requirements changing but are now coming back up with new insurance coverages. Bowling Leagues are going on now and we are booked for a couple of after prom parties.

Brent Schmitz: Brent provided the board with the requested information on what they do during their days. Burdick Arena is needing a couple shaft seals replaced, frozen pipes in the new showers in locker room. Bill Jerome needed some toilets replaced. Approval needed to purchase a new floor scrubber by fall, \$2500-\$4000. Approval needed to purchase a computer and printer for the shop so they don't need to come over here to use the computer, \$1500-\$2000 which includes adding internet.

Comm Stromme motioned to approve these purchases, seconded by Comm Heilman. Roll call vote, all aye. Motion carried.

Brent also requested approval for salary increase for Matt Beck now that his probationary period is up.

Comm Jerome motioned to approve the increase starting March 11<sup>th</sup>, seconded by Comm Stromme. Roll call, all aye except President Beck-abstained.

Comm Beighley questioned the speakers/sound system at the Burdick Arena, Superintendent Dennis had reached out for a quote and has not heard anything and will reach out again.

Andy Hokanson: Andy reported that he has the equipment maintenance completed at the Golf Course and is working on a couple of wood projects. He also reports that the cross-country trails are groomed and ready for use.

Dennis Nybo: Dennis provided a written report. Dennis reported that he will need approval to apply for grants. He is currently working on the 2026-2027 activity books and should have it done the beginning of April and registration will be open May 6<sup>th</sup>.

IV. Bills

Comm Jerome made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Comm Heilman. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried.

V. Treasurer's Report

Sarah provided a written report. Sarah reported there were some problems with some payments being made but everything has been adjusted since to stop issues going forward. The board mentioned they liked the reporting but was a lot of paper, will scan front/back next month.

VI. Old Business

Superintendent position- 1<sup>st</sup> round interviews were set up and a schedule was sent to the board members, Comm Heilman and Comm Stromme will be sitting in on the initial interviews along with Dennis Nybo, Mike Dunn, Alex Olson and Jason Wiberg. 2<sup>nd</sup> interviews will be set up with the applicants that are moved on who will then present to the board.

VII. New Business

A. Approval for grant applications- Dennis asked the board for approval of Destination Grant and Garrison Diversion Grant applications for new ballpark bleachers project which is about \$450,000. Discussion was also held regarding the pool project and needing the funds to complete, will look into Giving Hearts Day 2027 for donations.

Motion to approve grant applications made by Comm Jerome, seconded by Comm Heilman.

B. Authorization to purchase a new maintenance mower. Brent asked that he could purchase a new mower that is in the 2026 budget, quote was presented.

Motion to approve mower purchase made by Comm Jerome, seconded by Comm Heilman. Roll Call, all aye. Motion carried.

VIII. Commissioner Portfolios

Comm Jerome- would like that that new superintendent is aware of the pool repairs needed and look into more grants.

Comm Stromme- mentioned the door tint at Dockside, Jeff let him know it was already ordered.

Comm Heilman- Noted that out of towners really like the Bill Jerome Arena. Also would like more information on Giving Hearts Day.

A thank you letter was signed by the board members to show appreciation for the chairs/benches that were donated by the Devils Lake Airport.

The next regular meeting was set for March 26<sup>th</sup> at Noon.

Comm Jerome made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Comm Stromme. President Beck adjourned the meeting at 1:05 pm.

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Recording Clerk